AFRICANA STUDIES

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Dept. Code: AAS

Introduction
The Program in Africana Studies (AAS) provides opportunities for students to learn about the experiences of people of African descent in North and South America, the Caribbean and continental Africa. Courses are presently offered leading to a major or minor in Africana Studies. Students are encouraged to pursue these courses, even if they are not majors or minors, in order to achieve a balanced education in keeping with the stated goals of the University of Miami.

Educational Objectives
1. To help students research, acquire, and disseminate information about the historical and social experiences of Africans and people of African descent on all sides of the Atlantic basin, but with special emphasis on the United States.
2. To facilitate students’ understanding of the multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, globalized society of our time.
3. To help students think critically about the global black experience.
4. To prepare students for graduate work and professional careers.

Departmental Honors
Carter G. Woodson Award - Best all-round student who combines intellectual excellence and community service.

Advanced Writing Requirement
To satisfy the College of Arts & Sciences writing requirement in the discipline, students majoring in Africana Studies should take at least one English course or one History course related to Africana Studies and is listed as an advanced writing course, and any Africana Studies course with the Writing Credit designation.

AAS 150. Introduction to Africana Studies. 3 Credit Hours.
Experiences of African American and other African-descended peoples with emphases on social, cultural, political, etc.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AAS 260. History of Slavery in the Atlantic. 3 Credit Hours.
The emergence and eventual abolition of the Trans-Atlantic slave trade and its effects on both old and new world.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

AAS 290. Special Topics. 3 Credit Hours.
Content varies by semester.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

AAS 350. Black Leadership in the U.S.. 3 Credit Hours.
Black leaders and leadership organizations. Emphasis on their role in overcoming oppression and barriers to advancement.
Prerequisite: 3 Credits in AAS.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AAS 390. Special Topics. 3 Credit Hours.
Content varies by semester.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AAS 490. Senior Seminar in Africana Studies. 3 Credit Hours.
Content varies by semester.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.