

African American Studies, Minor

Requirements

The minor in African American studies requires a minimum of 15 s.h., including 12 s.h. taken at the University of Iowa. At least two of the African American studies core courses must be taken at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass. Coursework completed for another major or minor may not be counted toward the minor in African American studies.

The minor must include the following coursework.

Requirements	Hours
Introductory Courses	6
African American Studies Core	9

Introductory Courses

Students are required to complete the following introductory courses.

Course #	Title	Hours
Both of these:		
AFAM:1020/ AMST:1030	Introduction to African American Culture	3
AFAM:1030	Introduction to African American Society	3

African American Studies Core

Students must complete one course from each of the three topical areas below (9 s.h.), with at least two courses taken at the University of Iowa.

History, Religion, and the Diaspora

Course #	Title	Hours
One of these:		
AFAM:1041/ RELS:1041	African American Religion and Popular Culture	3
AFAM:1250/ RELS:1350	Introduction to African American Religions	3
AFAM:1900	Diverse Topics in African American Studies (when topic is history, religion, or the diaspora)	3
AFAM:2266/ HIST:2266	Civil War and Emancipation	3
AFAM:2267/ HIST:2267	African American History to 1877	3
AFAM:2268/ HIST:2268	African American History Since the Civil War	3
AFAM:2500	Black Culture and Experience: Contemporary Issues (when topic is history, religion, or the diaspora)	3

AFAM:3245/ RELS:3745	Twentieth- and Twenty-first-Century African American Religion: Civil Rights to Black Lives Matter	3
AFAM:3260/ HIST:3260	Violence in Black America	3
AFAM:3262/ HIST:3262	The Black Midwest: History, Literature, and Culture	3
AFAM:3275/ HIST:3275	History of Slavery in North America	3
AFAM:3555/ ENGL:3555	Topics in African Cinema	3
AFAM:3758/ HIST:3758	The Ancient African Past	3
AFAM:3760/ HIST:3760	The Making of Modern Africa	3
AFAM:3900	Topics in African American Studies (when topic is history, religion, or the diaspora)	arr.
AFAM:7205/ GWSS:7205/ HIST:7205	New Histories: U.S. Slavery	arr.
EPLS:5126	Twentieth-Century Educational Movements	2-3

Literature and Performing Arts

Course #	Title	Hours
One of these:		
AFAM:1130	The History of African American Film	3
AFAM:1140/ ARTS:1140	Introduction to Contemporary Black Art: Painting, Performance, and Process	3
AFAM:1240/ MUS:1740	The Art of Listening to Jazz	3
AFAM:1241/ MUS:1741	The Soundtrack of Black America	3
AFAM:1900	Diverse Topics in African American Studies (when topic is literature or performing arts)	3
AFAM:2463/ ENGL:2463	Topics in African American Literature	3
AFAM:2465/ ENGL:2465	Selected African American Authors	3
AFAM:2500	Black Culture and Experience: Contemporary Issues (when topic is literature or performing arts)	3
AFAM:2700/ AMST:2700	The Black Image in Sequential Art: Comics, Graphic Novels, and Anime	3
AFAM:3459/ ENGL:3459	African American Literature Before 1900	3
AFAM:3460/ ENGL:3460	African American Literature After 1900	3
AFAM:3461/ ENGL:3461	Twenty-First Century African American Literature	3
AFAM:3462/ ENGL:3462/ THTR:3462	African American Drama	3

AFAM:3465/ ENGL:3465	African American Autobiography	3
AFAM:3900	Topics in African American Studies (when topic is literature or performing arts)	arr.

Media, Politics, and Social Institutions

Course #	Title	Hours
One of these:		
AFAM:1900	Diverse Topics in African American Studies (when topic is media, politics, or social institutions)	3
AFAM:2064/ SOC:2064	African American Families: Urban and Suburban	3
AFAM:2070/ COMM:2069	Black Television Culture	3
AFAM:2072/ COMM:2072	African American Popular Culture	3
AFAM:2076/ COMM:2076	Race, Ethnicity, and Media	3
AFAM:2079/ SPST:2079	Race and Ethnicity in Sport	3
AFAM:2500	Black Culture and Experience: Contemporary Issues (when topic is media, politics, or social institutions)	3
AFAM:2770/ GHS:2770/ SOC:2770	Black and White Community Politics	3
AFAM:3053/ AMST:3053/ HIST:3253	The Civil Rights Movement	3
AFAM:3100/ AMST:3100/ SOC:3100	Critical Race Theory: Culture, Power, and Society	3
AFAM:3110/ SOC:3110	Race, Organizations, and Workplace	3
AFAM:3500/ HIST:3160/ RELS:3808	Malcolm X, King, and Human Rights	3
AFAM:3600/ AMST:3600	Digitizing Blackness	3
AFAM:3630/ SOC:3630	The Racial Wealth Gap: Black Debt, White Debt	3
AFAM:3900	Topics in African American Studies (when topic is media, politics, or social institutions)	arr.
AFAM:3925/ JMC:3165	African Americans and the Media	3
AFAM:4770/ GHS:4770/ SEES:4770	Environmental Justice	3