

**WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & LIBERAL ARTS
BASIC COURSE INFORMATION**

COURSE NUMBER **HUM 371**

COURSE TITLE **Introduction to Diversity Studies**

CREDITS **3**

PREREQUISITE **ENG 122 or COM 245**

FACULTY MEMBER

TERM

METHOD OF CONTACT/ OFFICE HOURS

COURSE TIME BREAKDOWN

35 Hours Scheduled Instruction
5 Hours Structured External Assignments (SEA)
60-80 Hours Independent Learning

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course considers issues of human diversity broadly defined to include race, ethnicity, culture, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, ability, and class. How do diversity and differences shape us and our systems that affect individuals, families, communities, and society? Students will explore the intersectionality of cultures and see the ways that race, class, gender, disability, sexuality, etc. operate together in overlapping and conflicting ways to affect all aspects of human experience.

TEXTBOOKS

*A list of course textbooks are available on the Wilmington University Bookstore website:
<http://bookstore.wilmu.edu/>

COURSE OBJECTIVES

This course will provide students with the knowledge and skills to:

1. Analyze the importance and intersectionality of culture, diversity and difference in shaping life experiences.
2. Analyze dynamics of power, privilege, bias, and oppression and the potential-limiting barriers that these dynamics create.
3. Evaluate standard theories/models of intercultural competence, diverse cultures, and

