

Africana Studies and Media and Screen Studies, BA

Overview

The combined major in Africana studies and media and screen studies integrates critical and systemic examination of the cultural, political, social, economic, and historical experiences of the peoples of the global African diaspora along with the analysis, research, and production of traditional and emerging media.

Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

Africana Studies Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Introduction to the College		
CLTR 1000	Cultures, Societies, and Global Studies at Northeastern	1
Introduction to Africana Studies		
AFCS 1101	Introduction to African American and Africana Studies	4
Approaches to the Field		
Complete two of the following:		8
AFCS 1140	Introduction to African-American History	
AFCS 1270	Introduction to Global Health	
AFCS 2270	Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality	
AFCS 2325	Black Feminist Studies	
AFCS 2600	Issues in Race, Science, and Technology	
AFCS 3120	Race, Crime, and Justice	
AFCS 3305	Beyond the Binary: Race, Sex, and Science	
AFCS 3323	Race, Inequality, and the Law	
AFCS 5001	Special Topics in Race and the Law	
AFCS 5544	Seminar in Black Leadership	
Exploring Intellectual Traditions and Cultural Production		
Complete two of the following:		8
AFCS 1113	Black Popular Culture	
AFCS 2296	Early African-American Literature	
AFCS 2455	American Women Writers	

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AFCS 2619	Race and Religion in Film
AFCS 2690	Boston in Literature
AFCS 3404	African American Rhetorical Traditions
AFCS 3664	Black Poetry and the Spoken Word
AFCS 3900	Gender and Black World Literatures
AFCS 4588	Literature in Context

Understanding Society and Social Movements

Complete two of the following: 8

AFCS 1261	Global Caribbean
AFCS 2318	New England Stories: Storytelling and the African American Experience
AFCS 2325	Black Feminist Studies
AFCS 2330	Afro-Latin American Studies
AFCS 2337	African American History Before 1900
AFCS 2380	Black Families and Incarceration
AFCS 2390	Africa and the World in Early Times
AFCS 2410	Possession, Sacrifice, and Divination in African Diasporic Religions
AFCS 2900	Swahili, Culture, and Politics in Kenya
AFCS 3424	Epidemiology of Pandemic Diseases and Health Disparities in the African Diaspora
AFCS 4526	Afro-Asian Relations in the Americas
AFCS 4939	Community Health, Culture, and Development in Kenya

Senior Capstone

AFCS 4700	Capstone	4
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Media and Screen Studies Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
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Media and Screen Studies Common Requirements

MSCR 1220	Media, Culture, and Society	4
MSCR 1320	Media and Social Change	4
or MSCR 1420	Media History	

Foundation Course

Complete one of the following: 4

MSCR 1230	Introduction to Film Production
MSCR 2220	Understanding Media

Diversity or Globalization Course

Complete one of the following: 4

MSCR 2325	Global Media
MSCR 2505	Digital Feminisms
MSCR 3392	Gender and Film
MSCR 3437	Media and Identity

Writing-Intensive

Complete two of the following: 8

MSCR 2505	Digital Feminisms
MSCR 3420	Digital Media Culture
MSCR 3422	Media Audiences
MSCR 3600	Film Theory
MSCR 3700	Queer Media
MSCR 4208	TV History

Media and Screen Studies Electives

Code	Title	Hours
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Complete three of the following: 12

MSCR courses at the 1000 level or above		
ARTD 2380	Video Basics	

ARTD 3480	Video: Sound and Image
ARTD 3485	Experimental Video
COMM 1450	Sound Production for Digital Media
COMM 2550	Television Field Production
COMM 2655	Television Studio Production
COMM 3655	Digital Editing for TV
COMM 3750	Special Effects and Postproduction for Television
COMM 4755	Production Capstone

Integrative Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		
AFCS 2619	Race and Religion in Film	4
MSCR 2335	Race and Social Justice in American Film	

Media and Screen Studies Grade Requirement

No more than two grades below a C in media and screen studies courses may be used to satisfy degree requirements.

Program Requirements

Minimum 2.000 GPA required

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Sample Plan of Study: Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
AFCS 1101		4 MSCR 1220		4 Foreign language course		4 Elective	4	
AFCS 1113		4 Foreign language course		4 Elective		4 Elective	4	
CLTR 1000		1 AFCS 2690		4				
ENGW 1111		4 AFCS 1270		4				
AFCS 4526		4						
		17			16			8
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
MSCR 1320 or 1420		4 MSCR 2220		4 AFCS 3664		4 Co-op		
Elective		4 MSCR 2505		4 COMM 3655		4		
AFCS 2296		4 MSCR 3420		4				
AFCS 3424		4 AFCS 3900		4				
		16			16			8
Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
Co-op		ARTD 2380		4 MSCR elective		4 Co-op		
		AFCS 2619		4 Elective		4		
		COMM 2655		4				
		MSCR 2335		4				
		0			16			8
Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours					
Co-op		COMM 4755		4				
		NUpath elective		4				
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AFCS 4700	4
0	16

Total Hours: 129