

Minor

African American Studies Minor

The minor in African American Studies is administered by the Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity (ISRE). Students who wish to qualify for the program must submit a minor declaration form to the African American Studies program.

A variety of courses are offered to meet the requirements of the minor. Interdisciplinary in nature, the African American Studies minor provides an opportunity for students to investigate the history and culture of people of African descent as well as the current political, social, and economic interaction among all members of society.

Requirements

The minor in African American Studies is a 15 credit hour program, which includes the following:

AAST 100S	Introduction to African American Studies *	3
A minimum of six hours of 300/400 level humanities courses from among the following:		6
AAST 395	Topics in African American Studies	
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AAST 495	Topics in African American Studies	
COMM 332	Making African-American Cinema	
COMM 434	African-American Rhetoric Voices of Liberation	
ENGL 465W	African American Literature	
HIST 361	African-American History to 1865	
HIST 362	African-American History Since 1865	
HIST 370	Africa and the Atlantic Slave Trade	
HIST 455	African-American Historiography	
HIST 475	Global Africa	
MUSC 460	History of Jazz	
WMST 302W	Dimensions of Diversity: Intersectionality Among Women	
A minimum of six hours of 300/400 level social science courses from among the following:		6
AAST 305	Africa in Transition	
AAST 310	Human Rights and Social Change in Africa	
AAST 395	Topics in African American Studies	
AAST 396	Topics in African American Studies	
AAST 410	Africana Intellectual Thought and Economic Development	
AAST 420W	African American Political and Social Thought	
AAST 490	Senior Seminar	
AAST 495	Topics in African American Studies	
CRJS/SOC 444	Community Justice	
CRJS/SOC 452	Diversity in Criminal Justice Organizations	
CRJS 450	Blacks, Crime and Justice	
GEOG 452	Africa	
POLS 309	Race, Culture and Public Policy	
POLS 316	Politics of Africa	
POLS 410	African American Politics	
POLS 412	Politics of the Civil Rights Movement	
POLS 439	International Relations of African States	
PSYC 460	Psychology of African Americans	
SOC 320	Social Inequality	

SOC 323	Sociology of Minority Families
SOC 426	Minority Group Relations

Total Credit Hours **15**

* Does not count toward the grade point average required for the minor

With the approval of the director, courses that focus on the African American experience can also fulfill the requirements of the minor.

No course taken to satisfy the requirement of the minor can be from a student's major field.

Students must maintain a 2.00 cumulative grade point average in all courses specified as a requirement for the minor exclusive of 100- and 200-level courses and prerequisite courses. A minimum of six hours in upper-level courses in the minor must be courses offered by Old Dominion University.

Students must file a minor declaration form in the ISRE Resource Center in BAL 2023.