In Area E courses, students learn to situate and investigate questions about the ways in which human history and cultures are constructed and negotiated and the roles that citizens play in those processes with the intent of contributing to an informed citizenry.

*Students who successfully complete the Area E requirement will be able to:*

- Articulate theories of cultural construction and examine key elements included in the formation and maintenance of structures.
- Apply theories of cultural construction to questions about cultures and identities within specific contexts.
- Examine self-identity in relation to other cultures and identities.
- Identify factors that contribute to development, maintenance, and changes in cultures.
- Critically read, interpret, and evaluate qualitative, quantitative, primary, and/or secondary sources.
- Articulate definitions of culture.
- Develop analyses that reflect an informed opinion concerning questions of cultures and identities in written and/or oral forms appropriate to the discipline.