

# AFRICANA STUDIES MINOR

Taking as its central mission the study of peoples of African descent on the continent and in the diaspora, the Africana Studies minor seeks a nuanced and interdisciplinary understanding of the human experience. The Africana Studies minor does so through the humanities, arts, and social sciences, with particular emphasis on continuities and discontinuities across geography and time. Its broad educational objectives are to engender among all students an intellectual appreciation of black lives and their saliency for all human experience; to deepen students' critical analytic skills; and to value social equality, democracy, and humanitarianism. The Africana Studies minor strives to provide students with substantive knowledge of the black world and its linkages to national as well as pre-, sub-, supra-, and transnational processes. Students play an active role in Africana Studies Institute's mission to facilitate respect and positive intersocial relationships within the university community.

The minor is administered by the Africana Studies Institute. For information, contact Dr. Melina Pappademos at [melina.pappademos@uconn.edu](mailto:melina.pappademos@uconn.edu).

## Requirements

In addition to AFRA 2211 Introduction to Africana Studies, you must choose any courses from any three of the Five Curricular Areas (Black History, Black Diasporic and Global Perspectives, Race, Society and Health, Black Arts, Literature, and Culture, Black Politics and Social Justice) and one additional course from any AFRA curricular area, including variable topics, special topics, or independent study.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Required Course</b>		
AFRA 2211	Introduction to Africana Studies	3
<b>AFRA Curricular Areas</b>		
Select any courses from any three of the Five Curricular Areas:		9
Black History (p. 1)		
Black Diasporic and Global Perspectives (p. 1)		
Race, Society and Health (p. 1)		
Black Arts, Literature, and Culture (p. 1)		
Black Politics and Social Justice (p. 1)		
<b>One additional course</b>		
Select one additional course from any AFRA Curricular Area <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students may apply AFRA 3295 Special Topics, AFRA 3299 Independent Study, or AFRA 3898 Variable Topics to this requirement.

## Curricular Areas

### Black History

Course	Title	Credits
AFRA/ANTH 3025	Contemporary Africa	3
AFRA/HIST 3206	Black Experience in the Americas	3
AFRA/ANTH 3512	African Archaeology	3
AFRA/HIST 3563	African American History to 1865	3
AFRA/HIST 3564	African American History Since 1865	3
AFRA/HIST 3569	Slavery in Film	3

AFRA/HIST 3618	Comparative Slavery in the Americas	3
AFRA/HIST 3619W	History of the Caribbean	3
AFRA/HIST 2753	History of Modern Africa	3

### Black Diasporic and Global Perspectives

Course	Title	Credits
AFRA/HIST/LLAS 2621	Cuba in Local and Global Perspective	3
AFRA/HIST 2752	Africa in Global History	3
AFRA/ANTH 3155	Anthropology of the African Diaspora	3
AFRA/HIST/LLAS 3208	Making the Black Atlantic	3
AFRA 3224/ HIST 3770	History of Pan Africanism	3
AFRA/HIST 3620	Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Spanish Caribbean	3

### Race, Society, and Health

Course	Title	Credits
AFRA/SOCI 2250		3
AFRA/COGS 2345	Language and Racism	3
AFRA/SOCI 2461	Race, Gender, and U.S. Health Care	3
AFRA/SOCI 2510	Ethnicity and Race	3
AFRA/SOCI 2520	White Racism	3
AFRA/HDFS/WGSS 3042		3
AFRA/PSYC 3106	Black Psychology	3
AFRA/ANTH 3152	Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism	3
AFRA/ANTH 3320	Race, Culture, and Reproductive Health	3

### Black Arts, Literature, and Culture

Course	Title	Credits
AFRA 2214/2214W/ ENGL 2214/2214W	African American Literature	3
AFRA 3050/3050W/ ARTH 3050/3050W		3
AFRA/DRAM 3131/3131W	African-American Theatre	3
AFRA/DRAM 3132	African-American Women Playwrights, 1900 to the present	3
AFRA 3213/3213W/ ENGL 3213/3213W	Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century African American Literature	3
AFRA 3215/3215W/ ENGL 3215/3215W	Twentieth- and Twenty-First Century African American Literature	3
AFRA 3217/3217W/ ENGL 3217/3217W	Studies in African American Literature and Culture	3
AFRA/HIST/AMST 3568	Hip Hop, Politics and Youth Culture in America	3

### Black Politics and Social Justice

Course	Title	Credits
AFRA/SOCI/HRTS 2530	African Americans and Social Protest	3
AFRA 3033/ POLS 3633/PP 3033	Race and Policy	3

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AFRA/POLS 3252	Politics In Africa	3
AFRA/POLS 3642	African-American Politics	3
AFRA/POLS 3647	Black Leadership and Civil Rights	3
AFRA/POLS 3652	Black Feminist Politics	3