



AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PUBLIC POLICY

THE AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR is an interdepartmental and interdisciplinary approach to the study of racial and ethnic identity, human relations, and cultural dynamics. The curriculum provides an intellectually powerful analysis of individual achievements, cultural phenomena and paradigms, institutional behaviors, global trends, and public discourse while also focusing on educational and social policy issues. This document provides a brief overview of the major. Please consult the FSU Academic Bulletin for a complete description of degree requirements.

Requirements for a MAJOR in African American Studies:

36 hours with a grade of 'C-' or better in each course with an overall 2.0 major GPA. Eighteen of these hours must be completed at FSU.

Required Coursework

- 9 hours of required core coursework:
 - AFA 2000 Introduction to the African American Experience
 - AFA 3101 Theory and Dynamics of Racism and Oppression
 - AFA 3930 Research Methods and Scholarly Writing in Africana Studies
- 3 hours of experiential coursework chosen from:
 - AFA 3330 Black Families in America
 - AFA 3930 Africana Diasporic Experience
- 3 hours of research/service learning coursework chosen from:
 - AFA 3930 Senior Capstone Thesis
 - AFA 3930 Practicum/Internship
- 6 hours of African and/or African American history courses from the approved course list
- 15 hours from the approved course list in one of the following specialty areas:
 - Social Sciences
 - Literature and Arts
 - Philosophy, History, and Religion

Requirements for a MINOR in African American Studies

Eighteen hours are required for the minor, including 9 hours of core courses consisting of AFA 2000, AFA 3101, and AFA 3330 OR AFA 3930; 3 hours of African or African American history; 6 hours of supplementary courses. Students must have 2.0 or higher GPA in minor coursework, with no grade below C-.

Occupations Relevant to African American Studies:

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| ▪ Consultant | ▪ NGO Director |
| ▪ Cultural Affairs Coordinator | ▪ Researcher |
| ▪ Historian | ▪ Social Science Teacher |

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