

# AFRICAN STUDIES

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Students choosing a major in **African Studies** are interested in careers in business, local, state and federal government, and non-profit. This major requires completion of a minimum of two years of language study. Coursework completed at OSU or abroad and/or appropriate placement test results can document this.

To fulfill the foreign language requirement students have three options: complete two years (4 semesters) of a single language, complete a foreign language minor or complete a second major in a language.

For those opting to complete two years in a single language at OSU, after completing 1101, 1102, 1103, you must complete one advanced language course in that language (see list on right).

ARABIC 2104.01  
FRENCH 2101.01  
SOMALI 2201  
SWAHILI 2201

**In addition to the language requirement, students must complete one of the following minors:**

- Agribusiness: minimum 12 hours (4-5 classes)  
*Prerequisite: AEDECON 2001 or (Econ 2001.01 or 2001.02)*
- Business: 15 hours (5 classes)  
*Prerequisites: Econ 2001.01 or 2001.02, CSE 1110 or higher, Math 1130 or 1148 or math placement in M or L.*
- City and Regional Planning: 12 hours (4 classes)
- Environmental Science: 15 hours (5 classes)
- Geographic Information Science: 18 hours (6 classes)
- Global Public Health: 15 hours (5 classes)
- Information Security: 16 hours (6 classes) Consult INTSTDS advisor for prerequisites and scheduling.
- International Business: 15 hours (6 classes)
- Quantitative Economics: 15 – 16 hours (5 classes)

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### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

All students must complete two full years of training in a single foreign language. But, you also have the choice of completing a minor or a second major in a language.

### PRE-MAJOR COURSES

Pre-major courses give students a foundation in their area of study. Students should complete pre-major classes as part of their GE requirements:

Economics 2001.01 (3)  
History 2303 (3)  
Stats 2450 (3)

### MAJOR COURSES

- Complete a minimum of 30 credit hours and 10 courses.
- Courses used in your major cannot also be used for GE requirements except in the case of double majors. See an advisor for details.
- You must earn a C- or higher in all courses on your major and have a minimum 2.0 grade point average in the major.

# MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Complete 30 credit hours (10 courses)

**REQUIRED MINOR:** Students must complete one of the following minors, or a second major in the same field:  
Agribusiness, Business, City and Regional Planning, Environmental Science, Geographic Information Science, Global Public Health, Information Security, International Business, Quantitative Economics.

**REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: (complete all four courses): 12 hours**

AAAS 4530	African Political Economy (3)
AEDECON or INTSTDS 4534	Comparative Challenges to Economic Development (3)
International Studies 2000	Introduction to Africa (3)
Political Science 4250	African Politics (3)

**ADVANCED FOREIGN LANGUAGE: (complete one): 3-4 hours**

Complete one of the advanced foreign language courses listed on the front of this brochure. Remember, you must complete 1103 of the same language first.

**CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES (choose four): 12 hours**

AAAS 3310	Global Perspectives on the African Diaspora (3)
AAAS or INTSTDS 4515	Ethnicity, Development and the State in Sub-Saharan Africa (3)
AAAS 4527	Pan-Africanism and Nationalism (3)
AAAS 4557	History of South Africa (3)
AAAS 4570	Theorizing Colonialism in the Post-Colonial (3)
AAAS 5485.01	Southern Africa: Society and Culture (3)
AAAS 5485.02	West Africa: Society & Culture (3)
Anthropology 3418	Regional Survey of the Anthropology of Africa (3)
Comparative Studies 3674	African Religions (3)
Geography 5752	South Africa: Society and Space (3)
International Studies 4000	Comparative Ethnic Systems States and Identity (3)

**ELECTIVES (choose one): 3 hours**

For the elective, students can choose from the list below, unused courses from the Critical Perspectives, or a courses from other International Studies specializations.

AAAS 3342H	Music, Religion, and Ritual in Africa (3)
AAAS 3376	Arts and Cultures of Africa and the Diaspora (3)
AAAS 3451	Themes in Francophone African and Caribbean (3)
AAAS 4460	Theories in Africana Literature (3)
AAAS 4565	Topics in African Diaspora Studies (3)
AAAS 4584H	Literature and Modern Experience in Africa (3)
History of Art 3101	Philosophy of African Art (3)
History of Art 4121	Contemporary African Art: 1920 - Present (3)
International Studies 3400	The Analysis and Display of Data (3)
International Studies 4195	Selected Problems in International Studies (3-6)
International Studies 5191	Student Internship Program (3)
WGSST 5623	African Women: History and Socioeconomic Change (3)