Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science
-African American and African Studies Major
2009-2010 Old Dominion University Catalog

Entrance Writing Sample Placement Test:_________________

LOWER DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION

A. Skills

Written Communication
(Grade of C required in ENGL 110C and ENGL 111C before declaring the major)

Oral Communication

COMM 101R, 103R, or 112R

Mathematics
(BS requires C- or better in STAT 130M)
MATH 101M, 102M, 162M, or STAT 130M

Foreign Language Skills
(BS students must have competence through the 102 level; BA students must have competence through the 202 level; not automatically met by AS degree)

Computer Skills
CS 101D, 149D, or OTS 251D

B. Perspectives

Fine and Performing Arts

ARTH 121A, ARTS 122A, COMM/THEA 270A, MUSC 264A, DANC 185A, THEA 241A

History
HIST 104H and 105H required

Literature
ENGL 112L, 144L, or FLET 100L

Philosophy
PHIL 110P, 120P, or 150P

Natural Science and Technology
Eight credit hours of Natural Science with labs. Additionally, 3-4 Natural Science or Technology are required. See reverse for course options.

Social Science
(BA students complete 6 credits; BS students complete 9 credits)
ECON 200S and

GEOG 100S or 101S preferred

The requirements for African American and African Studies majors are outlined below. With the permission of the program director, courses not listed below may be approved as substitutions to fulfill program requirements.

Core Requirement courses (15 hours)

AAST 100 Intro to African Am Studies___3
AAST 4XX African Am. Political and Social Thought* _____3
POLS 308 or SOC 337
Research Methods+ _____3

AAST 4XX Senior Seminar* _____3
AAST 368 Internship _____3

+Research Methods in African American and African Studies is undergoing development. Students pursing a BA will be able to select an appropriate research methods class in consultation with the program director.

UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES (15 hours)

Students must earn a minimum of 15 credit hours in upper-division humanities and social science courses related to African American studies. Six credit hours of 300/400 level courses must be from the social sciences and six credit hours from the humanities. The remaining three hours must be taken in either the humanities or social sciences depending on whether the student is enrolled in the BA (humanities) or BS (social science) program. Courses may be selected from the list below. NO MORE THAN TWO COURSES FROM ANY ONE DISCIPLINE MAY BE TAKEN IN ANY CATEGORY:

HUMANITIES COURSES:

AAST 395, 396 Topics in African American Studies 3
COMM 434 African American Rhetoric 3
DANC 391 African American Perspectives in Dance 3
ENGL 465 African American Literature 3
HIST 361 African American History to 1865 3
HIST 362 African American History Since 1865 3
HIST 455 African American Historiography 3
MUSC 460 History of Jazz 3
HIST 475 History of Modern Africa 3
WMST 302W All American Women: Multicultural Approach 3

SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES:

AAST 395, 396 Topics in African American Studies 3
CRJS 450 Blacks, Crime, and Justice 3
CRJS/SOC 452 Diversity in Criminal Justice 3
GEOG 452 Africa 3
POLS 412 Politics of the Civil Rights Movement 3
POLS 309 Race, Culture and Public Policy 3
POLS 316 Politics of Africa 3
POLS 410 African American Politics 3
POLS 451 African Americans and Foreign Affairs 3
PSYC 460 Psychology of African Americans 3
SOC 323 Sociology of Minority Families 3
SOC 426 Sociology of Minority Groups 3
SOC/CRJS 444 Community Justice 3

*Course undergoing development.
African Studies (300/400 level electives—6 hours)
Select two:
POLS 316 Politics of Africa 3
HIST 475 History of Modern Africa 3
Topics courses approved by the program director
Courses taken in this category cannot duplicate upper-division
social sciences and humanities courses taken to fulfill program
requirements.

UPPER DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION
Option A. Approved Minor, 12-24 hours; also second degree or
second major.
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Option B. Cluster, 9 hours (3 hours may be in the major area of
study.)
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Option C. Two Upper Division courses from another college or
component outside of, and not required by, the major (6 hours).
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Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative
grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, 120 credit
hours, passage of the Exit Examination of Writing Proficiency,
and completion of Senior Assessment.
Natural Science and Technology perspective courses:
A. 8 hours
BIOL 108N-109N, 115N-116N
CHEM 101N-102N, 115N-116N
OEAS 110N-112N, 111N-112N
OEAS 106N-107N
PHYS 101N-102N, 103N-104N, 111N-112N,
231N-232N
B. 3 or 4 hours
An additional N course
OEAS 120K, 122K, 302K
AE 300T
ART 352T
CHEM 351T
COMM 472T
HIST 304T, 389T
IT 360T
OPMT 303T
OTS 110T, 370T
PHIL 344T, 355T, 383T
POLS 350T
WMST 390T
Approved major course