African Studies Graduate Certificate

Description

The graduate certificate in African and African diaspora studies is an interdisciplinary program with four areas of emphasis:

- African diaspora studies
- African studies
- Comparative studies
- Women and gender in African and African diaspora studies

These areas of emphasis provide students with access to an extensive range of information and systematic knowledge committed to the new model of African and African diaspora studies that focuses on the intersections of race, culture and gender with interdisciplinary perspectives.

The required course, AFR 500 Research Methods, offers students an overview of the focus and explicates relevant methodologies and theories. This required course, along with the courses within the areas of emphasis and the capstone course, complete the certificate. As this certificate program offers students an international dimension to the study of peoples and cultures of African descent, students will invigorate their knowledge about global issues and further expand their research pursuits. This certificate program characterizes the faculty members' intellectual and research strengths and the curriculum's interdisciplinary strategies and research approaches that highlight the continuities and disjuncture of history and experiences throughout Africa and the diaspora.

Additional program fee: N

Second language requirement: N

Degree Requirements

Program requires 18 credit hours:

- AFR 500 Research Methods (3 credits)
- Elective (3 credits)
- Emphasis Courses (9 credits)*
- Capstone Project (3 credits)

*Students select one of four emphases after consulting with the director of the graduate program

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Admission Requirements

Applicants must submit the Graduate Education online application. Admission to the graduate certificate in African and African diaspora studies program is open to any student who has completed a bachelor's degree at an accredited U.S. institution or equivalent. Students who are regularly admitted to a graduate degree program may pursue the certificate in tandem with their degree program. Students who are not regularly admitted to a graduate degree program may still pursue the certificate.

An applicant whose native language is not English (regardless of current residency) must provide proof of English proficiency.

Applicants must fulfill both the requirements of Graduate Education and those of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.