

Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies  
**African/African American Studies Minor**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_  
A total of 21-22 credits are needed to fulfill the African/African American Studies Minor. A student will be required to choose between two tracks: Track 1 (Africa) and Track 2 (African American). No more than 3 credit hours of AAA 399 Independent Readings or AAA 499 Independent Study and Research may count toward the minor. New AAA related courses in each of the two tracks may count toward the minor as they become available. Please consult with program director concerning the eligibility of any particular course. Students should be particularly alert to the presence of courses offered through the vehicle of special topics courses (AAA 380 & 390). Transfer credits from approved study abroad programs and from other U.S. colleges and universities may be counted toward the minor upon verification by the program director. However, of the 21-22 credits required, a minimum of six credits must be taken in residence at GVSU. (\* Fulfills Gen. Ed. Requirement)

**CORE COURSES** All minors will be required to complete two core courses for a total of six credits:

AAA 200\*-Understanding Africa **OR**  AAA 201\*-Intro to African American Studies  
 AAA 302\*-African Diaspora

**TRACK 1: AFRICA (Students who enter the university competent in French or Arabic at the 202 level or higher will take one extra elective course for a total of 21 credits)**

**REQUIRED:**  FRE 202-Intermediate French II or ARA 202-Intermediate Arabic II Lang. & Cult., or higher.

**TRACK 1 ELECTIVE COURSES LIST** (complete four courses (12) credits from the electives list. All courses are 3 credits unless noted):

AAA/PLS 319\*-African Politics (Jr.)  
 AAA 300\*-US-Africa Relations  
 AAA 333-Study Abroad (AAA Studies) (1-6 cr.)  
 AAA/ENG 337\*-Contemporary Black Literature (Jr.)  
 AAA/WGS 343 Black Feminist Thought  
 AAA 380-Special Topics Seminar (1-3 cr.)  
 AAA 399-Independent Readings (1-3 cr.)  
 AAA 499-Independent Study and Research (1-4 cr.)(9 AAA credit hours and permission)  
 GPY 351\*-Geography of Africa  
 HST 335-Africa Before 1870  
 HST 336-Africa After 1870

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS**

**Note:** No more than 2 courses from any department other than African and African American Studies can be counted toward the minor for the students who choose the African American Track 2.

*This form is a planning tool and does not constitute an agreement regarding program requirements. It is imperative that you meet with an academic advisor early in your career.*

**TRACK 2: AFRICAN AMERICAN**

**REQUIRED:**  AAA 490-Practicum: Career-Service in Community Building (1-6 cr.) (9 AAA credit hours and permission)

**TRACK 2 ELECTIVE COURSES LIST** (Complete four elective courses (12) credits from the electives list. All courses are 3 credits unless noted):

AAA/ENG 231\*-Early African American Literature (prereq. (WRT 120 & WRT 130 or WRT 150))  
 AAA/ENG 232-Modern African American Literature (prereq. (WRT 120 & WRT 130 or WRT 150))  
 AAA 315-Field to Factory: African American Migration  
 AAA 333-Study Abroad (AAA Studies) (1-6 cr.)  
 AAA 340-African American Culture and Social Thought (Jr.)  
 AAA 351-Perspectives on African American Males  
 AAA/WGS 352\*-Black Women's Cult. & Comm. (Jr.)  
 AAA 355\*-History of Underground Railroad (Jr.)  
 AAA/HST 357\*-The Black Diaspora & the Meaning of Sports 1800 to the Present (Jr.)  
 AAA 380-Special Topics Seminar (1-3 cr.)  
 AAA 399-Independent Readings (1-3 cr.)  
 AAA 499-Independent Study and Research (1-4 cr.)(permission)  
 INT/HRT 320\*-Voices of the Civil Rights Movement in the U.S. (Jr.)  
 HST 314\*-African American History  
 HST/LAS 372\*-From Slavery to Freedom (Jr.)  
 HST 316-U.S. Civil Rights Movement History  
 SOC 333-Sociology of the Civil Rights Movement  
 SOC 313\*-Race and Ethnicity (Jr.)