Humanites and Social Sciences (HSS)

HSS 120 Introduction to Humanities & Social Sciences (2 credit hours)
Introduction to humanities and social science disciplines by comparing methods of inquiry and perspectives on a social/cultural issue. The course will also facilitate exploration of college and university resources, opportunities, and policies, and address skills for academic, personal, and career success. First-year entering Humanities and Social Sciences majors only.

R: New Freshmen with majors in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences only
GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives
Typically offered in Fall and Spring

HSS 201 Transformative Texts in American Life: Engaging Across Difference (3 credit hours)
Discussion-based seminar that uses major texts of cultural importance to explore what it means to live in a diverse, just, and inclusive North American society and to develop students’ oral and written communication skills. Readings range in genre from speeches and short stories to court decisions and pop culture across American generations with focus on themes of diversity and difference, equity and justice, and inclusion and belonging.

GEP U.S. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, GEP Humanities
Typically offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer

HSS 392/COM 392 International and Crosscultural Communication (3 credit hours)
Patterns and problems of verbal and non-verbal forms of crosscultural communication. Avoidance and management of cultural conflict arising from awareness of characteristics and crosscultural communication. Impact on communication of differing cultural perspectives.

GEP Global Knowledge, GEP Social Sciences, GEP U.S. Diversity
Typically offered in Fall and Summer