AFRICAN STUDIES, CENTER

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Interdisciplinary Minor in African Studies

The Center for African Studies offers an interdisciplinary minor as a complement to any major. The 20 hours selected by students for the African studies minor should form a coherent program of study. This program must be approved by the Center for African Studies. The Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will verify that the student has completed the program on the recommendation of the Director of the Center for African Studies and on completion of the requirements below.

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Requirements

Study of an indigenous African Language. Acceptable languages include but are not limited to Arabic, Bamana, Lingala, Swahili, Wolof, and Zulu.

**African Studies core courses. These courses contain a minimum of 50 percent African content and are defined according to a list maintained and regularly updated by the Center for African Studies. Courses completed to satisfy the core must come from at least 3 separate departments and must include the following three components:**

Course-work surveying the continent. Choose one of the following:

- AFST 210 Intro to Mod African Lit
- AFST 222 Introduction to Modern Africa
- AFST 254 Economic Systems in Africa
- HIST 110 History of Africa
- SOC 122 Africa in World Perspective

Additional core courses at any level. African language courses may be used to satisfy this requirement if they are at the advanced level (fifth semester or higher). Only 3 hours of AFST 199 may be used to satisfy the requirements of the minor.

Language courses cannot be used to meet this requirement.

Total Hours 20

AFST Class Schedule (https://courses.illinois.edu/schedule/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/AFST)

Courses

AFST 103 Black Women in the Diaspora credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AFRO 103 and GWS 103. See AFRO 103.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: US Minority Culture(s)

AFST 199 Undergraduate Open Seminar credit: 1 to 5 Hours.
May be repeated.

AFST 201 Elementary Bamana I credit: 5 Hours.
Same as BMNA 201. See BMNA 201.

AFST 202 Elementary Bamana II credit: 5 Hours.
Same as BMNA 202. See BMNA 202.

AFST 209 Constr Afr and Carib Identity credit: 3 Hours.
Same as CWL 225, FR 240, and LAST 240. See FR 240.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Non-Western Cultures

AFST 210 Intro to Mod African Lit credit: 3 Hours.
Significant contemporary African writings depicting the history and cultural traditions of African peoples. Same as CWL 210 and ENGL 211.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Literature and the Arts
UIUC: Non-Western Cultures

AFST 211 Elementary Lingala I credit: 5 Hours.
Same as LGLA 201. See LGLA 201.

AFST 212 Elementary Lingala II credit: 5 Hours.
Same as LGLA 202. See LGLA 202.

AFST 222 Introduction to Modern Africa credit: 3 Hours.
Interdisciplinary introduction to Africa dealing with basic themes and problems in the politics, economics, sociology, anthropology, and history of Africa. Same as ANTH 222, PS 242, and SOC 222.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Non-Western Cultures

AFST 231 Elementary Swahili I credit: 5 Hours.
Same as SWAH 201. See SWAH 201.

AFST 232 Elementary Swahili II credit: 5 Hours.
Same as SWAH 202. See SWAH 202.

AFST 241 Elementary Wolof I credit: 5 Hours.
Same as WLOF 201. See WLOF 201.

AFST 242 Elementary Wolof II credit: 5 Hours.
Same as WLOF 202. See WLOF 202.

AFST 243 Pan Africanism credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AFRO 243, PS 243, and SOC 267. See PS 243.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
UIUC: Social Sciences

AFST 251 Elementary Zulu I credit: 5 Hours.
Same as ZULU 201. See ZULU 201.

AFST 252 Elementary Zulu II credit: 5 Hours.
Same as ZULU 202. See ZULU 202.

AFST 254 Economic Systems in Africa credit: 3 Hours.
Same as ACE 254. See ACE 254.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
UIUC: Social Sciences

AFST 266 African Film and Society credit: 3 Hours.
Same as ANTH 266. See ANTH 266.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Non-Western Cultures

AFST 267 Memoirs of Africa credit: 3 Hours.
Same as ANTH 267. See ANTH 267.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Advanced Composition
UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
AFST 312 Central African Art credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ARTH 312. See ARTH 312.

AFST 313 Modern and Contemp African Art credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ARTH 313. See ARTH 313.

AFST 325 Social Media and Global Change credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as EPS 325, ASST 325, EURO 325, INFO 325, LAST 325, REES 325, and SAME 325. See EPS 325.

AFST 403 Intermediate Bamana I credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as BMNA 403. See BMNA 403.

AFST 404 Intermediate Bamana II credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as BMNA 404. See BMNA 404.

AFST 405 Topics Swahili Lang & Lit I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 407. See SWAH 407.

AFST 406 Topics Swahili Lang & Lit II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 408. See SWAH 408.

AFST 407 Adv Topics Swahili Lang&Lit I credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 409. See SWAH 409.

AFST 408 Adv Topics Swahili Lang&Lit II credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 410. See SWAH 410.

AFST 410 Modern African Fiction credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Examines selected major African novels along thematic and formal lines; literary responses to colonialism and political independence and the crises that accompanied both in Africa; and study of critical approaches to the African novel and African characteristics of and contribution to the novel as a genre. Readings in English. Same as CWL 410, ENGL 470, and FR 410. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: AFST 210 or AFST 222, or junior standing.

AFST 412 Lang in African Culture & Soc credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as LING 412. See LING 412.

AFST 413 Intermediate Lingala I credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 403. See LGLA 403.

AFST 414 Intermediate Lingala II credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 404. See LGLA 404.

AFST 415 Advanced Lingala I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 405. See LGLA 405.

AFST 416 Advanced Lingala II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 406. See LGLA 406.

AFST 417 Topics Lingala Lang & Lit I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 407. See LGLA 407.

AFST 418 Topics Lingala Lang & Lit II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LGLA 408. See LGLA 408.

AFST 420 Africana Feminisms credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as AFRO 415 and GWS 415. See AFRO 415.

AFST 421 Sacred African Diaspora Arts credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as ARTH 413. See ARTH 413.

AFST 425 Southern Africa Race & Power credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as HIST 412. See HIST 412.

AFST 431 Advanced Bamana I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as BMNA 405. See BMNA 405.

AFST 432 Advanced Bamana II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as BMNA 406. See BMNA 406.

AFST 433 Intermediate Swahili I credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 403. See SWAH 403.

AFST 434 Intermediate Swahili II credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 404. See SWAH 404.

AFST 435 Advanced Swahili I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 405. See SWAH 405.

AFST 436 Advanced Swahili II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as SWAH 406. See SWAH 406.

AFST 437 Egypt Since World War I credit: 2 to 4 Hours.  
Same as HIST 438. See HIST 438.

AFST 443 Intermediate Wolof I credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 403. See WLOF 403.

AFST 444 Intermediate Wolof II credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 404. See WLOF 404.

AFST 445 Advanced Wolof I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 405. See WLOF 405.

AFST 446 Advanced Wolof II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 406. See WLOF 406.

AFST 447 Topics Wolof Lang & Lit I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 407. See WLOF 407.

AFST 448 Topics Wolof Lang & Lit II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as WLOF 408. See WLOF 408.

AFST 451 Intermediate Zulu I credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as ZULU 403. See ZULU 403.

AFST 452 Intermediate Zulu II credit: 4 Hours.  
Same as ZULU 404. See ZULU 404.

AFST 453 Advanced Zulu I credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ZULU 405. See ZULU 405.

AFST 454 Advanced Zulu II credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ZULU 406. See ZULU 406.

AFST 467 Kinship-Culture-Power-Africa credit: 2 or 4 Hours.  
Same as ANTH 469. See ANTH 469.

AFST 468 Religions of Africa credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as ANTH 468 and RLST 468. See ANTH 468.

AFST 469 Structure of Semitic Languages credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as LING 469. See LING 469.

AFST 478 African Immigrants in Europe credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as ANTH 478 and EURO 478. See ANTH 478.

AFST 484 African Urbanization credit: 3 or 4 Hours.  
Same as SOC 484. See SOC 484.

AFST 490 Independent Study credit: 1 to 4 Hours.  
Supervised readings and research in selected fields in consultation with the instructor. 1 to 3 undergraduate hours. 1 to 4 graduate hours. May be repeated in separate terms up to 9 undergraduate hours or 12 graduate hours, if topics vary. Prerequisite: Consent of the Center for African Studies.