APPLICATION FORM
GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN AMERICAN STUDIES

Student Name ________________________________________________      Date_____________

PID _______________________

MSU Home Department applied to/enrolled in ________________________________________________

Degree sought in home department    ☐ PhD ☐ Master

Current Graduate GPA (N/A if 1st semester) __________        # of Credits Completed ____________

Approval of major professor is required

Signature_________________________________________      Date_____________

Requirements for the Graduate Certificate in American Studies

The certificate is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in master’s and doctoral programs
at Michigan State University. Students must meet the requirements of the certificate specified below, in
addition to the requirements for the student’s primary degree program.

Students must complete a minimum of 12 credits, of which 6 credits must come from units other than
the student’s primary degree program. Students pursuing a dual degree, 6 credits must come from units
other than the student’s two degree programs.

1. Complete one of the following courses (3 credits):
   HST 800 Historiography of the United States to 1865  3
   HST 801 Historiography of the United States Since 1865  3
   HST 807 Readings in Early American and U.S. History  3

2. Complete one of the following courses (3 credits):
   ENG 818 Studies in Genre and Media  3
   ENG 819 Special Topics in Language and Literature  3
   ENG 826 Special Topics Seminar  3

3. Complete 6 credits in course work from English, History, Anthropology, African American and
   African Studies, Chicano/Latino Studies, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Theatre, Music, or History
   of Art. A list of approved courses is available in the Department of History. Courses, if
   appropriate, may be used from other departments with approval of the Graduate Chairperson.

I have read and understand the requirements for the completion of American Studies graduate
certificate.

Signature_________________________________________________________________________      Date_____________

Print Name ___________________________________________

As Graduate Director I certify that the student has completed the necessary coursework for the
Graduate Certificate in American Studies.

Signature_________________________________________________________________________      Date_____________

Print Name ___________________________________________

Please attach a list of courses you intend on taking that fulfill the above requirements.

Return to: Jennifer Desloover in The Department of History 506 E. Circle Dr. Room 256
          Old Horticulture Building or to jdesloov@msu.edu