

DISABILITY STUDIES / MINOR

The Disability Studies minor is a program of interdisciplinary coursework and community-engaged learning experiences exploring the construction of normalcy. The minor is sponsored by members of departments across the university and enriched by faculty expertise in many disciplines. Transformative strategies for addressing unjust local and global realities are at the heart of this program which promotes a nuanced understanding of the meanings and consequences of disability in a range of cultural, historical, geographic, socioeconomic, and theological contexts. Students will consider how disability intersects with other categories of identity and what new understandings emerge when the knowledge and experience of disabled people moves from the periphery to the center.

Requirements

Total Hours: 18

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Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
UNIV 20020	IS: Foundations in Disability Studies	3
THEO 46400	Disabilities Studies Capstone	3
Electives ¹		12

Students may replace one three-credit elective with three one-credit workshops.

The minor requires at least one elective from two of the three emphases below (Science/Medicine/Education, Social Systems/Community, Identity).

Electives must be chosen from at least two different disciplines.

At least one upper-level elective (30000- or 40000-level) may not apply to any other major or minor at Lewis University.

A. Science / Medicine / Education Emphasis

CSDS 20000	Introduction to Speech-Language Pathology
CSDS 40000	Scientific Foundations of Speech and Hearing
SCWK 35700	Wksp: Interventions with Families
SPED 22300	Disability Studies in Education
SPED 36700	Autism
THEO 26600	Theological Perspectives in Bioethics

B. Social Systems / Community Emphasis

COMM 48000	Mass Media Ethics
CSJS 22000	Criminology
CSJS 32700	Mediation 1
CSJS 44000	Social Policy and Social Justice
ENGL 36000	Shakespeare
HIST 10400	Interpreting the Modern World
PRLG 31200	Basic Contract Law for Paralegals
PRLG 31400	Wills, Trusts and Estates for Paralegals
SCWK 10000	Introduction to Social Work
SCWK 20900	The Welfare State and Social Welfare Policy
SCWK 25100	Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
SCWK 31700	Social Services for Older Adults
SCWK 34900	Ethics and Professional Issues in Social Work
SCWK 36900	Wksp: Social Work with Immigrants and Refugees

SCWK 37100	Wksp: School Social Worker
SOCI 42000	Sociology of Education
SPED 25700	Exceptional Learners in Inclusive Communities
SPED 36400	Partnerships for Inclusive Education
SPED 36600	Special Education Law
THEO 22300	Hebrew Bible
THEO 22500	New Testament and Early Christian Literature
THEO 26700	Practicing Faithful Justice
THEO 26800	Christian Social Teaching
C. Identity Emphasis	
COMM 21100	Interpersonal Communication
COMM 35000	Intercultural Communication
ENGL 11200	College Writing 2
MUSC 11550	Sex, Race, and Power in Pop Music
SCWK 21500	Cultural Humility and Social Power
THEO 25000	Foundations of Peace and Justice Studies
Total Hours	18

¹ Many electives have prerequisites. Consult the course descriptions for prerequisite courses.