Africana Studies Minor

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Villanova's Africana Studies Program connects faculty, students, and community members interested in the academic study of Africa and the African diaspora. With 25 faculty affiliates, about 20 courses offered each semester, a robust calendar of public events, and a major and a minor, the Program has grown significantly since its founding in 1994. Whether the topic is politics in Africa, the literature of the Black diaspora in France, the history of the US civil rights movement, or Black theology, the Africana Studies Program encourages critical thinking, crossing disciplinary boundaries, and connecting academic work with lived reality. The Africana Studies Program pursues knowledge that has often been overlooked or undervalued as we strive to develop deeply inclusive community. Indeed, as an Augustinian Catholic university, Villanova is oriented to its core by the vision of an African diasporic faith leader.

A B.A. in Africana Studies is offered through the G.I.S. program. Information on that major may be found at this location.

Program: Africana Studies
Type: Minor

MINOR: Africana Studies (15 credits)

The Africana Studies program consists of 15 credits.

Program Notes:

- Courses that fulfill minor requirements may be used to fulfill other requirements (i.e., primary major, core curriculum, minors, concentrations, or free electives).
- Students may combine three 1-credit IGR courses to count as one of the undesignated Africana courses.
- Courses taken as a part of a study abroad program may also be counted toward completion of the requirements.

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Category Descriptions

Africana History or Literature Elective  
Credits: 3
Choose one course of three or more credits in History (HIS) or English (ENG) with the Africana Studies (AFR) attribute. Other courses may be taken with approval of the program advisor. Below are examples of eligible courses.

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**AFR Elective**

Credits: 9

Select any three courses of three or more credits with the AFR attribute.