African Studies

M.A. with Specialization in African Studies

About the Program

The collaborative master's degree with a specialization in African Studies is especially designed for master's students in participating programs in the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences, Public Affairs, and the Sprott School of Business who wish to enrich their training in a particular discipline or area of study by developing expertise in African Studies through interdisciplinary dialogue.

The following master's programs participate in the Collaborative Program in African Studies. Consult the individual programs for detailed program requirements.

- Anthropology
- Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies (thesis and research essay M.A. only)
- Business Administration (M.B.A.)
- · Economics
- English
- · French and Francophone Studies
- Film Studies (thesis and research essay M.A. only)
- Geography (thesis M.A. only)
- History
- · International Affairs
- Journalism
- · Legal Studies
- · Political Economy
- · Political Science
- Sociology
- · Women's and Gender Studies

Academic Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the collaborative master's program in African Studies is available to master's students who are admitted in one of the participating master's programs. To apply to one of the participating master's programs, please visit the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs Admissions page.

Selection of Courses - African Studies

The courses listed below (all are worth 0.5 credit) are relevant to students of African Studies and could, with the approval of the specific requirements of the units involved, be used as courses to help fulfill degree requirements. There are also often graduate courses and 4000-level courses in a number of units at Carleton that are offered on an ad hoc basis that have significant content appropriate to African Studies. To have any such course count towards their degree requires approval of the Director of the Institute of African Studies when it is being offered.

Note: the number of spaces in graduate courses offered by other departments may be limited, and registration may be conditional upon obtaining the prior approval of the department concerned. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that permission is obtained from the appropriate department prior to registering in any of the following courses.

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Arrican Studies		
AFRI 5000 [0.5]	African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives	
AFRI 5050 [0.5]	Selected Topics in African Studies	
AFRI 5100 [0.5]	African Studies Abroad	
AFRI 5700 [0.5]	Directed Readings in African Studies	
AFRI 5900 [0.5]	Placement	
AFRI 5800 [0.0]	Scholarly Preparation in African Studies	
Anthropology		
ANTH 5109 [0.5]	Development, Dependency and Gender	
ANTH 5202 [0.5]	The Anthropology of Underdevelopment	
ANTH 5209 [0.5]	Special Topics in the Anthropology of Africa	
ANTH 5809 [0.5]	Selected Topics in the Anthropology of Development and Underdevelopment	
English		
ENGL 5008 [0.5]	Studies in African Literature	
ENGL 5010 [0.5]	Studies in Caribbean Literature	
French		
FREN 5600 [0.5]	Littératures du monde francophone	
International Affairs		
INAF 5603 [0.5]	Issues in Development in Africa	
Law		
LAWS 5007 [0.5]	Race, Ethnicity and the Law	
LAWS 5603 [0.5]	International Law: Theory and Practice	
Political Science		
PSCI 5107 [0.5]	Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa	
PSCI 5202 [0.5]	Development Theory and Issues	
PSCI 5203 [0.5]	Southern Africa After Apartheid	
PSCI 5801 [0.5]	Foreign Policies of African States	
Sociology		
SOCI 5404 [0.5]	Race, Ethnicity and Class in Contemporary Societies	
Women's and Gender Studies		
WGST 5902 [0.5]	Advanced Topics in Women's and Gender Studies II	

AFRI 5000 [0.5 credit]

African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives

This course examines the formation of African Studies as a discipline, including the historical and ongoing debates over its boundaries and genealogies and its changing research paradigms.

AFRI 5050 [0.5 credit]

Selected Topics in African Studies

A course on a selected topic in African Studies. Topic varies from year to year and will be announced in advance of registration period.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as AFRI 4050, for which additional credit is precluded.

AFRI 5100 [0.5 credit]

African Studies Abroad

Based at one of Carleton's partner universities in Africa, course will include lectures, seminars, guest speakers, field visits and group research projects to examine a topic in African studies, as selected by the instructor. Topic and location may change annually.

AFRI 5700 [0.5 credit]

Directed Readings in African Studies

A Tutorial on a selected topic in African Studies in which seminars are not available.

AFRI 5800 [0.0 credit]

Scholarly Preparation in African Studies

This course will provide scholarly preparation in African Studies by requiring participation in public talks as both audience member and presenter.

AFRI 5900 [0.5 credit]

Placement

Students spend up to one day a week participating in an organization that has an African focus, while carrying out tasks that have a scholarly content. Consult the Director of the Institute of African Studies.

Summer session: some of the courses listed in this Calendar are offered during the summer. Hours and scheduling for summer session courses will differ significantly from those reported in the fall/winter Calendar. To determine the scheduling and hours for summer session classes, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca

Not all courses listed are offered in a given year. For an up-to-date statement of course offerings for the current session and to determine the term of offering, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca