

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES - AFRICANA STUDIES, BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

This major serves to equip students via a comprehensive interdisciplinary curriculum to investigate, comprehend and appreciate the various aspirations, achievements, struggles and contributions of those individuals and groups within the African and African American communities based on a deeper understanding and application of Afrocentricity, black nationalism, liberation ideology and Critical Race Theory—all within a rich historical context domestically and abroad.

Notes: two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single college-level foreign language is required for this major.

This program requires completion of minor—with a minimum of 15–16 upper-division credits—consult with your advisor.

Required—choose courses from the following 40

AAST 301	HARLEM RENAISSANCE: RECONSTRUCTION TO 1930
AAST 310	AFRICAN AMERICAN SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL THOUGHT FROM BOOKER T. WASHINGTON TO CORNEL WEST
AAST/HIST/HONS 315	AFRICAN HISTORY: ANCIENT AFRICA TO MANDELA
AAST 320/SOCI 371/SOWK 320	AFRICAN AMERICAN FAMILY
AAST 321	AFRICAN AMERICAN POLITICAL AWARENESS
AAST 347	PEOPLES OF AFRICA
AAST 375	AFRICAN AMERICAN CINEMA: 1915–1990
AAST/ENGL 381	CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE
AAST/ECON 424/WMST 426	ECONOMICS OF POVERTY AND DISCRIMINATION
AAST/WMST 430	AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S HISTORY
These courses, may be used with an advisor's permission: AAST 495, AAST 496, AAST 497, AAST 498, AAST 499	
Required Capstone	4-5
ITGS 400	INTERDISCIPLINARY SR CAPSTONE (or another capstone with your advisor's approval)

Total Credits 44-45

University Competencies and Proficiencies

- English (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#newitemtext>)
- Mathematics (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#mathcompproficienciestext>)
- Placement and Clearance Exams (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/placement/>)
- Prior Learning/Sources of Credit AP, CLEP, IB (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/prior-learning/>)

General Education Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationrequirementstext>)(GER)

- Minimum Credits—180 cumulative credit hours
 - 60 upper-division credits (300 level or above)
 - 45 credits in residence (attendance) at Eastern, with at least 15 upper-division credits in major in residence at Eastern
- Minimum Cumulative GPA ≥2.0

Breadth Area Core Requirements (BACR)

Humanities and Arts (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#humanitiesandfineartsgectext>)

Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#naturalsciencesgectext>)

Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#socialsciencessgectext>)

University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#universitygraduationrequirementstext>) (UGR)

Diversity Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#cultureandgenderdiversityintheuslisttext>)

Foreign Language (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#foreignlanguageugrtxt>) (for Bachelor of Arts)

Global Studies Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#internationalstudiesrequirementtext>)

Minor or Certificate (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#majorminorcertificateugrtxt>)

Senior Capstone Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#capstonecourselisttext>)

All admitted students must officially Declare a Major (<https://access.ewu.edu/center-for-academic-advising-and-retention/academic-planning-tools/declare-your-major/>) by the time they reach 90 credits (junior standing).

Application for Graduation (<https://sites.ewu.edu/records-and-registration/files/2017/02/GraduationApp.pdf>) must be made at least two terms in advance of the term you expect to graduate (undergraduate and post-baccalaureate).

Use the Catalog Archives (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/>) to determine two important catalog years (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#activecatalogruletext>). SOAR (<https://soar.ewu.edu/selfservice/general/home.html>) calculates based on these two catalog years.

1. The catalog *in effect at the student's first term* of current matriculation is used to determine **BACR** (Breadth Area Credit Requirements) **and** **UGR** (Undergraduate Graduation Requirements).
2. The catalog *in effect at the time the student declares a major or minor* is used to determine the program requirements.

Students who earn a BA in Interdisciplinary Studies—Africana Studies from EWU should be able to do the following:

- critique Eurocentric texts from an Afrocentric perspective; PLO-4
- demonstrate knowledge of activism's role in African-American history; PLO-2

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- demonstrate knowledge of key events in African-American history.
PLO-1
- summarize the psychological impact of racial oppression on African Americans, white Americans, and other racial minorities in the US;
PLO-3
- use critical race theory to analyze their own lived experience. PLO-5