

BLACK STUDIES

The central mission of the Black Studies discipline is to prepare students to critically understand and interpret complex global histories, cultures, and societies of African people, which includes continental and diasporic Africans. We situate this knowledge within an interdisciplinary general discourse that teaches us about the totality of human experiences involving universal struggles for valued collective and individual identities. Students will employ research, methodology and theories drawn out of the collective Black experience to address relevant issues on behalf of global African communities and the whole of humanity.

Other Program Related Information

Fast Track

The Master of Science in Urban Studies program has developed a Fast Track program for highly qualified and motivated students providing the opportunity to complete a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in an accelerated time frame. With Fast Track, students may count up to nine (9) graduate hours toward the completion of their undergraduate program as well as the graduate degree program.

Program Specifics:

- This program is available for undergraduate students pursuing any of the following who wish to pursue a MS in urban studies:
 - BS in Emergency Management
 - BS in Black Studies
 - Bachelor of Multidisciplinary Studies.
- Students must be within at least 30 undergraduate credits yet to complete their undergraduate degree. Exceptional students who do not meet this requirement may be considered.
- Students must have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.5.
- Students must complete the Fast Track Approval form and obtain all signatures and submit to the Office of Graduate Studies prior to first enrollment in a graduate course
- Students will work with their undergraduate advisor to register for the graduate courses.
- Students must consult with the urban studies advisor prior to enrollment in one of the courses listed below.
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 is required to remain in good standing.
- Students remain undergraduates until they meet all the requirements for the undergraduate degree and are eligible for all rights and privileges granted undergraduate status including financial aid.
- Near the end of the undergraduate program, formal application to the MS in Urban Studies program is required. The application fee will be waived, the applicant will need to contact the Office of Graduate Studies for a fee waiver code.
 - Admission to Fast Track does NOT guarantee admission to the graduate program.
 - For this program, if students maintain at least a grade of B+ in courses taken, they will be recommended for admission to the MS in urban studies.
 - The admit term must be after the completion term of the undergraduate degree.

The following courses may be taken under the Fast Track program

- UBNS 8000:Seminar in Urban Studies
- UBNS 8060:Introduction to Urban Planning

- UBNS 8020:Race, Ethnicity and American Urban Culture**
- UBNS 8200:Community Organizing and Development**
 - PA 8010:The Public Economy (Must have completed or be concurrently enrolled in UBNS 8000)

Other Information

All coursework taken for the Black Studies major or minor must be completed with a minimum grade of "C-" or better. Credits not considered applicable toward the completion of the Black Studies major or minor include those graded less than "C-", "I" (incomplete), "AU" (audit), "CR/NC" (credit/no-credit), or "S/U" (satisfactory/unsatisfactory).

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Degrees Offered

- Black Studies, Bachelor of Science (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/black-studies/black-studies-bs/>)

Minors Offered

- Black Studies Minor (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/black-studies/black-studies-minor/>)

The central mission of the UNO Black Studies discipline is to prepare students to critically understand and interpret the complex histories, societies, and cultures of African people across the globe, and to employ theoretical and methodological tools drawn out of the collective Black experience in addressing relevant natural and social global issues on behalf of humanity. We situate this knowledge within a general discourse concerning what it teaches us about the totality of the human experience.

- Business, Entrepreneurship, Marketing
- Cultural Resources Manager
- Education
- Government
- Law & Criminal Justice
- Literature
- Media & Journalism
- Medicine & Health
- Performing Arts & Entertainment
- Politics
- Professor
- Religion
- Social & Community Services
- Visual & Decorative Arts