A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Prerequisites: WRIT 131 Writing I or equivalent.

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week:

MnTC Goals: Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies, Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci, Goal 07 - Human Diversity

This course examines the history of African Americans and race relations in the United States from slavery to freedom. Emphasis is on putting the experiences of African Americans in the context of U.S. social, cultural and political history. The course encourages examination of primary sources (such as slave narratives, newspapers and speeches) to illuminate an African-American cultural and intellectual tradition in U.S. arts and letters. Assignments include library and/or other research.

B. Course Effective Dates: 08/01/1998 - 09/05/1999 09/06/1999 - 05/04/2002 05/04/2002 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

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E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies
   None
Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci

   1. Employ the methods and data that historians and social and behavioral scientists use to investigate the human condition.
   2. Use and critique alternative explanatory systems or theories.
   3. Develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues.
   4. Examine social institutions and processes across a range of historical periods and cultures.

Goal 07 - Human Diversity

   1. Demonstrate an awareness of the individual and institutional dynamics of unequal power relations between groups in contemporary society.
   2. Analyze their own attitudes, behaviors, concepts and beliefs regarding diversity, racism, and bigotry.
   3. Understand the development of and the changing meanings of group identities in the United States' history and culture.
   4. Describe and discuss the experience and contributions (political, social, economic, etc.) of the many groups that shape American society and culture, in particular those groups that have suffered discrimination and exclusion.
   5. Demonstrate communication skills necessary for living and working effectively in a society with great population diversity.

G. Special Information

None