

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

African and African American Studies, B. A.

The sequence below is only meant to suggest courses. In general the AAAS major is not sequenced, which makes it possible for students to take classes that interest them when they are offered. Most upper-level AAAS electives are offered on a four-semester rotation, giving students in their junior and senior years the opportunity to take most of the program's advanced courses. The outline below does not account for any student who is completing the Honors program.

The AAAS program offers Foundational Studies (FS) courses that are open to majors in the following areas: Global Perspectives and Cultural Diversity (AFRI 113, 212, and 222); Ethics and Social Responsibility (AFRI 323); and Upper-Division Integrative Electives (AFRI 312 and 329; HIST 320 and 345).

The AAAS program faculty strongly recommends that all AAAS majors finish the B. A. degree (rather than the B. S.) and also complete at least one minor, but preferably two if one of those is a Language Studies minor. Those courses are included in the outline below. Within the Department we offer a minor (and major) in History, a curriculum which includes a number of courses that are also AAAS electives (please consult your advisor or the program website (www.indstate.edu/afri) to see a list of approved electives. Students who choose to complete the B. S. degree should be able to complete an additional minor (not Language Studies) or two majors.

Thus, the hypothetical student who completes the curriculum below would finish with a B. A. in African and African American Studies, a Language Studies minor, and another minor. As suggested in the outline below, a student could quite easily complete another (third) minor or a second major instead of two minors.

The AAAS program faculty also recommends that all AAAS majors consider studying abroad for one semester.

All majors, of course, should consult frequently with their academic advisor in the Department.

First year

Fall Semester (14 credits)

AFRI 113	Introduction to African and African American Studies (FS elective, Global Perspectives & Cultural Diversity)	3 credits
HIST 202	The United States since 1877 (FS elective, Historical Studies)	3 credits
ENG 101	Freshman Writing I (FS requirement)	3 credits
COMM 101	Introduction to Speech Communication (FS requirement)	3 credits
PE 101/101L	Fitness for Life with Lab (FS Requirement)	2 credits

Spring Semester (15 credits)

AFRI 212	African American Cultural Traditions	3 credits
AFRI 222	African Cultural Traditions	3 credits
ENG 105	Freshman Writing II (FS requirement)	3 credits
	Quantitative Literacy or Math FS elective	3 credits
LLL 200	Foundation course for Language Studies Minor	3 credits

Second Year

Fall Semester (16 credits)

AFRI elective	200- or 300-level elective is recommended	3 credits
	Foreign language sequence I	3 credits
	Minor, required course	3 credits
	Laboratory Science FS elective + Lab	4 credits
	Literary Studies FS elective	3 credits

Spring Semester (15 credits)

AFRI 312	The African Diaspora	3 credits
AFRI elective	200- or 300-level elective is recommended	3 credits
	Foreign language sequence II	3 credits
	Ethics/Social Responsibility FS elective	3 credits
	Social/Behavioral Science FS elective	3 credits

Third Year

Fall Semester (18 credits)

AFRI elective	upper-division elective	3 credits
	Fine & Performing Arts FS elective	3 credits
	Foreign language sequence III	3 credits
	Minor, required course	3 credits
	Minor, required course	3 credits
ENG 305	Junior composition FS requirement	3 credits

Spring Semester (15 credits)

AFRI elective	upper-division elective	3 credits
AFRI elective	upper-division elective	3 credits
	Foreign language sequence IV	3 credits
	Minor, elective	3 credits
	Upper-division integrative elective FS elective	3 credits

Fourth Year

Fall Semester (15 credits)

AFRI elective	upper-division elective	3 credits
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	Minor, elective	3 credits
	Elective	3 credits
	Foreign Language elective	3 credits

Spring Semester (16 credits)

AFRI 486	Senior Seminar in African and African American Studies	3 credits
AFRI elective	upper-division elective	3 credits
	Minor, elective	3 credits
	Elective	3 credits
	Elective	3 credits
	Elective	1 credit