This course will introduce the students to the important role of general education and the intersection with their lives. Students will investigate their own values and ethical decision making. Students will consider the extent to which values shape behavior and ethical decisions. The student will recognize potentially different perspectives on a variety of topics as they evaluate other non-Western cultures. Through the exploration of various non-Western cultures, the course will assist students in developing a greater awareness of, and sensitivity about, social and cultural issues on both a local and global level. Through a collection of readings, discussion, personal reflection, writing, and research, students will learn skills to think critically about their social world and broaden their awareness and understanding of cultural and social diversity.