BACHELOR OF ARTS IN AFRICANA STUDIES

Students majoring in Africana Studies are required to complete a program consisting of core courses and electives with emphases in the areas of the humanities and behavioral and social sciences. The core courses (30 units) provide the students with an appreciation of the historical development and intellectual foundation of the discipline as well as the critical knowledge base, intellectual skills, and methodological techniques essential to the field of Africana Studies. The courses offered in the emphases (nine units each) allow the student to gain a deeper intellectual grasp of the field within one of two important emphases.

The Bachelor of Arts in Africana Studies includes core courses (30 units) and an area of emphasis (9 units).

How GWAR is satisfied in the Africana Studies major: ETHS 300GW Writing in Ethnic Studies - GWAR or other approved GWAR course. The writing requirement units are not included in total units for the major.

Africana Studies (B.A.) — 39 units

Core Requirements (30 units)

AFRS 101 Introduction to Africana Studies 3
AFRS 200 Introduction to Black Psychology 3
AFRS 210 Introduction to Africana Literature 3
AFRS 266 Black On-line: Cyberspace, Culture, and Community 3
AFRS 300 From Africa to Olmec America: Ancient African Prehistory and History 3
AFRS 303 African American History 3
AFRS 345 Blacks in Urban America 3
AFRS 375 Law and the Black Community 3
AFRS 515 Black Family Studies 3
AFRS 516 Research Methods 3

Areas of Emphasis (9 units)

Select 9 units on advisement from one area below.

Note: A minimum of 40 upper division units must be completed for the degree (including upper division units required for the major, general education, electives, etc.). A student can complete this major yet not attain the necessary number of upper division units required for graduation. In this case, additional upper division courses will be needed to reach the required total.

Africana Humanities Emphasis

AFRS 201 Kemet, Afrocentricity, and the Dawn of Science 3
AFRS 204 Black Creative Arts 3
AFRS 208 Introduction to African American History 3
AFRS 213 Science and Spirituality in Ancient Africa 3
AFRS 221 African American Music: A 20th Century Survey 3
AFRS 225 Images and Issues in Black Visual Media 3
AFRS 230 African American Gospel Workshop 3
AFRS 271 Elementary Kiswahili Language and Culture 3
AFRS 301 Africa in Global Perspective 3
AFRS 302 Black Diaspora 3
AFRS 305 Ancient Egypt 3
AFRS 312 Kalifa: The Black Heritage of California 3

AFRS 326 Black Religion 3
AFRS 400 Black Arts and Humanities 3
AFRS 411 African and African American Literature 3
AFRS 450 African Philosophy and Cosmology 3
AFRS 551 Fieldwork in Africana Studies 3
AFRS 525 Black Child Development 3
AFRS 665 Black Journalism 3

Africana Behavioral and Social Sciences Emphasis

AFRS 100 General Studies Colloquium 3
AFRS 111 Black Cultures and Personalities 3
AFRS 125 Black Community Involvement Workshop 3
AFRS 202 Black Men's Studies 3
AFRS 203 Black Men's Studies 3
AFRS 215 Introduction to Black Family Studies 3
AFRS 256 Hip Hop Workshop 3
AFRS 290 Malcolm X in the Context of Black Nationalism 3
AFRS 301 Africa in Global Perspective 3
AFRS 310 Anthropology of Blackness 3
AFRS 320 Black Politics, Mass Movements, and Liberation Themes 3
AFRS 335 The Black Woman: A Cultural Analysis 3
AFRS 350 Black-Indians in the Americas 3
AFRS 370 Health, Medicine, and Nutrition in the Black Community 3
AFRS 376 Government, the Constitution, and Black Citizens 3
AFRS 370 Health, Medicine, and Nutrition in the Black Community 3
AFRS 401 Pan African Black Psychology: A North American, South American and Caribbean Comparison 3
AFRS 600 Proseminar in Africana Studies 3
AFRS 646 Frantz Fanon's Psychology of Violence, Negation, and Liberation 3
AFRS 660 Civil Rights Movement and Education 3
AFRS 678 Urban Issues of Black Children and Youth 3
AFRS 705 Seminar in Africana Studies 3

Complementary Studies

Students completing a Bachelor of Arts in Africana Studies must complete twelve units in complementary studies in courses bearing a prefix other than AFRS or courses cross-listed with AFRS. These units may be in

1. a language other than English;
2. one course from each AA S, AFRS, LTNS, and RRS;
3. four courses from one prefix: AA S or AFRS or LTNS or RRS;
4. a minor or certificate;
5. units earned in a study abroad program; or
6. a coherent group of courses complementary to the major.

With the approval of an advisor in the major, courses which fulfill the complementary studies requirement may be lower or upper division units, resident or transfer units.
### General Education Requirements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Requirement</th>
<th>Course Level</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>Area Designation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Oral Communication</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>A1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Written English Communication I</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>A2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Critical Thinking</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>A3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Written English Communication II</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>A4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Physical Science</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>B1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Life Science</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>B2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lab Science</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>B3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>B4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Arts</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>C1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Arts or Humanities</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>C1 or C2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Humanities: Literature</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>C3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Sciences</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>D1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Sciences: US History</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>D2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Sciences: US &amp; CA Government</td>
<td>LD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>D3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (LLD)</td>
<td>LD or UD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>E</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Physical and/or Life Science</td>
<td>UD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>UD-B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Arts and/or Humanities</td>
<td>UD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>UD-C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Sciences</td>
<td>UD</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>UD-D</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### SF State Studies

Courses certified as meeting the SF State Studies requirements may be upper or lower division in General Education (GE), in a major or minor, or an elective.

- American Ethnic and Racial Minorities (AERM)
  - LD or UD
  - 3
- Environmental Sustainability (ES)
  - LD or UD
  - 3
- Global Perspectives (GP)
  - LD or UD
  - 3
- Social Justice (SJ)
  - LD or UD
  - 3

Note: LD = Lower Division; UD = Upper Division.

---

### First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

This roadmap opens in a new tab. (bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/ethnic-studies/africana-studies/ba-africana-studies/roadmap.html)

### Transfer Student Roadmap (2 Year)

For students with an AA-T in Social Justice Studies. This roadmap opens in a new tab. (bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/ethnic-studies/africana-studies/ba-africana-studies/adt-roadmap.html)

This degree program is an approved pathway ("similar" major) for students earning the ADT in Social Justice Studies

California legislation SB 1440 (2009) mandated the creation of the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) to be awarded by the California Community Colleges. Two types of ADTs are awarded: Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) and Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T). Note: no specific degree is required for admission as an upper-division student. However, the ADT includes specific guarantees related to admission and graduation, and is designed to clarify the transfer process and strengthen lower-division preparation for the major.

An ADT totals 60 units and includes completion of all lower-division General Education requirements and at least 18 units in a specific major. Students pursuing an ADT are guaranteed admission to the CSU if minimum eligibility requirements are met, though not necessarily to the CSU campus of primary choice.

Upon verification that the ADT has been awarded prior to matriculation at SF State, students are guaranteed B.A. or B.S. completion in 60 units if pursuing a “similar” major after transfer. Determinations about “similar” majors at SF State are made by faculty in the discipline.

Degree completion in 60 units cannot be guaranteed when a student simultaneously pursues an additional major, a minor, certificate, or credential.

A sample advising roadmap for students who have earned an ADT and continue in a “similar” major at SF State is available on the Roadmaps tab and displays:

- How many lower-division units required for the major have been completed upon entry based on award of a specific ADT;
- Which lower-division requirements are considered complete upon entry based on award of a specific ADT;
- How to complete the remaining 60 units for the degree in four semesters.

Students who have earned an ADT should seek advising in the major department during the first semester of attendance.

### General Advising Information for Transfer Students

1. Before transfer, complete as many lower division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
2. The following courses are not required for admission, but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.
   - a course in U.S. History
Bachelor of Arts in Africana Studies

• a course in U.S. & California Government
• a 2nd-semester course in written English composition

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit http://www.assist.org. Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

• Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower division major requirements for this major, including 2nd-semester composition;

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 units/90 quarters required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper division transfer (for example, if course was not passed on the first attempt, or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California community college of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State. Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken. Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower division general education in areas C and D until after transfer in order to focus on preparation courses for the major. (This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.)

Transferring from institutions other than CCCs or CSUs

Review SF State’s lower division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State’s lower division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (GE A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL.

Identify and complete a 2nd-semester written English composition course before transfer. This is usually the next course after the typical “freshman comp” course, with a focus on writing, reading and critical analytical skills for academic purposes, and developing skills in composing, revising, and the use of rhetorical strategies.

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.

All students must meet the transfer eligibility requirements outlined below for admission. For more information, visit the Undergraduate Admissions section.

• Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units
• Earn a college grade point average of 2.00 or better in all transferable courses. Non-local area residents may be held to a higher GPA standard.
• Be in good standing at the last college or university attended
• Complete 30 semester units (45 quarter units) of general education, including four basic skills courses:
  a. One course in oral communication (same as CSU GE area A1)
  b. One course in written composition (same as CSU GE area A2)
  c. One course in critical thinking (same as CSU GE area A3)
  d. One course in mathematics or quantitative reasoning, with intermediate algebra as a prerequisite (same as CSU GE area B4)

• The four basic skills courses and a minimum of 60 transferable semester units (90 quarter units) must be completed by the spring semester prior to fall admission, or by the fall semester prior to spring admission. Earn a “C” or better grade in each basic skills course.