Rationale

UMass Boston believes that explicit study of the diversity of the world’s peoples is an essential component of an undergraduate education. The university defines diversity broadly to include

- race
- gender
- culture (national origin, ethnicity, religion)
- social class
- age
- sexual orientation
- disability

Attention to cultural and social groups previously ignored or marginalized in curricula helps you acquire analytical tools and knowledge with which you can understand human diversity in our complex and changing world, and strengthens your academic preparation by exposing you to a rich body of scholarship from a wide range of disciplines.