

# B.A. in African American Studies

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## Degree Requirements

The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

### General Education

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
First Year Writing I	3	Complete <a href="#">Hon 101</a> , <a href="#">Writ 100</a> or <a href="#">Writ 101</a> with a passing grade.
First Year Writing II	3	Complete one of the following courses with a passing grade: <a href="#">Liba 102</a> , <a href="#">Writ 102</a> or <a href="#">Hon 102</a> .
6 hrs literature survey	6	Complete 6 hours of literature survey with a passing grade. Choose from the following courses: <a href="#">Eng 220</a> , <a href="#">221</a> , <a href="#">222</a> , <a href="#">223</a> , <a href="#">224</a> , <a href="#">225</a> , or <a href="#">Eng 226</a> .
6 hrs modern/ancient language 200+	6	Successfully complete at least 6 hours at the 200 level or above in one modern or ancient language.
6 hrs history	6	Complete 6 hours in History (HST) course work with a passing grade.
3 hrs humanities	3	Successfully complete 3 hours in one of the following areas: African-American studies; classical civilization; environmental studies ( <a href="#">Envs 101</a> ); gender studies ( <a href="#">G St 201</a> , <a href="#">301</a> , <a href="#">333</a> , <a href="#">350</a> ); philosophy; religion; Southern studies ( <a href="#">S St 101</a> , <a href="#">102</a> ). In addition, gender studies courses that are cross-listed with African American studies, classical civilization, English, modern languages, philosophy, or religion courses will satisfy this requirement.
6 hrs social science	6	Successfully complete 6 semester hours in anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, or sociology.
3 hrs fine arts	3	Complete 3 hours in the area of fine or performing arts. Choose from art history, music, dance, and theatre arts. Studio and workshop courses cannot be used to satisfy this requirement. Acceptable freshman or sophomore-level courses are: <a href="#">AH 101</a> , <a href="#">AH 102</a> , <a href="#">AH 201</a> , <a href="#">AH 202</a> ; Music 101, Music 102, Music 103, Music 104, Music 105; Dance 200; and Theatre 201.
3 hrs math 100+	3	Successfully complete 3 hours of Math at the 100 level or above except for <a href="#">Math 245</a> and <a href="#">Math 246</a> .
9-12 hrs science	9	Courses may be chosen from astronomy, biology, chemistry, geology, <a href="#">Liba 205</a> , 205L, 150, 151, 315, 315L and physics. Two semesters of course work in one subject and one semester in a subject from another department are required. Each course must be a minimum of 3 credit hours. At least two of the courses taken must include laboratories.
2 associated science labs	2	Successfully complete at least two science laboratory courses.

### Major Requirements

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
<a href="#">AAS 201</a>	3	<a href="#">Aas 201: African American Experience I</a>
<a href="#">AAS 202</a>	3	<a href="#">Aas 202: African American Experience II</a>
<a href="#">AAS 480</a>	3	<a href="#">Aas 480: African American Studies Senior Seminar</a>
AAS residency hrs	12	Students must earn at least 12 hours of their major courses in residence. A grade of C or better is required for each course applied toward major.



REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
AAS electives	9	<a href="#">Aas 325: African American History to 1865</a> , <a href="#">Aas 373: Caribbean Literature</a> , <a href="#">Aas 413: Race and Ethnicity</a> , <a href="#">Aas 437: The Atlantic Slave Trade and Africa</a> , <a href="#">Aas 308: Const Law II: Civil Lib &amp; Civil Rights</a> , <a href="#">Anth 315: The African Diaspora</a> , <a href="#">Aas 392: Modern Africa</a> , <a href="#">Aas 315: Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa</a> , <a href="#">Aas 443: The Civil Rights Era</a> , <a href="#">Aas 326: African American History since 1865</a> , <a href="#">Aas 302: Judicial System &amp; African Amer Community</a> , <a href="#">Aas 350: Topics in African American History</a> , <a href="#">Aas 316: The African Diaspora</a> , <a href="#">Aas 440: History of African Americans in Sports</a> , <a href="#">Aas 343: African American Science Fiction Lit</a> , <a href="#">Aas 334: Introduction to Field Work Techniques</a> , <a href="#">Aas 351: Topics in AAS Pol &amp; Social Institutions</a> , <a href="#">Aas 442: The New Negro Era</a> , <a href="#">Aas 504: Research in African American Studies</a> , <a href="#">Aas 593: African American Literature</a> , <a href="#">Aas 422: Prison &amp; the Literary Imagination</a> , <a href="#">Aas 501: African American Studies Seminar</a> , <a href="#">Aas 324: Race Gender Courtship African Amer. Hist</a> , <a href="#">Aas 517: African American Musical Tradition</a> , <a href="#">Aas 509: Historiography of African American Hist</a> , <a href="#">Aas 320: African American Politics</a> , <a href="#">Aas 412: Studies in Black Popular Culture</a> , <a href="#">Aas 441: Comparative Black Literatures</a> , <a href="#">Aas 322: Race, Gender, Science in Early America</a> , <a href="#">Aas 362: African American Women's History</a> , <a href="#">Aas 328: African American Feminist Thought</a> , <a href="#">Aas 414: Race, Place, and Space</a> , <a href="#">Aas 480: African American Studies Senior Seminar</a> , <a href="#">Aas 307: Peoples of Africa</a> , <a href="#">Aas 421: Readings in U.S. Black Feminism</a> , <a href="#">Aas 386: African and African American Arts</a> , <a href="#">Aas 395: Survey of Black American Art</a> , <a href="#">Aas 438: The Rise and Fall of American Slavery</a> , <a href="#">Aas 310: Experiences of African American Miss</a> , <a href="#">Aas 341: Afro American Lit Survey to 20th Century</a> , <a href="#">Aas 342: Afro Amer Lit Survey of the 21st Century</a> , <a href="#">Aas 420: Major African American Writers</a> , <a href="#">Aas 360: Topics in Afri-Amer. Studies Abroad</a> , <a href="#">Aas 371: African Literature</a> , <a href="#">Aas 352: Topics in AAS Culture</a> , <a href="#">Aas 518: History of Jazz</a> , <a href="#">G St 322: Race, Gender, Science in Early America</a> , <a href="#">Aas 498: Afri-American Studies Directed Study</a> , <a href="#">Aas 337: Anthropology of Blues Culture</a>
Overall Major GPA		Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.
Resident Major GPA		Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.
Select an emphasis		Students must enroll in one of the African American Studies emphasis areas: - African and African American History - African and African American Political and Social Institutions - African and African American Culture

