



Africana Studies Center

Celebrating 50 years

The Africana Studies program has provided students an understanding and appreciation of the rich, complex experiences of people of African descent since 1971. The program had its beginnings in meetings of 1968-69, and has grown from a small group of courses called Black Studies into the Africana Studies minor that has graduated hundreds of students. Africana Studies has given students the opportunity to participate in community internships, academic workshops and research.

Africana Studies Program

The Africana Studies program helps prepare students to be broadly educated, articulate, critical thinkers ready to pursue meaningful careers as engaged citizens in a culturally diverse world. The program also hosts the Africana Studies Center, where students are free to study, receive tutoring for classes and receive mentorship from EWU faculty and staff.

Student Support Services

- Financial aid guidance
- Academic advising and mentoring
- Scholarship opportunities
- Internship information
- Student lounge: meeting/study space
- Work study opportunities
- Mentorship/recruitment program
- Engaged faculty
- Black Student Union advising
- Community engagement

Scholarship Support

Available for incoming freshmen and current students, there are many scholarships from the Africana Studies Program our staff is here to guide you through all the opportunities.

Community Outreach

Africana Studies and the Black Student Union (BSU) sponsor year-round public activities providing educational and cultural enlightenment including: speaker series, February Black History Month, Silent Auction fundraiser, diversity and inclusion week and more.



Africana Studies Minor

REQUIREMENTS/COURSE OFFERINGS

The Africana minor consists of four courses – **two core** and **two elective** (20 credits).

CORE CLASSES

- African American Culture & Expression (required)
- Early African American History: Ancient Africa to the End of the Reconstruction
- African American History: Post Civil War to present

ELECTIVES

- Harlem Renaissance
- Contemporary AA Literature
- African History
- AA Cinema
- AA Family
- AA Women History

Career Enhancement

The Africana Studies Minor teaches students to become independent researchers and collaborative problem solvers with a focus on analyzing and interpreting the experience of African Americans. Our program appeals to students considering admission to graduate or professional schools, careers in education, business, law, politics, the media and publishing, international relations, arts and performance, development or humanitarian aid, and global health, or social work.

Visit ewu.edu/africanaedu for full course descriptions, elective options and more information.



Examine Contemporary Issues

Explore, analyze and interpret the diverse, complex experiences of people of African descent.



Connect with the Community

Collaborate with programs and local community partners outside of the traditional classroom.



Think Critically

Exercise critical thinking in order to pursue a meaningful career in a culturally diverse world.