

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

We offer minors in African and African-American Studies. These comparative, interdisciplinary programs address sociohistorical, cultural and political issues relating to African-Americans and Africans.

AFRICAN STUDIES

Your minor in African Studies will provide an opportunity to develop an understanding of the diverse peoples and cultures of Africa—how they are relative to other cultures, and, ultimately, a better understanding of your own. This interdisciplinary minor is great for those interested in the humanities, social sciences, education or those who plan to do international work.

Academics

REQUIRED COURSE

• ETHN 150 African Culture and Civilization *or* ETHN 203 Introduction to Africa

Select 15 hours from three departments:

- ETHN / ENGL 244A Introduction to African Literature
- ETHN / HIST 285 Africa Since 1800
- ETHN / ENGL / WMNS 344B Black Women Authors
- ETHN / ENGL 344D Caribbean Literature
- ETHN / ARCH 347, AHIS 366 African Architecture
- ETHN / GEOG 380 Geography of Africa
- ETHN / POLS 375 Conflict and Development in Africa
- ETHN / HIST 385 African Liberation in the African Diaspora
- ETHN / ENGL 445K Topics in African Literature
- ETHN / HIST / WMNS 459 Women and Gender in African Societies
- ETHN / HIST 486 History of South Africa
- POLS 260 Problems in International Relations

For a complete list of applicable courses see minor advisor.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES

A minor in African-American Studies addresses sociohistorical, cultural, and political issues relating to African Americans. This minor attracts students who plan to work in law, health and social services, education, business and industry, program development, or government.

Academics

• ETHN 200 Introduction to African American Studies

Select 15 hours:

- ETHN / HIST 113 History of Hip Hop
- ETHN / HIST / RELG 226 The History of African-American Religious Experience
- ETHN / POLS 238 Blacks and the American Political System
- ETHN / ENGL 244 African American Literature since 1865
- ETHN / ENGL 244E African American Literature before 1865
- ETHN / HIST 246 African American History: African Origins to 1877
- ETHN / HIST 247 African American History: After 1877
- ETHN / ENGL / WMNS 344B Black Women Authors
- ETHN / HIST / WMNS 356 African-American Women's History
- ETHN / HIST 366 African Americans and the Politics of Race: From the New Deal to the New Right
- ETHN / HIST 474 African Americans in the Jazz Age
- ETHN / ENGL 445B Topics in African American Literature
- ETHN / HIST 460 The Civil Rights Movement
- HIST 364 The Rise and Fall of American Slavery
- MUNM 387 History of American Jazz

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Experiences and Opportunities

Join the Afrikan People's Union (APU) which promotes cultural, social and academic events designed to celebrate Black culture. APU students host the Martin Luther King, Jr. Banquet, participate in the Black and Brown Bowling Tournament, and host other social events.

Travel abroad and study with programs in Botswana, Ethiopia, Ghana, Morocco, Namibia, South Africa and Zambia.

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