

MINOR IN AFRICANA STUDIES



WITH A MINOR IN AFRICANA STUDIES, YOU CAN EXPLORE KEY ASPECTS OF THE EXPERIENCES OF PEOPLES OF AFRICAN DESCENT

A minor in Africana Studies provides an interdisciplinary background that helps students develop analytical, critical thinking, and writing skills while gaining knowledge about the lives and conditions of people from African descent in Africa, the United States, Latin America, and other communities.

When paired with a major in another field, a minor in Africana Studies can enhance the employability of a student because of a deeper understanding of the African-American experience, culture, and history which many organizations will value. Training in this field can lead to a better appreciation of certain customers or clients.

Some students may choose to study Africana Studies because they enjoy the subject but wish to pursue careers requiring any major. In this scenario, it is critical to develop skills relevant to targeted field through internships, part-time or summer jobs, or volunteer experiences.

Africana Studies students are excellent candidates for a number of graduate school options because of their broad liberal arts background as well as specific interests that may set them apart from other students. For those wishing to pursue graduate education, maintain a high GPA, establish relationships with faculty to secure strong recommendations, and gain experience through volunteer, work, or research opportunities.



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The minor in Africana Studies program offers an interdisciplinary curriculum with a wide range of course offerings in three categories: introductory, intermediate and advanced. Courses can include history, political science, psychology, art, theatre, literature, music, journalism, social sciences and geography. These courses reflect and provide insight into the experiences of people of African descent. The minor is available to all undergraduate students regardless of major.

SUMMARY OF MINOR REQUIREMENTS (18 HOURS)

3 courses from the core (9 hours)

CORE: 9 TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS

- **AFR 1000G** - Introduction to Africana Studies. Credits: 3
- **AFR 2000G** - African American Social Movements. Credits: 3
- **AFR 2200G** - Pan Africanism. Credits: 3

ELECTIVES: 9 TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS

3 courses from a single area of concentration (9 hours)

CONCENTRATION IN HISTORY AND CULTURE

- **GEO 3050** - Geography and Culture of Africa. Credits: 3
- **HIS 1522G** - World History: Slavery and Freedom. Credits: 3
- **HIS 3750** - African-American History: A Survey. Credits: 3
- **JOU 3970** - Race, Gender, and the Media. Credits: 3
- **SOC 2840** - Race and Ethnic Relations. Credits: 3

CONCENTRATION IN FINE ARTS

- **AFR 3000** - Special Topics in Africana Studies. Credits: 3
- **AFR 3300** - African Cinema. Credits: 3
- **ART 2300** - African-American Art. Credits: 3
- **ART 3610G** - African Art. Credits: 3
- **MUS 3562G** - Non-Western Music. Credits: 3
- **THA 3755G** - African-American Theatre: Historical and Contemporary. Credits: 3

CONCENTRATION IN LITERATURE

- **ENG 2705** - African-American Literature. Credits: 3
- **ENG 2850** - Postcolonial Literatures in English. Credits: 3
- **ENG 3705** - American Multicultural Literatures. Credits: 3
- **ENG 4750** - Studies in African-American Literature. Credits: 3
- **ENG 4850** - Studies in Postcolonial and Third World Literatures. Credits: 3

CONCENTRATION IN POLITICS & INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **AFR 3600** - HIV/AIDS and Development in Africa. Credits: 3
- **AFR 3700** - Race and Neighborhood Development. Credits: 3
- **AFR 3970** - Study Abroad. Credits: 1 to 15 (Only 3 hours will count towards the minor)
- **PLS 2253G** - Introduction to International Relations. Credits: 3
- **PLS 3223** - International Organizations. Credits: 3

CONCENTRATION IN GENDER

- **AFR 2400** - Black Women in the Diaspora. Credits: 3
- **AFR 2600** - African American Men. Credits: 3
- **AFR 3150** - Women and Development in Africa. Credits: 3
- **AFR 4275** - Internship in Africana Studies. Credits: 1 to 15 (Only 3 hours will count towards the minor)
- **AFR 4400** - Independent Study. Credits: 1 to 3 (Only 3 hours will count towards the minor)



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