HUMANITIES

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DESCRIPTION

Studying the humanities provides individuals with opportunities to explore the human experience through a variety of windows such as art and architecture, philosophy, literature, music, history and languages. Humanities students examine and interpret works from the viewpoint of several disciplines to better understand the influence of cultural values and world views, forms of political and social order, basis and impact of gender roles and effect of historic and environmental events on how individuals and societies perceive and project themselves. Humanities students could find jobs in three broad categories: academics, media and writing. Some specific jobs include teaching, business theorists, archaeologists, literary critics, cinematography, television and radio personalities, writers, journalists and talent agents; essentially any field that requires an understanding of the “human condition.”

At PCC, the humanities program includes a broad-based introductory course, sequences in technology, African Cultures and Leadership.

HUM 100. Introduction to Humanities. 4 Credits.
Introduces students to college-level study in the humanities; promotes a sense of humanity through such topics as literature, theatre, art, music, architecture, philosophy, and religion by critically thinking about moral values, myths, aesthetics, and liberty; all of this within historical frameworks. It is designed to reawaken our sense of wonder and curiosity about the meaning of life. It shows how the various arts and sciences intersect, influence and are influenced by cultural and historical circumstances. Prerequisite: (WR 115 and RD 115) or IRW 115 and MTH 20 or equivalent placement. Audit available. This course fulfills the following GE requirements: Cultural Literacy, Arts and Letters/AAS, Arts and Letters/AGS, Arts and Letters/ASOT-B, Arts and Letters/AAOT.

HUM 214. Race and Racism. 4 Credits.
Introductory examination of the origins and manifestations of the socially constructed concept of race. Critical theory approach is used to analyze the manner in which the concept of race has been developed and interpreted and its influence on the social, economic and political relations between ethnic groups. Emphasis on racist ideas, theories, movements and key people and events in the evolution of race-based thinking. This study includes instances of racism in Eurasia, Africa, the Americas and Australia. Audit available.

HUM 221. Leadership Development. 4 Credits.
The primary focus of the course is the development of leadership skills. It provides a basic understanding of leadership principles and group dynamics and helps students develop a personal leadership philosophy and style. The course integrates readings from classic works of literature, contemporary multicultural readings, experiential exercises and films. Issues of diversity, personal growth and interpersonal relationships are explored within the context of leadership development. Prerequisites: (WR 115 and RD 115) or IRW 115 and MTH 20 or equivalent placement. Audit available. This course fulfills the following GE requirements: Cultural Literacy, Arts and Letters/AAS, Arts and Letters/AGS, Arts and Letters/AS, Arts and Letters/AAOT, Arts and Letters/ASOT-B.

HUM 203. Humanities & Technology: Future Directions. 4 Credits.
Looks for ways in which technology can be applied in new, socially and ethically responsible forms. Recommended: Courses should be taken sequentially. Prerequisite: (WR 115 and RD 115) or IRW 115 and MTH 20 or equivalent placement. Audit available. This course fulfills the following GE requirements: Cultural Literacy, Arts and Letters/AAS, Arts and Letters/AGS, Arts and Letters/ASOT-B, Arts and Letters/AAOT.