Fall and Spring 2022-2023 CCE options

Fall 2022

IDIS 290 A / AA

Title: Exploring Race in America

Description: Exploring Race in America describes and analyzes race and racism in the USA historically and currently. It highlights important events, movements, people, ideas, social patterns, and policies critical for understanding the race landscape and issues of today. It includes examination of the evolution of identities such as “whiteness” and “blackness.” Students engage with a variety of media and written texts and participate in in-person facilitated discussion sections once a week. They also complete 6 hours of approved cross-cultural engagement events/activities. 0-1-credit. Pass/fail. This course fulfills the CCE graduation requirement for heritage core students. Course offered for full semester in person on the main campus, Tuesdays, 6-6:50 pm. Led by Dr. Eric Washington

Spring 2023

CMS 251 D

“Theological Reflections on Ministry Practices: Worship and Culture Worldwide” taught by CICW staff Kai Ton Chau. This course will explore the beauty of the worldwide body of Christ, develop conceptual tools for learning to appreciate cultural differences in worship practices, and prepare students to participate in worship in different cultures as well as to talk with others from different cultures in gracious, hospitable, and discerning ways. In addition to reading and discussion forums, students will participate in Calvin Symposium on Worship 2023 in February (at no additional cost) and reflect on the learning. 1 credit hour. Graded. Offered the first eight weeks of the Spring 2023 semester, online, asynchronously.

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IDIS 290 F/FF

“Minority Voices in Science” taught by Dave Warners. This seminar course will engage students in discussions, readings, and other activities to explore the lived experience of being a student who identifies as not belonging to the majority sub-culture at Calvin University. Topics of personal identity, white privilege, historical racism, affirmative action, and minority representation in the sciences, etc., will be covered. Students will be encouraged to process their specific experiences as minority or majority (it is open to everyone) students at Calvin, and also help to generate ideas for how to strengthen and enliven our campus community, particularly in the sciences. This course fulfills the CCE requirement. 0-1 credit hours. Pass/fail. In person on the main campus, Friday 1-1:50pm, by application only (contact course instructor).