

WHY MAJOR OR MINOR IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES?

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

As the marketplace becomes more and more multicultural, employers look for employees from diverse backgrounds who have training in multicultural and ethnic studies.

EXCITING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



- ❖ Actor/Playwright
- ❖ Aide for Elected Official
- ❖ Elected Official
- ❖ Corporate Management
- ❖ Drama Teacher
- ❖ Entertainment Lawyer
- ❖ Filmmaker/Produce
- ❖ Forensics and Law Enforcement
- ❖ Historian
- ❖ Human Resources Officer
- ❖ Independent Business Owner
- ❖ Lawyer
- ❖ Museum Curator
- ❖ Music Producer
- ❖ Political Consultant
- ❖ Political Staffer
- ❖ Researcher
- ❖ Social Worker
- ❖ Teacher/Professor
- ❖ Writer/Editor



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African-American Studies Major and Minor

The African-American Studies major offers a streamlined opportunity to study the origins, experiences, and conditions of people of African descent. Freshmen and transfer students who petition to become majors or minors are eligible. Continuing students may visit the Af-Amer office (153 Haines) or call (310) 825-9821 to determine if they may benefit from switching to this major.

This major is open to all UCLA undergraduates. All courses must be taken for a letter grade, and students must have a grade-point average of 2.0 in the major.

African-American Studies Minor

The Af-American Studies minor is designed for students wishing to augment their major program of study with a group of related courses from various disciplines germane to Af-American Studies. A maximum of two courses may be double-counted (overlap) with the student’s major or another minor.

Course Requirements for Minor

Lower Division Requirements		Units
Lower Division Prep: Choose 2 of 3	Af-Amer M5: Social Organization of Black Communities (OR)	5
	Af-Amer 6: Trends in Black Intellectual Thought (OR)	4
	Af-Amer M10A: History of Africa to 1800	5
TOTAL UNITS		9

Upper Division Requirements		Units
Required	Choose courses from departments such as: Anthropology, Economics, English, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology	24
TOTAL MINIMUM UD UNITS May double count up to 2 UD courses from major or another minor		24

Major Requirements

Lower Division Requirements		Units
Lower Division Prep (Choose 2 of 3)	Af-Amer M5: Social Organization of Black Communities	5
	Af-Amer 6: Trends in Black Intellectual Thought	4
	Af-Amer M10A: History of Africa to 1800	5
TOTAL UNITS – 2 LD Prep Courses		9

Upper Division Requirements		Units
Required (Choose 2)	Two upper division (UD) Af-Amer history or literature courses: M104A through M104E, M150D, M158A through M158E, M179A	8
Electives	Five upper division electives from the student’s chosen track (Track 1 = Humanities; Track 2 = Social Sciences)	20
Other Electives	Three upper division Af-Amer electives from the other track	12
Non-Afro-Am Studies Breadth Electives	Two outside upper division courses in African, American Indian, Asian American, Chicano/a, or Gender Studies (courses may be cross-listed)	8
TOTAL MINIMUM UD UNITS		48

Double Major Option

When completing the requirements of two majors, up to five upper division courses may be double-counted to satisfy requirements in both majors.

Honors Option for Major

African-American Studies majors with a grade point average of 3.5 or better may complete the honors option by completing an honors thesis with an approved faculty member (Af-Amer 198).