Africana Studies Major

The major in Africana Studies (AFA) consists of 36 credits. These credits are divided into 15 credits of required core courses and 21 credits of AFA electives. Please see the detailed requirements below.

AFA Required Core Courses (15 credits):

- AFA 2000 Introduction to the Black Experience in Africa and its Diaspora
- AFH 3100 African History to 1850 (typically only offered in the fall semester)
- AFH 3200 African History Since 1850 (typically only offered in the spring semester)
- AMH 3571 African-American History to 1865 (typically only offered in the fall semester)
- AMH 3572 African-American History Since 1865 (typically only offered in the spring semester)

Africana Studies Approved Electives (21 credit hours):

- AFA 4150 Africa and the United States
- AFA 4335 Black Women in America
- AFA 4350 Afro-Diaspora Literature and Political Movement
- AFA 4400 The Middle Passage
- AFA 4500 Slavery in the Americas and Caribbean
- AFA 4900 Directed Reading
- AFA 4931 Selected Topics in Africana Studies
- AFS 2250 Culture and Society of Africa
- AML 3604 African American Literature
- AML 4624 Black Women Writers
- AMS 3700 Racism in American Society
- ANT 4340 The Caribbean
- CPO 4204 Government and Politics of Africa
- INR 4254 Africa in World Affairs
- LAS 4023 African Diaspora in Latin American and the Caribbean
- PHI 4073 African Philosophy
- PHM 4120 Major Black Thinkers
- PUP 3313 Blacks in American Political Process
- SPC 3710 Communication and Diversity
- URS 3002 Introduction to Urban Studies

Occasionally, other departments/disciplines may offer new courses that are not on this list, but are relevant to this major and could count for credit as AFA electives. When the AFA department is aware of such new courses, students will be notified of new courses that can count towards the AFA electives. Students may also submit syllabi from courses offered by other disciplines that are not on this list to the AFA Academic Advisor for review to see if the course may count as an AFA elective. This should be done prior to taking the course.

Additionally, students in the AFA major are also required to complete two semesters of foreign language at the college level. Students that are already proficient in a foreign language may be able to test out of this language requirement. Please consult with your AFA Academic Advisor regarding the Foreign Language requirement.