

Minor In African American Studies

Degree Requirements

If a minor is required in your degree program, at least 9 (lower and/or upper-division) hours of courses in the minor must be completed at the University.

Core Requirements

1. AFR 101, Introduction to African American Studies (three semester hours). This course is to be taken immediately after the African American Studies minor is declared.
2. At least one humanities and one social science course selected from the offerings below.
3. The election of additional courses to bring the total credits to at least 21 hours.

African American Studies Course Offerings

AFR 101 (Required)

Humanities Courses

EH 242

EH 390

EH 468

EH 477

EH 492

PHL 331

Social Science Courses

HY 362

HY 377

HY 485

SY 315

HY 479

HY 477

PSY 270

SY 435

HY 435

HY 478

SY 220

SY 445

GS 290

GS 492

PSC 340

Other

ARH 250

ARH 343

IST 320

A description of these courses may be found under the appropriate departments.

Department Information

The minor in African American Studies provides an interdisciplinary investigation of the experiences, conditions, origins, accomplishments, and contributions of people of African ancestry in the United States. Students may deepen their appreciation and understanding of African Americans by studying their earlier history in Africa, their transition to the New World, and their diasporic experiences in other parts of the world. The African American Studies Program is comprised of eighteen courses offered through seven departments of instruction within the College of Arts and Sciences.

The minor in African American Studies takes advantage of those characteristics of the African American experience that make it uniquely valuable for serious academic study and teaching, for it exposes students to the diversity and unity of the African American experience as well as to the similarities and differences among the cultures of Africa.