

ranging from traditional stories to contemporary texts. Given KSU's location, special attention is paid to southeastern tribes.

AMST 3740: American Popular Culture

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1102

Critical analysis of popular culture in American society. A particular offering of the course could focus on a specific area of popular culture (e.g., books, music, sports, food, mass consumption or advertising) or survey several of those topics. Historical and theoretical readings will support students' analysis of primary texts, including examples highlighting the globalization of American popular culture, mass markets and niche markets, the social formation of taste, and shifts in society's preferences for mass consumption in different time periods.

Notes: Course may be repeated for credit provided the content differs entirely from the previous offering.

AMST 3750: Place in American Culture

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1102

This course offers a thematic study of the cultural, social, and economic patterns of American places using texts and methods from a variety of disciplines such as history, literature, and sociology. Employing the techniques of critical reading and historical analysis, students interrogate texts ranging from contemporary prize-winning novels, film and media representations, to primary historical documents to gain a fuller understanding of both the place studied and the significance of "place" in culture.

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