

# AFRICAN STUDIES

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Not all courses are offered every semester. Refer to the schedule of courses for each term's specific offerings.

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*Unless otherwise indicated in the course description, all courses at the University of Florida are taught in English, with the exception of specific foreign language courses.*

## Center Information

As a National Resource Center for African Studies, the mission of the center is to promote excellence in teaching and research on Africa in all the disciplines at the University of Florida. The Center for African Studies also disseminates knowledge about Africa to the wider community through an integrated outreach program to schools, colleges, community groups, and businesses.

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## Curriculum

- African Studies Minor

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## Courses

### AFA 4956 Overseas Studies 1-15 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Overseas Studies

### AFH 3100 Africa to 1800 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Ancient Africa, the expansion of Islam, savannah kingdoms, East African trading cities, maritime contacts with Europe, the slave trade. (H and N)

**Attributes:** General Education - Humanities, General Education - International

### AFS 2002 The African Experience: An Introduction to African Studies 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Introductory study of African society and culture that examines the richness, diversity, and time-depth of African civilizations. (S and N)

**Attributes:** General Education - International, General Education - Social Science

### AFS 3300 Poverty and Development in Africa 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Contemporary study of development issues in Africa, their challenges and possible solutions; theme based and includes economic development, agriculture and the environment, social issues and gender equality, and democracy and political development.

### AFS 3352 Culture, Health and Arts in Sub-Saharan Africa 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Explores Sub-Saharan African cultures, health issues and belief systems related to health and the arts. Also provides a framework to better understand health and health care systems in other cultures.

**Prerequisite:** junior standing or 6 credits minimum from AFH 2000 or AFS 2002 or AFS 4905 or AFS 4935 or HUM 2420 or HUM 2424.

### AFS 3800 Childhood in African Literature and Cinema 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Explores African conceptions of childhood through the mediums of literature and film; examines how childhood is represented in diverse African cultures.

### AFS 3930 Special Topics in African Studies 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Selected variable topics in African Studies.

**Prerequisite:** Junior standing or higher or AFS 2002 with minimum grade of C.

### AFS 4240 The African Family 3 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Understanding African societies south of the Sahara through the study of the functions, roles and meanings of households and families. Emphasizes diversity within and commonalities among the myriad forms of African families.

**AFS 4315 Critical Issues in Contemporary Africa 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Upper-division seminar that discusses perspectives on conflict resolution, corruption, economic development, environmental management, food security, governance, international assistance and public health in contemporary Africa. In addition, enhances skills in analysis, discussion and debate.

**AFS 4330 Women and Politics in Africa 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Introduces historical and contemporary roles of women in African political systems, from local to national governance.

**AFS 4340 Community Conservation and Rural Development in Africa 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Examines the practicalities and theoretical foundations of community conservation in Africa, with particular attention to the relationship between conservation and rural development issues. Main themes include property rights, governance and local-global relations.

**AFS 4345 Political Economy of Conservation in Africa 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Analyzes effectiveness of diverse approaches to natural resource preservation and uses. Case studies are primarily from southern and eastern Africa and readings focus on political and economic aspects of conservation strategies.

**AFS 4365 Urban Africa Today 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Interdisciplinary seminar incorporates scholarship from anthropology, geography, history, political science, sociology, and urban planning to understand African cities, their rapid growth, and their future development.

**Prerequisite:** junior standing or 6 credits minimum from AFS 2002 or AFS 3300 or AFS 4260 or AFS 4315 or AFS 4330 or AFS 4350 or AFS 4935.

**AFS 4905 Individual Work 1-9 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Individual study and research for topics not covered in other courses.

**AFS 4911 Undergraduate Research in African Studies 0-3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides firsthand, supervised research. Projects may involve inquiry, design, investigation, scholarship, discovery, or application.

**AFS 4935 African Studies Interdisciplinary Seminar 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Seminar on a selected interdisciplinary theme.

**Prerequisite:** junior or senior standing, or instructor permission.

**AFS 4940 African Studies Internship 1-3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** S/U

Complements an Africa-related internship experience through guided reflection, critical analysis, synthesis, and discussion.

**Prerequisite:** junior standing or higher and undergraduate coordinator approval.

**AHM 1130 Beginning Amharic 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning study covering four skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

**AHM 1131 Beginning Amharic 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** AHM 1130 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AHM 2200 Intermed Amharic 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** AHM 1131 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AHM 2201 Intermediate Amharic 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of intermediate study.

**Prerequisite:** AHM 2200 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AHM 3410 Advanced Amharic 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

**Prerequisite:** AHM 2201 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AHM 3411 Advanced Amharic 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of advanced study.

**Prerequisite:** AHM 3410 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**AKA 1130 Beginning Akan 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning study covering four skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.

**AKA 1131 Beginning Akan 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** AKA 1130 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**AKA 2200 Intermediate Akan 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** AKA 1131 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AKA 2201 Intermediate Akan 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of intermediate study.

**Prerequisite:** AKA 2200 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AKA 3410 Advanced Akan 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

**Prerequisite:** AKA 2201 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**AKA 3411 Advanced Akan 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of advanced study.

**Prerequisite:** AKA 3410 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**ARA 1130 Beginning Arabic 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning study covering four skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

**ARA 1131 Beginning Arabic 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** ARA 1130 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**ARA 2220 Intermediate Arabic 1 4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of the study of standard Arabic language. Develops reading, writing, listening and speaking skills and helps with comprehension of written and audio texts. Students can use their knowledge of the Arabic language to clearly express their personal views in a meaningful and well-structured language.

**Prerequisite:** ARA 1131 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**ARA 2221 Intermediate Arabic 2 4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continues the study of Arabic language at the intermediate level. Emphasizes developing reading comprehension, writing, listening and speaking, and vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** ARA 1131 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**ARA 3410 Advanced Arabic 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

**Prerequisite:** ARA 2221 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**ARA 3411 Advanced Arabic 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of advanced study.

**Prerequisite:** ARA 3410 with minimum grade of C or the equivalent.

**HUM 2420 African Humanities 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Similar in philosophy and purpose to the basic sequence, with content selected from the philosophies, literature, arts, and music of various African countries and regions.

**Attributes:** General Education - Humanities, General Education - International

**HUM 2424 African Cultures and Literatures 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A culturally based study of folktales, proverbs, drama, poetry and novels; and how these forms are used to portray African arts and ideas. (H and N)

**Attributes:** General Education - Humanities, General Education - International

**SSA 3730 Language in African Society 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The role of language in the development of African societies. Language and nation building. (S and N)

**Attributes:** General Education - International, General Education - Social Science

**SSA 4930 Special Topics in African Studies 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Variable topics dealing with specific issues in African studies.

**SST 2501 African Elements in the Americas 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Traces African influence in the Americas from the arrival of Africans on the continent until the present.

**SWA 1130 Beginning Swahili 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning study covering four skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.

**SWA 1131 Beginning Swahili 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** SWA 1130 with minimum grade of C, or S, or the equivalent.

**SWA 2200 Intermediate Swahili 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** SWA 1131 with minimum grade of C or S, or the equivalent.

**SWA 2201 Intermediate Swahili 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** SWA 2200 with minimum grade of C or S, or the equivalent.

**SWA 3410 Advanced Swahili 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

**Prerequisite:** SWA 2201 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**SWA 3411 Advanced Swahili 2 3 Credits**

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Continuation of advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

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**WOL 1130 Beginning Wolof 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

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**WOL 1131 Beginning Wolof 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** WOL 1130 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**WOL 2200 Intermediate Wolof 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** WOL 1131 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

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Continuation of intermediate study.

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**WOL 3411 Advanced Wolof 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of advanced study of the four skills with attention to more complex structures.

**Prerequisite:** WOL 3410 with minimum grade of C, or the equivalent.

**YOR 1130 Beginning Yoruba 1 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning study covering four skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.

**YOR 1131 Beginning Yoruba 2 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued study of the four skills with additional vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** YOR 1130 with minimum grade of C or S, or the equivalent.

**YOR 2200 Intermediate Yoruba 1 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Intermediate study of the four skills with new vocabulary and grammar.

**Prerequisite:** YOR 1131 with minimum grade of C or S, or the equivalent.

**YOR 2201 Intermediate Yoruba 2 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

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