



2026 - 2027 Bachelor of Arts in Africana Studies

39 Units

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Degree Requirements (MSDR) by 60 units:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 2.0 overall GPA • Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations, Arts and Humanities (Area 3), and Social and Behavioral Sciences (Area 4) • First-Time, First-Years (Freshmen) who began in Fall 2021 or later: Grade of "C" or better in Ethnic Studies (Area 6) 	

Courses	Prerequisites
Complete the following course (3 units total):	
AFRS 110: Introduction to Africana Studies (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
Complete ONE of the following courses (3 units total):	
AFRS 120: African American History to 1865 (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 121: African American History Since 1865 - Present (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
Africana Studies Social Science Course (Group A) - Complete ONE of the following courses (3 units total):	
AFRS 120: African American History to 1865 (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 150: Critical Thinking in Africana Studies (3)	
AFRS 154: Introduction to Africana Women's Studies (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 201: History of Slavery (3)	
Africana Studies Humanities Course (Group B) - Complete ONE of the following courses (3 - 4 units total):	
AFRS 140: Introduction to African American Literature (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 155: African American Music (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 160: Introduction to Africana Arts (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 170A: Elementary Swahili (4)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
AFRS 255: Introduction to Hip Hop (3)	

Complete ALL of the following courses (9 units total):	
AFRS 330: Politics of the African American Community (3)	
AFRS 335: Economic Development in the African American Community (3)	
AFRS 495: Research Methods in Africana Studies (3)	

Complete ONE of the following courses (3 units total):	
AFRS 332: Civil Rights and the Law (3)	GE Foundations
AFRS 354: African American Women and the Civil Rights Movement (3)	GE Foundations

Africana Studies Elective Courses - Complete 15 UNITS, including at least ONE course from EACH of the following groups (15 units total):

Group A (Social Sciences)	
AFRS 310: African American Male and Female Relationships (3)	
AFRS/AIS/ASAM/CHLS 319: Racial and Ethnic Experience in the United States (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
AFRS 325: Africana Psychology (3)	
AFRS 332: Civil Rights and the Law (3)	GE Foundations
AFRS 410: The African American Family (3)	
AFRS 440: Black Los Angeles (3)	Upper Division Standing

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Group B (Humanities)	
AFRS 343A: African Literature (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
AFRS 346: Africana Theatre (3)	GE Foundations
AFRS 353: Religions of African Peoples (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
AFRS 415: International Africana Children's Literature (3)	
AFRS 445: Africana Women's Literary Tradition: Toni Morrison (3)	GE Foundations
Group C (Theory)	
AFRS 400: African American Social Thought (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
AFRS 454: Africana Womanism: An Intellectual History (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
AFRS 475: Racism and Sexism: An Analytical Approach (3)	
Additional Courses from Groups A, B, and/or C	
Course 1:	
Course 2:	

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- See [online Catalog](#) for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the major.**

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