SOUTHERN STUDIES

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Southern Studies provide a framework for a robust examination of the American South and Southern identity. This examination provides students with a nuanced understanding of the South as a distinctive place and culture, challenges reductive stereotypes about the South, and situates the region within its complex national and international contexts. Students in Southern studies practice and cultivate their skills in careful research, nuanced analysis, and strong writing, preparing them for a variety of paths after graduation. A strongly interdisciplinary program, Southern Studies courses complement many academic majors and enable students to pursue interests in Southern folklife, music, religion, history, literature, politics, geography, and other topics.