

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

University of Massachusetts Boston

AFRICANA STUDIES

FOCUS AREAS & EXPERTISE

- African and African Diaspora History
- African American Politics and Social Movements
- Literature, Art, and Cultural Expression
- Gender and Sexuality in the African Diaspora
- Race, Migration, and Globalization

CURRICULUM



- Take nine electives from courses offered through Africana Studies and approved courses from other departments. -
- Students in the major must specialize in the area of humanities, history, or social science. At least five of the electives taken must be in the student's area of specialization and at least one course must be taken in the other two areas.
- At least three courses must be at the 300-level or higher.
- No more than three courses from other departments may be applied toward this requirement.



DEGREE OPTIONS

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) In Africana Studies
- Minor in Africana Studies

FACULTY

- 4 Tenured
- Non-Tenured-Track 4

COURSES IN HISTORY

- AFRSTY 101 Introduction to Africana Studies
- AFRSTY 110 - African-American History I
- AFRSTY 108 - African-American Social Movements
- AFRSTY 111 - African-American History II
- AFRSTY 225 - The Origins of Caribbean Civilizations
- AFRSTY 230 - African-American Women's History
- AFRSTY 250 - The Civil Rights Movement
- AFRSTY 310 - Modern Caribbean Society
- AFRSTY 480 - Topics in Africana Studies

COURSES IN HUMANITIES

- AFRSTY 100 - Introduction to African-American Literature
- AFRSTY 101 - Introduction to Africana Studies
- AFRSTY 110 - African-American History I
- AFRSTY 111 - African-American History II
- AFRSTY 230 - African-American Women's History
- AFRSTY 260L - African-American Folklore
- AFRSTY 270 - The Black Image on Stage and Screen
- AFRSTY 301 - African-American Intellectual Thought
- AFRSTY 440 - Post-Colonial Literature: Africa and the Caribbean
- AFRSTY 480 - Topics in Africana Studies

COURSES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

- AFRSTY 101 - Introduction to Africana Studies
- AFRSTY 108 - African-American Social Movements
- AFRSTY 250 - The Civil Rights Movement
- AFRSTY 301 - African-American Intellectual Thought
- AFRSTY 320 - Problems in Urban Education
- AFRSTY 480 - Topics in Africana Studies



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ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



- Community-based research and internships
- Student organizations and cultural events
- Honors and independent study options



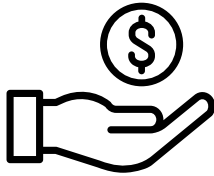
SKILLS

- Critical thinking
- Research
- Communication
- Problem-solving
- Writing, speaking, literacy proficiency
- Collaborative

CAREER OUTCOMES

Become a(n):

- Entrepreneur
- Lawyer
- Politician
- Artist/ Curator
- Community Advocate
- Educator



WHAT YOU'LL LEARN



- Learn about and understand the experiences, cultures, and histories of people of African descent and the African diaspora, including its history, cultures, social structures, and political movements
- Hone your critical thinking and analytical skills through analyzing complex social, political, and cultural issues from multiple perspectives
- Develop effective communication and advocacy skills, including the ability to defend positions on issues related to the African diaspora, both in writing and in oral presentations

AFRICANA STUDIES MINOR REQUIREMENTS

INTRODUCTORY COURSE (3 Credits)

- AFRSTY 110 - African-American History I 3 Credit(s)
- AFRSTY 111 - African-American History II 3 Credit(s)

Electives (12 Credits)

Take four courses offered through Africana Studies at the 200-level or higher. At least two courses must be 300-level or higher.

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Complete 18 credits from six courses, including two introductory courses and four electives.