Africana Studies Graduate Certificate

* The graduate program of the Department of Africana Studies provides students with critical exposure to the multidisciplinary study of people and cultures of African descent in the United States, Caribbean, Latin America, Africa and Europe. The graduate program in Africana Studies provides a balance of a foundation in Africana Studies, and multidisciplinary research methods in Africana Studies, with opportunities for advanced study in the four pillars of the Department: Pan African consciousness, public humanities and social justice, gender and sexuality studies and/ or visual and material culture.

Graduate Certificate in Africana Studies meets the need for academic inquiry and excellence at the graduate level spanning the experiences, history and perspectives of African heritage peoples, and enhance professional development in a range of careers and professions where knowledge and increased understanding of Black communities past and present are important. Included among these areas are education, health sciences, public health, public service, political advocacy, social welfare, museum curatorship, cinema studies and teaching.

This certificate program allows master’s and doctoral students in other disciplines to amplify the Africana analysis in their own course of study. Some may simply want to explore a specific area reflected in their course of study. Others may wish to pursue employment for which a certificate in Africana Studies is deemed an advantage. The Certificate’s flexibility allows the Department to accept five to fifteen (5-15) students per year between existing UD programs and any non-degree students from the Delaware community. Students completing the Graduate Certificate in Africana Studies, will be able to:

* + Discuss foundational theories of Africana Studies
  + Articulate multidisciplinary research methods in Africana Studies
  + Analyze historic and contemporary issues through a Pan African lens

12 CREDITS REQUIRED:

Required courses:

AFRA 600: Foundations in Africana Studies

AFRA 601: Africana Research Methods

Two elective classes: one each in two of the four pillars of Africana Studies

Pan Africanism

SOCI 661: Racial Stratification

HIST 640: Africa Under Colonial Rule

Public Humanities/ Scholarship/ Social Justice

AFRA: 651: Becoming a Public Scholar Activist

AFRA 650: Street Ethnography/Black Communities Studies

Blackness, Gender, Sexuality

AFRA 628: Modern African American History

AFRA 630: Expressive Cultures in the African Diaspora

Visual and Material Culture

AFRA/ MSST 647: Curating Hidden Collections & the Black Archive

AFRA/ ARTH 645: Black Bodies on Display: Race in Museums

AFRA 630: Expressive Cultures in the African Diaspora

AFRA 642: The Black Portrait