A certificate in African and African American studies gives you a deeper understanding of this population's culture and history. You gain an in-depth knowledge of prominent issues and learn how to advocate for social justice. This certificate helps you excel in fields such as law, business and medicine.

**Description**

The certificate program in African and African American studies examines the culture, arts, history, politics, economics and current status of Africans, African-Americans and the larger African diaspora, especially in the Caribbean, Central America and South America. The goal is to prepare students for lifelong learning, advanced study in a variety of fields, and successful careers and productive public service in an increasingly diverse society.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus

2018 - 2019 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

**Program Requirements**

The certificate consists of 24 credit hours, at least 18 of which must be completed at the upper-division level. All courses used toward the certificate must be completed with a grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher.

**Required Core Course -- 3 credit hours**
AFR 200: Introduction to Africana Studies (SB & G & H) (3)

Elective Core Course (select one) -- 3 credit hours

AFR 300: Precolonial Africa (SB & G & H) (3)
AFR 301: Race and Racism in Africa/African Diaspora (SB & G) (3)
AFR 302: History of Black Women in America (SB & H) (3)
AFR 305: The Global History of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade (SB & H) (3)

Electives -- 18 credit hours

AFR Upper Division Elective (18)

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this certificate.

Enrollment Requirements

A student pursuing an undergraduate certificate must be enrolled as a degree-seeking student at ASU. Undergraduate certificates are not awarded prior to the award of an undergraduate degree. A student already holding an undergraduate degree may pursue an undergraduate certificate as a nondegree-seeking graduate student.

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