

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES, MA

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW-Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail	
Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	21 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	15 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).

Other Grade Requirements n/a

Assessments and Examinations The degree requires the completion of a Master's thesis. The purpose of the thesis is to demonstrate that degree candidates have acquired the knowledge and skills to carry out scholarly writing and research in their discipline, and to advance knowledge in the field itself.

Language Requirements n/a

REQUIRED COURSES

Students must complete 24 credits of approved graduate coursework as well as 6 thesis credits (AFROAMER 790 Research and Thesis).

Code	Title	Credits
Graduate courses in African American Studies		
At least 12 credits must be taken in the Department of African American Studies.		12
AFROAMER 525	Major Authors	
AFROAMER 621	Slavery and Capitalism in the United States	
AFROAMER/ HISTORY 628	History of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States	
AFROAMER 671	Selected Topics in Afro-American History	
AFROAMER/ ENGL 672	Selected Topics in Afro-American Literature	
AFROAMER 673	Selected Topics in Afro-American Society	
AFROAMER 675	Selected Topics in Afro-American Culture	
AFROAMER/ GEN&WS 677	Critical and Theoretical Perspectives in Black Women's Writings	
AFROAMER 699	Directed Study in Afro-American Studies (No more than 6 credits of Directed Study may be applied toward fulfillment of the MA coursework requirements.)	
Electives		
Students will select their remaining courses in consultation with their faculty advisor. Students are encouraged to explore other subjects for related courses.		12
Thesis		
Students must complete 6 credits of thesis.		6
AFROAMER 790	Research and Thesis	
Total Credits		30