

# AFRICAN STUDIES - MINOR

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## Fully Offered

- Kent Campus

## Description

The African Studies minor provides a broad familiarity with African history, culture and contemporary problems. Study in this program may be coordinated with relevant language study through Pan-African Studies.

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor's degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

## Program Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
Minor Electives, choose from the following:		18
AFS 10101	ELEMENTARY KISWAHILI I	
AFS 10102	ELEMENTARY KISWAHILI II	
AFS 15200	INTRODUCTION TO WEST AFRICAN CULTURES	
AFS 22200	INTRODUCTION TO THE AFRICAN ARTS	
AFS 25200	EAST AFRICAN-KISWAHILI CULTURES	
AFS 32050	AFRICAN LITERATURES (DIVG)	
AFS 33200	ANCIENT AFRICAN CIVILIZATIONS	
AFS 34000	INTRODUCTION TO AFRICAN WORLD VIEW (DIVG)	
AFS 34100	ISLAMIC WEST AFRICA	
AFS 35200	AFRICAN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SYSTEMS	
AFS 37020	THE MODEL AFRICAN UNION (ELR)	
AFS 37100	AFRICANA WOMEN'S LITERATURE (DIVG)	
AFS 44095	SPECIAL TOPICS IN CONTEMPORARY AFRICA	
ANTH 48150	RELIGION: A SEARCH FOR A MEANING	
ANTH 48212	KINSHIP AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATION (DIVG)	
ARAB 11101	ELEMENTARY ARABIC I	
ARAB 11102	ELEMENTARY ARABIC II	
ARTH 22020	ART OF AFRICA, OCEANIA AND THE AMERICAS (DIVG) (KFA)	
ARTH 42025	ART OF WEST AFRICA (DIVG)	
ARTH 42026	ART OF NIGERIA (DIVG)	
ARTH 42027	ART OF CENTRAL AFRICA (DIVG)	

ECON 42075	INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS
ECON 42076	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
GEOG 31070	POPULATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT
GEOG 37040	GEOGRAPHY OF AFRICA (DIVG)
GEOG 41073	CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES
GEOG 44010	GEOGRAPHIES OF GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT
HIST 31130	HISTORY OF PRE-COLONIAL AFRICA TO 1880
HIST 41132	HISTORY OF COLONIAL AFRICA, 1880-1994
MCLS 30420	FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES
MUS 42111	AFRICAN MUSIC AND CULTURES
POL 30540	AFRICAN POLITICS (DIVG)
POL 30840	NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
POL 40530	POLITICS OF WAR
POL 40560	HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE (DIVG)

Minimum Total Credit Hours:

18

## Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Students must complete at least two upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) courses in the minor at Kent State on a graded basis (A-F).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).