

Africana Studies

Students who wish to enroll in Africana Studies as their sole or primary major will be expected to fulfill the general requirements of the College of Liberal Arts. Students who wish to enroll in Africana Studies as an added major and who are primarily enrolled in a college at SIU other than the College of Liberal Arts must fulfill their college's general requirements. Only Africana Studies courses completed with at least a C will fulfill the major requirement.

Africana Studies courses do not require prerequisites.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Africana Studies Degree Requirements

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
University Core Curriculum Requirements - Must include AFR 215 and AD 227	39
College of Liberal Arts Academic Requirements	14
Africana Studies Requirements - AFR 109; AFR 209; AFR 215; AFR 311A; AFR 311B; AFR 334; AFR 375; AFR 475; AFR 494; AFR 496; or AFR 499; AD 227	41
Electives for Specialization	
Three 3-hour courses from any of the following: AFR Courses (300- or 400-level; including "African Cultural Continuities"); Approved courses in Fine Arts/Humanities (Music, Theater, Communication Studies, Art and Design, Cinema, Radio, Television & Digital Media, Philosophy, English); Approved courses in Social Sciences (History, Sociology, Psychology, Anthropology, Social Work, Political Science).	(9)
All Africana Studies majors will be advised to take at least one section of AFR 399 ("Independent Study") which will be a focused opportunity for assessment of student learning.	
Electives	26
Total	120

Africana Studies Minor

A minor in Africana Studies consists of a minimum of 18 credit hours, which are to be selected from Africana Studies course offerings and organized according to each individual student's field of interest. Africana Studies AFR 311A and AFR 311B are required for the minor.

Africana Studies courses do not require prerequisites.

Cultural Competency Minor

The multidisciplinary minor in Cultural Competency enhances the perspectives of students working within culturally diverse communities on a national, international, and global scale. Students completing this minor will be better prepared to thrive and be successful in a diverse workplace. The minor is beneficial to students whose career path requires them to be effective professionals, such as teachers, nurses, social workers, journalists as well as technicians, engineers, and scientists. Area focus, such as East Asia, the Middle East, South America, Latin America, and the Caribbean, as well as LGBTQ+ and disabilities, is an integral part of the minor.

The minor requires 18 credit hours of course work and independent study. Within these 18 credit hours, credit hours must be taken outside the student's primary discipline. The student must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program at SIUC.

Students who wish to enroll in this minor must consult with the Director of the School of Africana and Multicultural Studies.

Cultural Competency Minor Requirements

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
Core Requirements: ANTH 470A, AFR 499, AFR 499B	9
Elective Courses: AFR 495, AFR 360 or HIST 361, AFR 449, AFR 472, AFR 487, ANTH 202, ANTH 204, ANTH 240D, CMST 201, CMST 241, CMST 301I, CMST 441, CMST 448, CCJ 203, CCJ 340, PSYC 223, PSYC 233, PSYC 334, SOC 215, SOC 435, SOC 437, SOC 438, SOC 455, WGSS 426, WGSS 456, WGSS 489 ¹	9
Total	18

¹ Other relevant courses as approved by the Director of the School of Africana and Multicultural Studies.

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