

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Religion and Culture
Minor: APPALACHIAN CULTURES AND ENVIRONMENTS
For Student Date of Entry under the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog

Student name: _____ Student major: _____

Term entered VT: _____ Expected graduation year: _____

The minor consists of 18 credit hours to include 6 required credits and 12 restricted elective credits.

I. Required Courses (six credits).

Pathways Info	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
INTRODUCTION, HUMANITIES, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	APS 1704 (HUM)	Introduction to Appalachian Studies	3
CAPSTONE, DISCOURSE (E)	APS 4414 (HUM) (Pre: 1704 or HUM 1704)	Issues in Appalachian Studies	3

II. Electives (twelve credits). Choose four courses. At least one must be at the 3000- or 4000-level. At least one must be a Pathways elective (courses listed in more than one area may be counted for either area but not for both areas).

Writing, Language, & Communication

Pathways Info	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
DISCOURSE (IG)	ALS 2204	Introduction to Civic Agriculture	3
DISCOURSE, IDENTITY & EQUITY (E)	ENGL 2634 (Pre: 1106 or 1204H or COMM 1016)	Writing and Social Justice *Designated Appalachian Cultures and Environments sections only	3
	HUM 2104 (AINS) (COMM)	Oral Traditions and Culture	3
DISCOURSE OR DESIGN & ARTS (IG)	TA 2404	Introduction to Applied Collaborative Techniques	3
DISCOURSE OR SOCIAL SCI (IG)	ENGL 3144 (RLCL) (SOC) (Pre: 1106 or 1204H or COMM 1016)	Language and Ethnicity in the United States	3
	APS 4034 (SOC 4054)	Appalachian Languages and Cultures	3
DISCOURSE OR HUMANITIES (IG)	LAR 4034	Evolution of the American Landscape	3

Sciences & Environment

Pathways Info	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
NATURAL SCI OR QUANTITATIVE (IG)	LAR 1254	Environment and Natural Systems	3
NATURAL SCI (E)	FREC 2114	Ecology of Appalachian Forests	3
NATURAL SCI (IG)	MINE 2114	Energy and Raw Materials: Geopolitics and Sustainable Development	3
	HORT 4794 (Pre: BIOL 1005 or 1105)	Medicinal Plants and Herbs	3

Society & Place

<i>Pathways Info</i>	<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Course Name</i>	<i>Credits</i>
SOCIAL SCI (IG)	AINS 1104	Introduction to American Indian Studies	3
SOCIAL SCI, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	AFST 1714	Introduction to African American Studies	3
SOCIAL SCI (IG)	GEOG 1116 (Pre: 1115 or NR 1115)	Seeking Sustainability	3
SOCIAL SCI OR HUMANITIES (E, IG)	FREC 2554 (NR) (LAR)	Leadership for Global Sustainability	3
SOCIAL SCI (IG)	RLCL 2054 (SOC)	Ethnography: Studying Culture	3
SOCIAL SCI, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	SOC 2034	Diversity and Community Engagement	3
SOCIAL SCI OR HUMANITIES (E, IG)	SPAN 2764	Introduction to Latino American Studies	3
SOCIAL SCI, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	APS 3124 (STS)	Societal Health	3
	APS 3464 (AHRM) (HD) (GEOG) (HUM) (SOC) (UAP) (Pre: Junior standing)	Appalachian Communities	3
SOCIAL SCI OR DISCOURSE (IG)	ENGL 3144 (SOC) (RLCL) (Pre: 1106 or 1204H or COMM 1016)	Language and Ethnicity in the United States	3
	GEOG 3224 (Pre: 1004 or 1104 or 1014 or APS 1704 or HUM 1704)	Geography of Appalachia	3
SOCIAL SCI OR HUMANITIES (IG)	HTM 3484	Socio-Cultural Impacts of Tourism	3
SOCIAL SCI	LAR 3264 (Pre: 2254)	People, Community and Place	3
SOCIAL SCI (IG)	RLCL 3204 (HUM)	Multicultural Communication	3
SOCIAL SCI OR HUMANITIES (IG)	STS 3334	Energy and Society	3
SOCIAL SCI (IG)	ALS 4204 (Pre: 3404)	Concepts in Community Food Systems	3
	APS 4094 (SOC)	Appalachian Community Research	3
	AINS 4004	Topics in American Indian Studies	3

Arts & Design

<i>Pathways Info</i>	<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Course Name</i>	<i>Credits</i>
DESIGN & ARTS (E)	LAR 1264	Seeing, Understanding, Representing Landscape	3
DESIGN & ARTS, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	APS 2404 (HUM)	Folk Cultures in Appalachia	3
	LAR 2254	Social and Cultural Landscapes	3
DESIGN & ARTS (IG)	MUS 2124 (APS)	Music Traditions in Appalachia	3
DESIGN & ARTS OR DISCOURSE (IG)	TA 2404	Introduction to Applied Collaborative Techniques	3
SOCIAL SCI	LAR 3264 (Pre: 2254)	People, Community and Place	3

Cultural Expressions & Values

<i>Pathways Info</i>	<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Course Name</i>	<i>Credits</i>
HUMANITIES, IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	APS 2434	The Cultural Politics of Music in Appalachia	3
HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCI (E, IG)	FREC 2554 (NR) (LAR)	Leadership for Global Sustainability	3
HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCI (E, IG)	SPAN 2764	Introduction to Latino American Studies	3
IDENTITY & EQUITY (IG)	ENGL 3624 (Pre: 1106 or 1204H or COMM 1016)	Appalachian Literature	3
	HIST 3214	History of Appalachia	3
HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCI (IG)	HTM 3484	Socio-Cultural Impacts of Tourism	3
HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCI (IG)	STS 3334	Energy and Society	3
HUMANITIES OR DISCOURSE (IG)	LAR 4034	Evolution of the American Landscape	3

(IG) = Intercultural and Global Awareness

(E) = Ethical Reasoning

- With approval from the director of Appalachian Studies, up to six credits of applicable special offerings, such as Independent Study (APS 2974, 2974H, 4974, or 4974H) or Undergraduate Research (APS 4994), may be used to fulfill elective requirements.
- When appropriate, substitutions for electives may be made with approval from the director of Appalachian Studies.
- A minimum cumulative GPA for all classes taken for the minor is 2.0.
- Some courses listed on this checksheet may have prerequisites. Please consult the University Course Catalog, or check with your advisor.

Steps for completing the Minor

1. Print and complete the CLAHS Request to Change minor form, available online at: http://liberalarts.vt.edu/content/dam/liberalarts_vt_edu/pdfs/forms/request_change_second_major_or_minor_9-7-16.pdf
2. Declare the minor in the Religion and Culture Department, 115 Lane Hall, and obtain a departmental signature on the Request form.
3. Submit the Request form to CLAHS Undergraduate Academic Affairs in Wallace Hall Suite 238.
4. Include minor information when updating the application for degree in Hokie Spa.
5. Students cannot graduate until they have either (a) satisfied the requirements for the minor or (b) withdrawn from the minor.

For more information, contact the Director of Appalachian Studies, Dr. Emily Satterwhite, satterwhite@vt.edu.