

**AFRICAN  
AMERICAN AND  
AFRICAN STUDIES**

**AAAS**

**College of Arts and Letters**

**100 Race and Community in Local to Global Perspective**  
Fall. 3(3-0)

Multifaceted topics and dialogue on race. Race as an intractable and enduring feature of politics and society. Racial formations. Individual identities, collective action, and social structures. Ways that racial categories remain an organizing principle. Core focus on African American, African diaspora, and continental African sites of analysis.

**300 Survey in Africana Studies**  
Fall, Summer. 3(3-0) Summer: Detroit. R: Approval of department.

Core conceptual elements of Africana Studies discipline and peoples (African Americans, Africans and African Diasporas), including topics in race, identity, the Black condition, representational discourses, discrimination, oppression, resistance and alternative agency. Field trip required.

**390 Special Topics in Black/Africana Studies**  
Spring. 3(3-0) R: Open to students in the African American and African Studies Specialization.

Special topics in African American, African, and African Diaspora studies. Topics are selected from sub-genres of Black/Africana Studies.

**490 Independent Study in African American and African Studies**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Open to undergraduate students in the African American History and Culture Specialization or in the African American and African Studies Minor.

Independent study in select and specialized topics in African American, African Diaspora and African Studies: special projects, directed reading and research.

**495 Advanced Research in African American and African Studies**

Spring, Summer of odd years. 3(3-0) Summer: Africa. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: ISS 215 R: Open to undergraduate students in the African American History and Culture Specialization or in the African American and African Studies Minor. SA: AL 495

Advanced undergraduate research course in African American, African and African Diaspora Studies. Review of interdisciplinary topics that inform these Africana regions, including slavery, race, colonialism, civil and human rights, identity and discourse and political philosophies, including Black Nationalism African Centered paradigms, and Black Feminism. Participation in the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum. Field trip required.

**829 Introduction to African Studies**  
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 829

Role that Africa plays in shaping Black Studies. From the original Pan Africanist writings of 19th century scholars, WEB DuBois and Edward Blyden to the more contemporary tripartite ideological perspectives on the study of Africa placing Africans and African scholars at the construction and center of critical analysis.

**830 Introduction to African American Studies**  
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 830

Builds on Manning Marable's disciplinary mission for Black Studies with the foundational principles, themes and elements of the Black Studies field of study anchored by the African American experience. Prepares students to conduct advanced research study and specialized knowledge production required for dissertation study of African Americans.

**831 Introduction to African Diaspora Studies**  
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 831

African Diaspora on a global scale; regarding broad issues of disciplinary scaffolding and definition, foundational debates, and a selection of key themes driving recent scholarship in this field. Topics include case studies of the Yoruba Diaspora and the Mande Atlantic, creolization and fluidity, Africa's role in the making of the Americas, Africa in the Colombian exchange, spiritual communities, transatlantic slavery and liberation

**832 Multicultural Pedagogy in African American and African Studies**

Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: (AAAS 829 or concurrently) and (AAAS 830 or concurrently) and (AAAS 831 or concurrently) R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 832

A methodological, theoretical and experiential framework for its participants to obtain a better understanding of the appropriate supervision and mentoring of the multi-cultural and diverse undergraduate learner.

**890 Independent Study in African American and African Studies**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 R: Open to graduate students.

Faculty-supervised independent graduate study in African American and African Studies.

**891 Special Topics in African American and African Studies**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to graduate students.

Special topics in African American, African and African Diaspora Studies.

**893A Domestic Internship in African American and African Studies**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 2 credits. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 and AAAS 831 and AAAS 832 R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 893A

Internship with community based organizations, non-governmental organizations or educational and governmental institutions whose core entrepreneurial activity and mission is to work with African American, African or African descendant communities and policy issues. Facilitates the "communal component" of the discipline.

**893C International Internship in African American and African Studies**  
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 2 credits. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 and AAAS 831 R: Open to graduate students. SA: AL 893C

Internship with international community based organizations, non-governmental organizations or educational and governmental institutions whose core entrepreneurial activity and mission is to work with African or African descendant communities and policy issues. Field trips required.

**898 Master's Research**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 3 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 and AAAS 831 and AAAS 832 or approval of department R: Open to graduate students in the African American and African Studies major. Approval of department.

Directed research in support of Plan B master's program requirements.

**899 Master's Thesis Research**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 2 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 4 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 and AAAS 831 or approval of department R: Open to graduate students in the African American and African Studies major.

Master's thesis research.

**999 Doctoral Dissertation Research**

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 36 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: AAAS 829 and AAAS 830 and AAAS 831 and AAAS 832 R: Open to graduate students in the African American and African Studies Major.

Doctoral dissertation research.