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CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

Events

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit africam.berkeley.edu for news and updates.

ADVISING

Students can schedule appointments and send general advising questions to Althea Grannum Cummings at cummings@berkeley.edu.

Advising Drop-In Hours

Tuesday & Thursday, 10am-12pm, 1-4pm (in-person)
Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 10am-12pm (Zoom)

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps for the latest version of this major map.

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African American Studies

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AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

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INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

African American Studies exposes students to the social political, and cultural history of African-descended people in the modern world. While its primary focus is on the United States, the program places African Americans within a broader global dialogue about the evolving function of race.

The Department of African American Studies offers a major and minor in African American Studies, as well as a joint minor in **Race and the Law** with the Department of Ethnic Studies.



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“*I initially sought out this major in an attempt to learn more about myself. In turn, I actually found myself, I found knowledge, I found the world, and I found peace.*”

– Kristin Therese Jones, African American Studies & Rhetoric major

THE MAJOR CURRICULUM

Along with three lower division courses, students in the African American Studies major will complete eight courses focused on black intellectual thought, colonialism and slavery, and research. Additionally, each student will work with their advisor to choose a concentration area. Students will also complete a senior capstone course that guides majors in the process of consolidating their intellectual experience as they work toward carving out the next stage of their professional lives.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Apply to the **African American Theme Program**.
- Get involved in a student organization such as the **Black Student Union**.
- Experience life off campus with **study abroad** or a semester at a HBCU.
- Complete a summer minor in **Race and the Law**.
- Join the **Clark Institute**, a community of engaged scholars of African American Studies.

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DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY

