

# AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (AFRIAMR)

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## Courses

### **AFRIAMR 100 INTRODUCTION TO BLACK CULTURE 3 Units**

This course is an introduction to the experiences, literature, art and music of Black people. Emphasis will be placed on major Black contributions to American culture. Special attention will be paid to Black studies as a discipline.

### **AFRIAMR 141 MODERN BLACK AMERICAN HISTORY 3 Units**

A critical examination and analysis of the status and role of Black Americans in the United States since 1865.

### **AFRIAMR 241 CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY: TRAVELING FREEDOM'S MAIN LINE 3 Units**

Explores the origins, history, and legacies of the Black civil rights movement (c. 1950s - 1970s) at many of the sites where this history was made (includes multi-state travel). Learning through place promotes an experiential understanding of this freedom struggle and how it changed the people who made it and the nation.

PREREQ: MINIMUM SOPHOMORE STANDING

### **AFRIAMR 261 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POLITICS 3 Units**

The course examines the African-American experience of race, ethnicity, class, and gender within the context of American political landscape. It will therefore explore the unique history, content and forms of African-American political participation as well as their struggle for freedom and equality as full citizens in the workings of various American political institutions.

### **AFRIAMR 270 THE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY: A SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE 3 Units**

This course provides lower level undergraduate students with systematic sociological understanding of the historical and current experiences of African American people.

### **AFRIAMR 321 A HISTORY OF BLACK MIGRATION IN THE U.S. 3 Units**

This course will examine and analyze the impact of Black migration from rural south to the northern urban centers since the turn of the century.

PREREQ: SOPHOMORE STANDING OR CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

### **AFRIAMR 345 AFRICAN-AMERICAN LITERATURE, 1800 TO PRESENT 3 Units**

A survey of essays, prose fiction, drama, and poetry written by African-Americans from the colonial period to the present.

PREREQ: ENGLISH 102 OR ENGLISH 105

### **AFRIAMR 365 BLACK POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THOUGHT 3 Units**

This course will utilize a Pan-African approach to provide an organized and systematic pattern of social and political ideologies/thought put forth by Black publicists and theorists concerning the organization of their society. As such, it will survey the principal personalities and major protest movements that have emerged in the Diaspora African Community, as well as pay special attention to selected African ideologies and personalities involved in shaping Black political and social thought.

PREREQ: AFRIAMR 100 OR POLISCI 141 OR RACEETH 217 OR POLISCI 217 OR POLISCI 250

### **AFRIAMR 397 CURRENT ISSUES IN BLACK STUDIES: HUMANITIES 3 Units**

This seminar course addresses the appeal of Black power as a polemic, protest and propaganda in the context of the Black experience in the United States. The primary materials will be speeches, documentaries, comic routines, mime groups, theatre and cinema. The approach is rhetorical and focuses on the ways in which statements are made and the effect they may have on the immediate audience and beyond.

### **AFRIAMR 461 GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF AFRICA 3 Units**

The course will critically analyze the political events, major problems, processes and trends in Sub-Saharan African politics and society. It will also attempt to examine the prospects for economic development and democracy in contemporary Africa. Some African countries will be selected for special attention.

PREREQ: SOPHOMORE STANDING OR CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

### **AFRIAMR 490 WORKSHOP *Repeatable* 1-3 Units**

Variable topics. Group activity oriented presentations emphasizing "hands on" and participatory instructional techniques. Repeatable

### **AFRIAMR 491 TRAVEL STUDY *Repeatable* 1-3 Units**

Variable topics. Faculty-led courses abroad. Repeatable

### **AFRIAMR 494 SEMINAR *Repeatable* 3 Units**

Variable topics. Group activity oriented presentations emphasizing hands on and participatory instructional techniques.

### **AFRIAMR 496 SPECIAL STUDIES *Repeatable* 2-4 Units**

Variable topics. Group activity. Not offered regularly in the curriculum but offered on topics selected on the basis of timeliness, need, and interest, and generally in the format of regularly scheduled Catalog offerings.

### **AFRIAMR 498 INDEPENDENT STUDY *Repeatable* 2-3 Units**

Study of a selected topic or topics under the direction of a faculty member.