We offer minors in African and African-American Studies. These comparative, interdisciplinary programs address socio-historical, 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 / AHIS 366 / ARCH 347 African Architecture
• ETHN / ANTH 362 Peoples and Cultures 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 socio-historical, 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 / 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 / ENGL 445B Topics in African American Literature
• ETHN / HIST 460 The Civil Rights Movement
• HIST 364 Slavery and Emancipation in U.S. History
• MUNM 387 History of American Jazz

For a complete list of applicable courses see minor advisor.

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.
U.S. LATINA / LATINO STUDIES

The U.S. Latina / Latino Studies minor focuses on Chicanos / Latinos in the United States and offers a unique perspective on people of Latin American origin or descent. This minor is part of our Latin American Studies program which provides a basis to seek employment with government agencies and private enterprises with operations in Latin America. You can also undertake graduate study with an emphasis in this region.

Academics

Select six courses:
- ETHN 202 Introduction to Latina and/or Latino Studies
- ETHN / PSYC 310 Psychology of Immigration
- ETHN / TEAC 330 Multicultural Education
- ETHN / POLS 333 Immigration and Politics
- ETHN / ENGL 345D Chicana and/or Chicano Literature
- ETHN / HIST / LAMS 357 Mexican-American History

Experiences and Opportunities

Join the Mexican American Student Association (MASA) which promotes cultural, social and academic events designed to celebrate all Latino cultures. MASA supports Fiesta on the Green and hosts the MASA Youth Latino Leadership Conference.

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES

An interdisciplinary minor in Native American Studies looks at indigenous peoples of the Western Hemisphere with a focus on tribal cultures of the Great Plains. Our courses are taught from a Native perspective with a special emphasis on Native belief systems, post-contact histories, oral traditions, social and political organizations, literary and artistic accomplishments and contemporary issues.

Academics

Select six courses:
- ETHN 201 Introduction to Native American Studies
- ETHN / ANTH 212 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- ETHN / SOCI 217 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
- ETHN / ANTH / LAMS 237 Ancient Mesoamerica
- ETHN / HIST 241 Native American History
- ETHN / ENGL 245N Introduction to Native American Literature
- ETHN / TEAC 330 Multicultural Education
- ETHN / HIST 342 History of Plains Indians
- ETHN / ENGL / WMNS 345N Native American Women Writers
- ETHN / ANTH 350 Peoples and Cultures of Native Latin America
- ETHN / ANTH 351 Indigenous Peoples of North America
- ETHN / ANTH 352 Indigenous Peoples of the Great Plains
- ETHN / HIST / WMNS 358 Native American Women
- ETHN / PSYC 425 Psychology of Racism
- ETHN / SOCI 448 Family Diversity
- ETHN / ANTH 451 Contemporary Issues of Indigenous Peoples in North America
- ETHN / HIST 464 Native American History: Selected Topics
- ETHN / HIST 477 Indigenous Peoples of the World
- ETHN / SOCI 481 Minority Groups

Experiences and Opportunities

Join the University of Nebraska Inter-Tribal Exchange (UNITE) which celebrates the Native American community on campus and in the city of Lincoln. Attend various lectures that bring Indigenous leaders, scholars, and artists to the campus.