

Minor in African American Studies

About This Program

The African American Studies Minor is a comprehensive, interdisciplinary program that prepares students for critical thinking and discourse on race and contextual factors, social consciousness and awareness, and civic engagement. In order to receive a minor in African American Studies, students need to take 18 credit hours from a selection of courses offered across different disciplines. The majority of our courses are cross-listed with courses offered in other departments.

Competencies

1. Students will demonstrate critical thinking by comparing and contrasting two events that have significantly impacted African American life, one from the past and one from the present.
2. Students will be able to execute and interpret a trend analysis of nationally-representative data on African Americans.

Curriculum

Foundations

AAST 2300	INTRODUCTION TO AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES	3
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Specialization

Select at least 1 from the following:		3
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AAST 3317	DIVERSE POPULATIONS	
AAST 3322	AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TO 1863	
AAST 3323	AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY SINCE EMANCIPATION	
AAST 3337	RACIAL & ETHNIC GROUPS IN US	
AAST 3338	CONTEMPORARY BLACK EXPERIENCE	

Select up to 4 from the following:		12
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AAST 2303	HISTORY AND APPRECIATION OF HIP HOP AND R&B MUSIC	
AAST 2337	ECONOMICS OF SOCIAL ISSUES	
AAST 2371	LANGUAGE IN A MULTICULTURAL USA	
AAST 3300	TOPICS IN GENDER, WOMEN & SEXUALITY STUDIES	
AAST 3301	THEORIES OF HUMAN BEHAVIOR	
AAST 3310	BLACK FAMILIES	
AAST 3314	CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION	
AAST 3317	DIVERSE POPULATIONS	
AAST 3319	U.S. IMMIGRATION POLICY AND THE AMERICAN DREAM	
AAST 3320	BLACK WOMEN IN SOCIETY	
AAST 3321	THE LATINA EXPERIENCE	
AAST 3322	AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TO 1863	
AAST 3323	AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY SINCE EMANCIPATION	
AAST 3328	RACE, REPRESENTATION, AND THE MOVIES	
AAST 3329	CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN CULTURES	
AAST 3330	CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND IDENTITY	
AAST 3332	COMPARATIVE KINSHIP AND FAMILY SYSTEMS	
AAST 3336	SOCIAL INEQUALITY	
AAST 3337	RACIAL & ETHNIC GROUPS IN US	
AAST 3338	CONTEMPORARY BLACK EXPERIENCE	
AAST 3339	RACE, SPORT AND MEDIA	
AAST 3341	THE OLD SOUTH, 1607-1863	
AAST 3342	RELIGION IN MODERN AMERICA	
AAST 3343	THE NEW SOUTH, 1863-PRESENT	
AAST 3344	SOCIOLOGY OF THE 1960S	
AAST 3345	AFRICAN-AMERICAN LITERATURE	
AAST 3347	TOPICS IN MULTICULTURAL AMERICAN LITERATURES	

AAST 3350	BLACK POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THOUGHT
AAST 3353	SOCIAL CLIMATE OF CITIES
AAST 3373	ARCHAEOLOGY OF EGYPT
AAST 3378	HISTORY OF THE CARIBBEAN
AAST 3380	RACE, CRIME, AND JUSTICE
AAST 3385	AFRICAN HISTORY I
AAST 3386	AFRICAN HISTORY II
AAST 4317	ETHNIC GROUP POLITICS IN THE UNITED STATES
AAST 4318	POLITICS OF AFRICAN AMERICANS
AAST 4325	HISTORY OF HIP HOP
AAST 4326	DIVERSITY IN ORGANIZATIONS
AAST 4331	RACE, ETHNICITY & FAMILY FORMATION
AAST 4333	COMPARATIVE CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY
AAST 4341	INEQUALITIES IN PUBLIC EDUCATION
AAST 4342	TOPICS IN CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY
AAST 4350	SPECIAL TOPICS IN AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES
AAST 4376	AFRICAN DIASPORA I
AAST 4377	AFRICAN DIASPORA II
AAST 4378	WEST AFRICA AND THE ATLANTIC DIASPORA
AAST 4391	CONFERENCE COURSE
AAST 4339	TOPICS IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN LITERATURE
AAST 4399	CAPSTONE AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES
Another course approved by advisor	

Total Hours**18**

After consulting with their major departments or programs, students will file a degree plan for the AAST minor at the Center for African American Studies. Courses not listed above may qualify as electives with the approval of the director of the Center for African American Studies.

Advising Resources

Students that are interested in becoming an African American Studies minor should contact an advisor before registering for classes.

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