The African and African American Studies (AAAS) Program at Dartmouth College originated in 1969, making it one of the oldest programs of its kind in the nation. A multidisciplinary program, AAAS offers students the opportunity to explore innovative scholarship within the field of African and African American Studies while integrating theoretical perspectives and methodologies from a variety of disciplines. Students in AAAS courses delve into questions and issues that shape the historical, social, political, and cultural constructions and transformations of the African diaspora within a global context. The AAAS Program offers a major and minor, and AAAS may form the secondary part of a modified major.

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Study leading to a degree in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (AMES) is interdisciplinary and normally focused on one of the following areas: East Asia, the Middle East, Central Asia, and South/Southeast Asia. Majors and minors work with advisors who specialize in these areas to design a program of study to ensure coherence of language study, disciplinary training, and off-campus experience. The AMES Program sponsors the Dartmouth-in-Fez, Morocco Foreign Study Program; the Dartmouth-in-Hyderabad, India Foreign Study Program, co-sponsored with the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program; and a Foreign Exchange Program in Seoul, Korea.

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Cognitive Science is the study of cognition from an interdisciplinary perspective. The core component disciplines of cognitive science are philosophy, psychology, neuroscience, linguistics, and computer science. Cognitive scientists may focus on particular cognitive faculties, such as language or memory; on specific cognitive phenomena, such as empathy; or on understanding the fundamentals of cognition quite broadly, for example in information-theoretic terms. What sets cognitive science apart from its core areas is its commitment to cross-disciplinary methodology. Students wishing to pursue work in cognitive science take a defined group of core courses and then a series of electives selected from courses taught in a variety of departments. We encourage you to design your own major and to participate in research projects. COGS 1, Introduction to Cognitive Science, will be a good indication of whether COGS is a good fit for you.

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Welcome Class of 2021! In the Environmental Studies Program, we motivate and prepare students to rise to the challenges and opportunities associated with human-environment interactions. Environmental degradation is an escalating problem from local to global scales. Training students to understand and address these environmental problems is our core mission; it is why we believe that Environmental Studies is an essential component of a modern liberal arts education.

To meet the needs of our students, we offer a major in Environmental Studies and three minors: Environmental Studies, Environmental Science, and Sustainability. We also offer the Africa Foreign Study Program that travels to South Africa, Lesotho, and Namibia where we explore the themes of Environmental Studies within the particular environment, culture, and history of the southern Africa region.

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Institute for Writing and Rhetoric

The Institute for Writing and Rhetoric is dedicated to helping Dartmouth students become the finest communicators in the world.

Our courses in writing foster the habits of inquiry, reading, and writing that constitute the heart of a liberal arts education.

Our speech curriculum embarks students on a rigorous course of study in rhetorical theory and practice that equips them for a variety of rhetorical situations, including public advocacy campaigns, social movements, and persuasion analysis.

Our Student Center for Research, Writing, and Information Technology (RWIT) is a free service that helps students develop effective strategies for generating and organizing ideas, finding and evaluating research sources, and presenting and revising compositions in a variety of media.

Our mission is to help students develop the critical thinking, research, and communication competencies that are the necessary tools for engaging a diverse and changing world.

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International Studies Minor

The Dickey Center unites the many and diverse strengths of Dartmouth — its students, faculty, and undergraduate and professional schools — in addressing the world’s challenges and ensuring that a rigorous understanding of the world is an essential part of the Dartmouth experience. The Center honors the commitment to international understanding and social responsibility exemplified by President John Sloan Dickey.

The Dickey Center offers students opportunities for expanding their knowledge of international issues through an interdisciplinary minor in International Studies.

A minor in International Studies makes students cognizant of the interplay between local and global processes: human and environmental interactions; and places, identities, and cultures of a rapidly changing world. The minor helps students prepare to live productive, responsible lives in an interconnected world. It can complement any academic major at Dartmouth. Requirements for the minor include: four core courses, one foreign language course, and one elective. Many students choose to pursue a leave-term internship or project abroad through the Dickey Center as a way of bridging their academic interests with practical experience elsewhere in the world.

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Widely recognized for its robust undergraduate curriculum, the program in Linguistics combines training in language analysis with a wide-variety of hands-on research opportunities for students. Its Foreign Study Program is centered in Auckland, New Zealand, and includes a field expedition to the Kingdom of Tonga.

Linguistics majors and minors all take a common set of courses on the fundamental aspects of language structure, but have the opportunity to develop their degree around specific interests such as language change, language documentation, or computational linguistics. Recent graduates have gone on to careers in finance, medicine, education, software development, and law.

Students interested in discovering more about the field of linguistics or pursuing a degree are encouraged to take Linguistics 1, Introductory Linguistics, in their first year.

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The program in Quantitative Social Science (QSS) brings together Dartmouth students and faculty interested in applying statistical, computational, and mathematical tools to social science questions. QSS offers undergraduates a minor and an honors major, both of which combine intensive quantitative training with one or more of the social sciences. All QSS students conduct independent research projects, guided by Dartmouth faculty members, as part of the program’s curriculum, and projects are publicly presented upon completion. Through QSS, Dartmouth undergraduates integrate the power of modern quantitative and computational methods with the substance of a social science discipline. QSS engages all social science disciplines, including anthropology, economics, education, geography, government, history, psychological and brain sciences, and sociology, while requiring its students to develop competencies in a variety of technical areas. For students whose primary interests lie in the social sciences, QSS provides a strong quantitative component. And for students rooted in mathematics, computer science, engineering, and the other natural sciences, QSS provides an opportunity to branch into social science research.

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The Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program at Dartmouth College, the first such program in any of the previously all-male Ivy League colleges, offers multidisciplinary and cross-cultural courses on gender and gender-related issues, including a concentration in Sexuality and LGBT Studies. Our program faculty includes over 70 faculty members drawn from the Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences. The Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program enriches the traditional liberal arts curriculum by celebrating the multiplicity of gender and sexual identity (male, female, gay, lesbian, transgendered, etc.) and by helping students understand how gender and sexuality intersect with other social markers like those of class, race, and ethnicity.

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**Ethics Minor:** [http://www.dartmouth.edu/~ethics/programs/ethics_minor/](http://www.dartmouth.edu/~ethics/programs/ethics_minor/)
**Jewish Studies:** [http://jewish.dartmouth.edu](http://jewish.dartmouth.edu)
**Latin American, Latino, and Caribbean Studies:** [http://lalacs.dartmouth.edu](http://lalacs.dartmouth.edu)
**Native American Studies Program:** [http://native-american.dartmouth.edu](http://native-american.dartmouth.edu)