# AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES (AFRAM)

The discipline of African American Studies at the College Of Alameda will give you a deep appreciation and understanding of the impact that people of African descent have had on the ancient and modern worlds. You will draw from multiple academic disciplines, including history, sociology, communication, literature, art, dance, anthropology, and political science. Through these academic lenses you will gain a broader understanding of the African diasporic experience in the U.S. and beyond as you will critically analyze the struggles, triumphs, and rich traditions both past and present. You will learn from instructors who are active in the community and their areas of academic specialization. Students in African American Studies at the College of Alameda can elect to study in Africa during the summer session through our study abroad program to Accra Ghana. Future study abroad opportunities within the African diaspora will include Mexico, Cuba, Haiti, Jamaica, and Brazil.

#### **AFRAM 5**

## The African-American Family in the United States

3 units, 3 hours lecture (GR) Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Selected topics in history related to the formation of the black family: From slavery to current debates about the structure of black families. Examination of effects of larger demographic, political and social changes on African-American families. 2203.01

AA/AS area 2, 5; CSU area D; IGETC area 4

#### **AFRAM 30**

## African-American History: Africa to 1865

3 units, 3 hours lecture (GR or P/NP)

Also offered as Hist 50. Not open for credit to students who have completed or are currently enrolled in Hist 50. Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Survey of the experience of African-Americans from their origins to the end of the Civil War: Emphasis on political, social and cultural development, and change. 2203.01

AA/AS area 2, 5; CSU area D, CSU American Institutions; IGETC area 4

## AFRAM 31

## African-American History: 1865-1945

3 units, 3 hours lecture (GR or P/NP)

Also offered as Hist 51. Not open for credit to students who have completed or are currently enrolled in Hist 51. Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Survey of the experience of African-Americans in the United States from 1865 to 1945: Emphasis on Black Reconstruction, African-American nationalism, racism, and the impact of the Depression and World War II. 2203.01

AA/AS area 2, 5; CSU area D, CSU American Institutions; IGETC area 4

#### AFRAM 32

## African-American History: 1945 to Present

3-4 units, 3-4 hours lecture (GR or P/NP)

Also offered as Hist 52. Not open for credit to students who have completed or are currently enrolled in Hist 52. Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Survey of the experience of African-Americans in the United States from 1945 to the present: Emphasis on the Civil Rights movement and other contemporary issues. 2203.01

AA/AS area 2, 5; CSU area D; IGETC area 4

#### **AFRAM 48AA-FZ**

## **Selected Topics in African-American Studies**

.5-5 units, 0-5 hours lecture, 0-15 hours laboratory (GR or P/NP)

Acceptable for credit: CSU

See section on Selected Topics. 2203.01

#### AFRAM 248AA-FZ

## **Selected Topics in African-American Studies**

.5-5 units, 0-5 hours lecture, 0-15 hours laboratory (GR or P/NP)

See section on Selected Topics. 2203.01

## AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

The **AA degree in African-American Studies** will be awarded upon satisfactory completion of the major course requirements listed below and the General Education requirements for the Associate in Arts Degree listed in the Degrees and Programs section of this Catalog.

## **Career Opportunities**

African American studies graduates from the College Of Alameda are prepared to work in many situations requiring appreciation of cultural diversity, gender equity, and social awareness. Recent graduates have gone on to peruse four year degrees at Cal, Davis, UCLA, Howard, SFSU, and other major colleges throughout the country and abroad. Other COA scholars have elected to peruse professional careers in, politics, social service programs, counseling services, nonprofits, and other community based organizations.

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

*Upon completion of this program a student will be able to:* 

- Articulate the acquisition of a solid knowledge-base in the history, culture, and experiences of African people around the globe, and the contributions they have made to the development of world civilizations;
- Develop a clear understanding of the richness and complexity of the interdisciplinary scholarship in African American studies.
- Recognize the transversality between race and other social or cultural identities confronting peoples of the African Diaspora, including issues of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, religion, and class.
- Respect for the culture, values, and belief systems of the global community of individuals and groups; understand the commonalities among members of the human race while also understanding how concepts such as "race," gender, culture, ethnicity, and religion introduce real and contrived differences between and among groups.

## **Degree Major Requirements:**

Dept/No.	Title	Units
AFRAM 30	African-American History: Africa to 1865	3
AFRAM 31	African-American History: 1865-1945	3
AFRAM 32	African-American History: 1945 to Present	3
ENGL 31	African-American Literature	3
PSYCH 18	Psychology of Race and Ethnicity in the U.S.	3
SOC 5	Sociology of Minority Groups	_3
	Total Required Units:	18