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All Minds Matter

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Describe the concept. If already in use here or elsewhere, please indicate this.

Ethnic studies is an essential academic component of higher education. It serves to make students more conscious, aware, and learn experiences that can make campus a better place. Ethnic studies already exist at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; however, this proposal serves to make recommendations that can make Ethnic Studies better. We believe that Ethnic studies requirements have to make a deliberate effort to better encourage participation in a multicultural society.

Our specific recommendation is that ethnic studies should be a general education requirement and also as a specific major requirement. This means that all students would take at least two ethnic studies classes.

How would this affect cultural change on campus?

An ethnic studies class as requirement to complete in one's major will better connect ethnic studies with interacting with real students. Also, students will be able to apply what they learn in ethnic studies to their specific career.

What resources would be needed to implement your suggestion?

An opportunity to work with all important stakeholders including ASM will be needed to implement this suggestion.