

African American Studies (AAST)

Courses

AAST 400. Blacks and South Asians in London. 6 hours.

A survey of the separate and overlapping politics, cultures, and histories of London's Black and South Asian communities since World War II. Course Information: Same as GLAS 400. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

AAST 401. Senior Seminar in African American Studies. 3 hours.

Advanced capstone experience. Completion of a major research project in an area of student interest. Emphasis on the research process, writing, and presentation of completed project. Course Information: Previously listed as AAST 390. Prerequisite(s): AAST 206 and junior standing or above or consent of the instructor.

AAST 406. Politics of Race, Gender and Class. 3 or 4 hours.

Formation of social status categories, individual and collective identity construction, the mechanisms of group-based marginalization and stigmatization; relationship between social status categories. Course Information: Same as GWS 406. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite(s): AAST 100 or GWS 102 or GWS 101; or graduate or professional standing; or consent of the instructor.

AAST 407. Seminar in Comparative Racialization. 3 or 4 hours.

Provides an interdisciplinary and comparative approach to the making and remaking of "race" and the resultant racialized experiences of different groups in the U.S. and globally. Course Information: Same as SOC 407. Prerequisite(s): AAST 247 or AAST 248 or AAST 340 or SOC 225; and senior standing or above; or consent of the instructor.

AAST 441. Topics in African History. 3 or 4 hours.

Specific topics are announced each term. Course Information: Same as HIST 441. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): 3 hours of African history, African American studies, or consent of the instructor.

AAST 481. Topics in African and African American History. 3 or 4 hours.

African and/or African American history for students with significant background in the field. Topics vary. Course Information: Same as HIST 485. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Students may register in more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): AAST 247 or AAST 248 or HIST 104 or HIST 247 or HIST 248 or consent of the instructor.

AAST 490. Topics in African American Literature. 3 or 4 hours.

African American literature and culture for students with significant background in the field. Topics vary. Course Information: Same as ENGL 473. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated. Students may register in more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): AAST 357 or AAST 360 or ENGL 357; and senior standing or above; or consent of the instructor.

AAST 492. Topics in Social Science Research. 3 or 4 hours.

Inclusive examination of a selected specialized topic based on instructor's field. Topics are drawn from research in political science, psychology, sociology, and history. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Students may register in more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): AAST 100 or consent of the instructor.

AAST 501. Interdisciplinary Seminar in Black Studies. 4 hours.

Graduate introductory seminar to the intellectual traditions, theoretical frameworks, and methodological innovations shaping the interdisciplinary field of Black Studies.

AAST 502. Graduate Colloquium in Black Studies. 1 hour.

Interdisciplinary research and writing colloquium in the field of Black Studies. Course features the research of faculty, guest lectures, and advanced graduate students from UIC and Chicago's broader scholarly community. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated for credit. May not be repeated for credit towards the Graduate Concentration in Black Studies. Prerequisite(s): Credit or concurrent registration in AAST 501; or approval of the department.

AAST 503. Topics in BLST. 4 hours.

Study of a topic in Black Studies at an advanced level. Specific topics are announced each term. Course Information: May be repeated for a maximum of 8 hours.