

Department of Africology and African American Studies

List of Winter 2021 Undergraduate Courses and their Descriptions

***(Gen Ed courses are marked with an asterisk.)**

*** AFC 101 Introduction to Africology and African American Studies (CRN #s 20924 (hybrid), 20926 (hybrid), & 21573 (wholly online))** (03 hrs)

This is an introductory examination of the African American experience. It acquaints students with the trends, issues and forces that have shaped that experience; it considers the concepts of cultural adaptation, institutional development, and group self-definition; and it surveys the contemporary status and condition of African Americans.

(AFC 101 counts towards the US Diversity area of the General Education Program. It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies.)

*** AFC 102 Introduction to African Civilization (CRN 20929 (wholly online))** (03 hrs)

This course is designed to provide the student with an introductory knowledge of centers of African civilization from antiquity to the 1960s. Those centers include ancient Egypt, Songhai, Kilwa, and Monomotapa.

(AFC 102 counts towards the Global Awareness area of the General Education Program. It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies.)

AFC 211 – Black Caribbean World (CRN 23006)(wholly online)

This interdisciplinary course provides an overview of the Caribbean region within a global context focusing on history and cultural production. **(AFC 211 counts towards the Global Awareness area of the General Education Program. It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies.)**

AFC 231 Race, Urbanization & Policy Mindset (03 hrs)(CRN 24191) (hybrid)

This course examines African American urbanization, and the insight that process provides into patterns of thought, policy formulation and organizational growth among African Americans. It offers perspective on the *corpus* of knowledge regarding the African American experience, on the disciplinary tools furthering that inquiry and on policy choices in post-industrial society.

*** AFC 244 - Dimensions of Racism (03 hrs)(CRN #s 22111 (hybrid), 24192 (hybrid), & 21978 remote online lecture)** This course examines various theoretical approaches to the concepts of race, ethnicity, and diversity. This course offers the opportunity to acquire an understanding of the interrelated dynamics that diversity of people, culture, religious beliefs, and ideologies play in the creation of new nations; how they can determine political and/or economic alliances; how they can shape or reshape the global order; how they can influence systems of exclusion and produce practices of intolerance. **(This course meets the outcomes for two Gen Ed areas, Global Awareness & Knowledge of the Disciplines (SS). It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies. It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies).**

AFC 245 - Slavery in the American Imagination (03 hrs)(crn 24193)(remote online lecture) This course shines a light on the origins of the structures and institutions that have shaped contemporary American society by way of the imaginary, exploring the ways in which historical and contemporary literary, visual, and filmic production reflects and comments on the history of slavery and its legacy.

AFC 301 - Research Methods in Africology & African American Studies (03 hrs)(crn 20933) (hybrid) Provides intensive exposure to research methods in Africology and African American studies, and offers an opportunity for primary research in the field.

***AFC 302W -Writing for African American Studies (03 hrs)(CRN 20932)(wholly online)** Gen Ed Area I, W)
This course will help students produce research papers, construct analytical reviews and perform documentary research needed to better explore the literature, culture and institutional and social processes that define the field of African American Studies. Prerequisite: ENGL 121

AFC 312 African Civilization (03 hrs)(CRN 20930) (wholly online)
This course is designed to provide the student with an interdisciplinary knowledge of centers of African civilization from antiquity to the 1960s. Those centers include ancient Egypt, Songhai, Kilwa and Monomotapa.

*** AFC 313 Online Contemporary Africa: The Struggle and Prospects (CRN 21574)(wholly online)** This course serves as a survey of Africa's contemporary political economy. In examining postcolonial developments, the course focuses on regional and national strategies for

social transformation. (AFC 313 counts towards the Global Awareness area of the General Education Program. It also counts towards the Major and Minor in Africology and African American Studies.)

**AFC 362 - Black Women: Religion and Sexism (03 hrs)(crn 20931)
(remote online lecture)**

An introduction to the social and political role of Black women in African American religious institutions. Particular attention will be placed on how African American religion has limited the power of women. Additionally, the course will examine the historical evolution of the various major black denominations in America and their political and social roles in African American communities.

AFC 370 - Films of the African American Experience (03 hrs)(crn 24195) (Remote Online Lecture)

This course examines African American literature that has been adapted to film. Film history about African American involvement in the industry, including filmmakers is studied. The course involves developing techniques of analyzing fiction and drama as well as film adaptations of the African American experience.

***AFC 402L4 Internship Seminar in Africology and African American Studies (03 hrs)(CRN 21575)(wholly online)**

AFC 402 African American Studies Internship Seminar (03 hrs) is designed as an online practicum during which majors and minors in African American Studies can acquire a practical experience of an African American organization or any organization that serves a diverse clientele. Through placement in an approved organization, a major or minor is expected to accomplish two main goals: (1) achieve a hands-on understanding of the internal and external dynamics faced by the organization, and (2) apply his/her theoretical knowledge of African American Studies to duties and services performed as part of the internship. (Note that AFC 402L4 also serves as an option for satisfying General Education's Learning Beyond the Classroom requirement through Group 4, LB4=Career and Professional Development. It also counts towards the Major in Africology and African American Studies).