

Humanities & Culture

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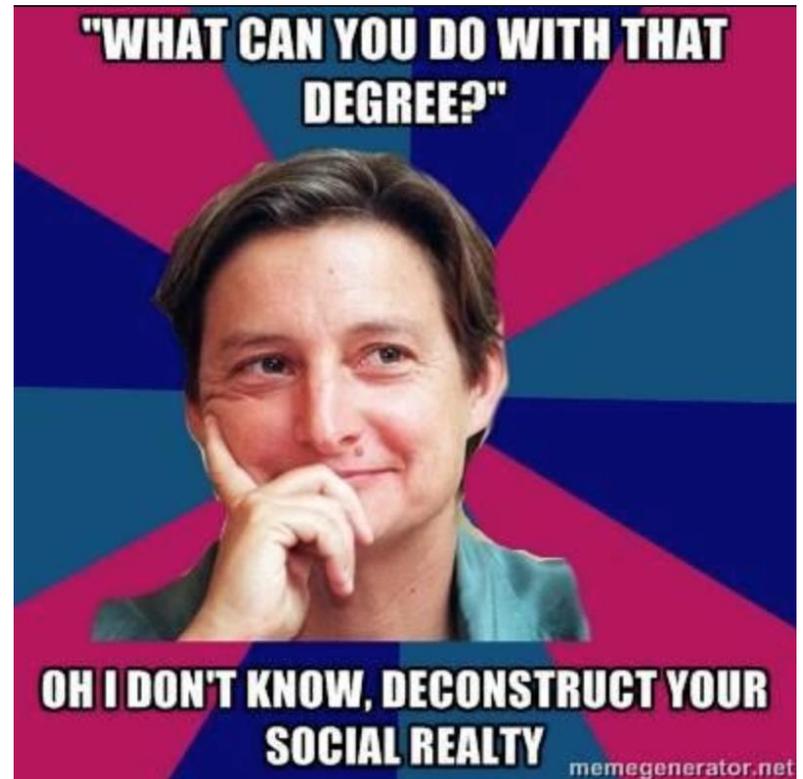
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What is a Humanities Major?

Humanities expand our knowledge of human cultures and help us understand what binds us together and what differentiates us from one another in a global context.

Humanities is the study of *human culture and systems of power*:

- Race, gender, class, nationality, language, sexual orientation, ability, etc.
- Popular culture and media
- Social justice and revolution
- Storytelling cultures
- Global cultural, political, and social histories
- Social relationships



Studying in the Humanities



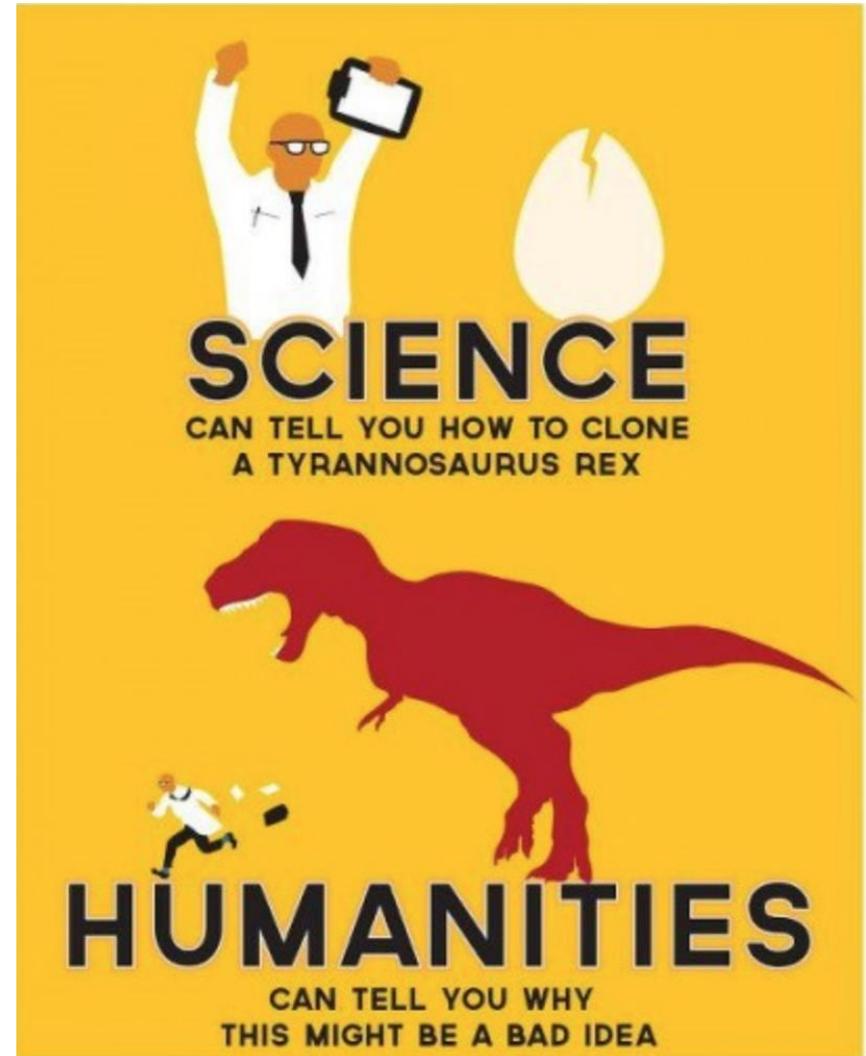
“As we delve into our particular subjects, we’re invited to not lose sight of the general awe of what it means to be a human.”

What do I study in the Humanities?

Humanities students are interdisciplinary!

Humanities and Culture students study across traditional academic disciplines and develop projects reflecting a broad range of interests and perspectives:

- Gender and Women's Studies
- Ethnic Studies
- Film & Television Studies
- Digital Humanities
- LGBTQ+ studies
- History
- Law
- Literature & Language
- Social Justice & Activism
- Anthropology
- Philosophy



Have you ever...? <Chat time>

Respond in the chat if you have ever...

...enjoyed talking to your friends or family about a movie or TV show? (which one)?

...wanted to learn more about social justice or how to get involved in helping your community? (share an example)

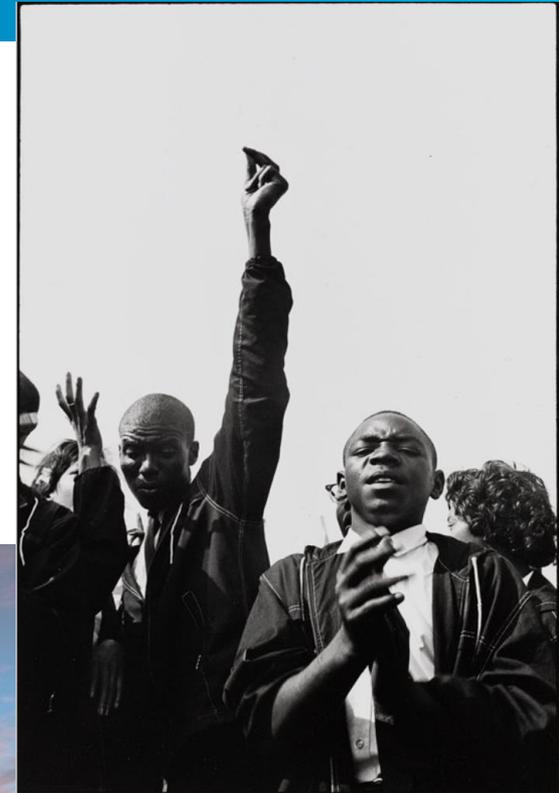
...enjoyed connecting with friends or classmates and learning about aspects of your identity? (race, gender, nationality, language, etc.)

...wanted to learn more about climate change, global poverty, migration, public schools, gentrification, activism, global cultures, storytelling? (what sounds most exciting to you?)

What kinds of projects do you work on?



- Photography of social activism
- Histories of collective action
- Visual storytelling culture



*Brianna Noble at
George Floyd protest
in Oakland, CA
(2020)*



DAPL protests (2016)

*Danny Lyon
March on
Washington, D.C.
(1963)*

What kinds of projects do you work on?

- LGBTQ+ film & television
- Drag cultures and history
- Gender & performance theory
- Fashion studies



*Divine in John Water's
film Pink Flamingos
(1972)*



Bianca Del Rio (Drag Race Season 6)



Billy Porter as Pray Tell in Pose (2018)

Directed by Jennie Livingston (1990)



What kinds of projects do you work on?

IF I AM A DIGITAL
HUMANITIES SPECIALIZATION



AM I STUDYING THE HUMAN
TRANSITION TO CYBORGS?

Cyborgs, comics/manga, future studies, and climate collapse!



Cyborg
(DC Comics)

Immortan Joe
Mad Max Fury Road (2015)



Karl Čapek R.U.R (1920)
– Russian theater poster
from 1930s



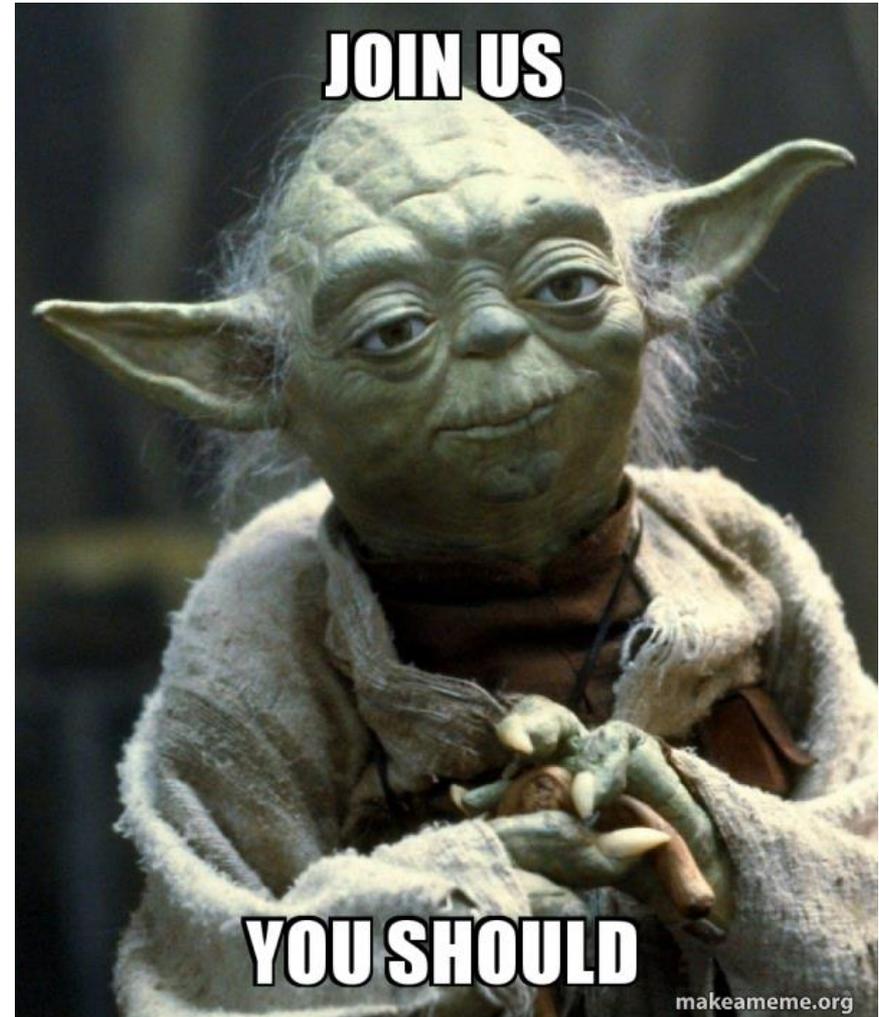
How do I begin studying Humanities?

Where is this program offered?

- South Seattle College
- North Seattle College
- Seattle Central College

Entry Requirements

Any student can begin study in the Humanities without prerequisites



Education Pathway

Transfer to programs in:

- Gender & Women's Studies
- Geography
- Social Justice/ Legal Studies
- Education
- Film & Television Studies
- English & Cultural Studies
- Performance Studies
- History
- Philosophy
- Anthropology

Your Humanities Journey



YOU

- Available at every college/university

Careers/Jobs

Internships (+ many more)

- Seattle Office of Arts & Culture
- Community Organizations / Social Justice Organizations
- Education, Museum, and Library internships
- Non-profit organizations (local and global)

Careers (to name a few)

- Education
- Community Organizing / Social Activism
- Arts & Cultural organizations
- Grant Writing
- Human Relations
- Social Work
- Non-profit leadership
- Attorney
- Museum & Library Curator
- Communications
- Journalism



Q & A



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