# Revision Of Undergraduate And Graduate Programs

*Format For Review By University Curriculum Committee (UCC) and Graduate Council.*

1. **Proposing College / School:** College of Liberal Arts  
   **Department:** Africana Studies Minor

2. **Title of Affected Program:** Africana Studies Minor

3. **CIP Code of Affected Program:** Afri  
   **Proposed Implementation Date:** Spring 2013

5. **Justification:**

   *(Include a concise, yet adequate rationale for the revision of the program, citing accreditation, assessments (faculty, graduate, and/or external) where applicable.)*

   The elective courses below are applicable to the Africana Studies minor but are not currently included as options.

6. **Current Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):**

   *(Provide the current curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)*

   NA

7. **Proposed Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):**

   *(Provide the proposed curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)*

   NA

8. **New Courses Required:**

   *(Indicate which courses -- if any -- are part of the curriculum that are not currently offered.)*

   1. ANTH 2800 ANTHROPOLOGY OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA  
   2. ARTS 3690 ARTS OF AFRICA  
   3. HIST 3030 AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY  
   4. HIST 3080 THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT  
   5. HIST 5680 HISTORY OF AFRICA FROM 1800 TO PRESENT  
   6. HUsc 2000/2003 HUNGER: CAUSES, CONSEQUENCES, AND RESPONSES (on campus and on line)  
   7. HUsc 2007 HUNGER: CAUSES, CONSEQUENCES, AND RESPONSES (Honors)  
   8. MUSE 2170 GOSPEL CHOIR  
   9. MUSE 3170 GOSPEL CHOIR  
   10. MUSE 4170 GOSPEL CHOIR  
   11. PHIL 1090 PHILOSOPHY OF RACE GENDER  
   12. SOCY 3100 POLICE AND SOCIETY
9. Relationship of Proposed Program to Other Auburn University Programs:

(If the proposed program revision affects any other unit and/or covers material offered by another college/school, attach correspondence with relevant unit.)

Will the program revision affect other program(s) and/or units at Auburn University? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will the program revision replace any existing program(s), or specializations / options / concentrations within existing program(s) at Auburn University? ☐ Yes ☐ No

10. New or Additional Resources / Resource Shifting Required:

(If "yes" for any item, please provide explanation in the space provided below.)

Will additional faculty lines be required? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will new or additional space (e.g.: laboratory or classroom) be required? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will additional library resources be required? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will additional GTA support be required? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation of or provision for new or additional resources / explanation of program’s support or replacement of other programs:

NA

11. Distance Education:

(If Distance Education will be incorporated in the delivery of the proposed program, provide details of implementation, scope, etc.)

HJSC 2000/2003 HUNGER: CAUSES, CONSEQUENCES, AND RESPONSES is taught both on campus and online
TO: Giovanna Summerfield, Associate Dean for Educational Affairs,  
Dan Larocque, Senior Associate Dean  
Constance Relihan,  
Kevin Snyder

FROM: Robin Sabino, Director of African Studies

RE: Adding courses to those applicable to the Africana Studies minor

Date: September 5, 2012

Attached please find a Proposal Form for Addition and Revision of Courses listing courses whose content is appropriate to the Africana Studies Minor. These courses should be added to those we currently list as applicable.

All of the courses are courses are already listed in the bulletin, and I have conferred with faculty and department heads/chairs with respect to their content and appropriateness. Per Kevin Snyder, I am attaching copies of communications regarding the appropriateness of HIST 3080 and the HUSC courses since the titles of these courses do not make their relevance obvious. With respect to the three MUSE courses, MUSE 1170, a one credit course, is currently listed as applicable to the Africana Studies minor. The three courses I am requesting be added have the same content and are also one credit courses.

If you need additional information, please let me know.
Robin,

These courses seem appropriate. I caution that HIST 3970 is a moving target in that we offer several courses under this number but with different topics.

For faculty, you might consider including Tiffany Sippial, who teaches our Latin American courses which I notice are included in your list. Her work is mostly on Cuban women in 19th and 20th century, many of whom were of African descent, but I don't know if she'd classify her research in this area.

Best,
Charles

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On Jul 17, 2012, at 8:22 AM, Robin Sabino wrote:

Dear Professor Israel:

I will assume the directorship of the CLA Africana Studies Minor this fall. Two of my objectives
for this year are updating the list of courses that count for the minor and increasing faculty participation. I know Patience Essah has done an excellent job with the minor, but I wanted to touch bases with you to be certain that History is fully represented.

In addition to the HIST courses we currently list on http://www.cla.auburn.edu/africanastudies/curriculum/course-offerings/ I am requesting that the following courses be added to as elective courses for the minor:
HIST 3030 AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
HIST 3080 THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT,
HIST 3970 THE ERA OF SEGREGATION,
HIST 5680 HISTORY OF AFRICA FROM 1800 TO PRESENT

Have I missed anything?

I am also updating our list of faculty affiliates whose research programs address African and the African Diaspora. Is there anyone in addition to Patience and David Carter whom I should contact?

With best regards,

Robin Sabino
Department of English
Auburn University
The course focus pretty much stays the same. It's the same course but 3 different versions: On Campus, Distance, & Honors. Just reach out to me in September and we'll set something up.
All the best,
~K

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From: Robin Sabino
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 1:55 PM
To: Kate Thornton
Subject: RE: Africana Studies Minor
Kate,

I'm on campus M, W, F, so an afternoon meeting on those days works well. That said, I'm currently swamped: In addition to gearing up for teaching and rebuilding Africana Studies, I'm the prospective Director of Undergraduate Studies for English. Mid-September would likely work well for me. Your progress is exciting and I want to facilitate and participate!

In the meantime, would you send me syllabi for HUSC 2000, 2003, 2007, so that I can add them to the listing when I make the changes this fall. Also I need to know which of two categories to put them in. In one category, the course content is stable; in the other it varies. For example, sometimes Southern Authors looks only at someone like Faulkner or Flanner O'Connor.

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From: Kate Thornton
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 1:43 PM
To: Robin Sabino
Hi Robin,
Thanks so much for reaching out to me. I'd love to meet with you to see where we can work together.
Right off the top of my head I think the HUSC 2000, 2003, 2007 course (Hunger: Causes, Consequences, Responses) would be an appropriate course to add to the minor as unfortunately Africa is a huge part of the hunger conversation. There also may be some opportunities to develop courses and programming with Sid James Nakhjavan who runs the Cary Center for the Advancement of Philanthropy and Non Profit Studies. Both of our minors overlap and we are building a lot of momentum in that way. Another opportunity to collaborate may also be on a project Ainsley Carry, Amy Hecht, Paul Harris and I are collaborating on called the Global Challenge Fellows. With that program we're looking to encourage and enable students to take on minors that address the Millennium Development Goals as outlined by the UN, while at the same time developing the skills and knowledge of their majors to tackle these issues.
Tuesdays and Thursdays are my heavy teaching days, but I'd love to meet with you sometime in the next few weeks.
All the best,
Kate

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From: Robin Sabino
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 12:38 PM
To: Kate Thornton
Subject: Africana Studies Minor
Katie (if I may),

I have just assumed the directorship of the CLA Africana Studies Minor...
Two of my objectives
for this year are updating the list of courses that count for the minor and increasing faculty participation. I am writing to you, at the suggestion of Tony Alexander, to learn if the Africana Studies Minor might serve your faculty’s and students’ interests in diversity.

Courses listed in the minor must devote at least 25% of class content to Africans and their descendants. In addition to lecture and discussion, we consider content to include assignments, which can be individualized. We currently list no courses from your program. If there are faculty in your department who have interests in Africa and the African Diaspora, I would like to invite them to become faculty affiliates. Can you suggest anyone I should contact?

Robin Sabino
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