Course of Study

I. Four Required Courses [16 credits]
- **Hum 315 Introduction to African Studies**, (4 credits)
- **One course in History of Africa** – A minimum of 4 credits must be earned through successful completion of either
  - HIST 325, Precolonial Africa (4)
  - HIST 326, Colonial & Postcolonial Africa (4)
- **One course in Contemporary African Issues**: Select from among the following (4 credits):
  - ENVS 450/550, Political Ecology
  - GEOG 475/575 Africa: Politics, Development and Environment
  - INTL 345, Africa Today
  - INTL 445, Development and Social Change in Sub-Saharan Africa
  - HIST 417, Society and Culture in Modern Africa
  - SOC 450, Sociology of Developing Areas
- **Culture, Ethnicity & Identity in Africa**: Select one from among the following (4 credits):
  - ANTH 327, Anthropological Perspectives on Africa
  - ANTH 310, African Masks and Meanings
  - FR 303, Identités Francophones
  - FR 490, 20th-Century Literature: Post-colonial Africa
  - HIST 416, African Women’s History
  - INTL 447, Comparative "Tribalisms": Ethnic Politics in Africa & US

II. Electives [12 credits]. Must be upper division; 8 credits must be at the 400 level.
Recommended courses include any of the upper-division courses listed above, or the following (any other substitutions must be approved by an African Studies Minor advisor):
- ANTH 310, African Masks and Meanings
- ANTH 327, Anthropological Perspectives on Africa
- ANTH 410/510, Ethnography of Postcolonial Africa
- DAN 301, Dance in Folk Culture: Africa and the Diaspora
- DAN 481, Dance Africa
- ENVS 450/550, Political Ecology
- ENVS 607, Seminar in Political Ecology
- FR 303, Identités Francophones
- FR 361, Francophone Literature and Culture
- FR 490 The Absurd and the Fantastic
- FR 490, 20th-Century Literature: Post-colonial Africa
- GEOG 475/575 Africa: Politics, Development and Environment
- HIST 325, Precolonial Africa
- HIST 326, Colonial & Postcolonial Africa
- HIST 416, African Women’s History
- HIST 417, Society and Culture in Modern Africa
- HIST 419, Topics in African Regional Histories
- INTL 345, Africa Today: Issues & Concerns
- INTL 420/520, International Community Development
- INTL 445, Development and Social Change in Sub-Saharan Africa
- INTL 447, Comparative "Tribalisms": Politics of Identity in Africa and the US
- J 455, Third World Development Communication
- MUS 358, Music in World Cultures
- MUS 451, Introduction to Ethnomusicology
MUS 452, Musical Instruments of the World
SOC 313, Social Issues and Social Movements
SOC 450, Sociology of Developing Areas

III. Advanced Research Requirement [4 credits].
- At least one 400-level course that requires a research paper and has at least 50% Africa content
  - For students who have studied or completed an internship in Africa, the paper should be based on primary source data gathered during that experience.
  - For other students, the research paper should include an original argument or line of interpretation based on secondary sources.

IV. Decentering Mechanism (or Experiencing Africa). Choose one of the following options:
- 15 credits of college-level study of an African language. Possibilities include Arabic, Swahili, Wolof, or one year of another approved language. Arabic and Swahili are currently being regularized as standard course offerings with their own prefixes. Although they are the first language of many African citizens, English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- One term of study-abroad in Africa or a one-term internship in Africa, with a minimum of 12 credits.
  - For study abroad, courses will be evaluated for UO credit through the standard Office of International Programs procedures for assigning credit and course equivalency.
  - For internships, students will consult the faculty member who is sponsoring their internship credits to prepare an internship agreement which must include:
    - A list of readings relevant to the experience, which are to be completed prior to and during the internship.
    - A reflective journal on the student’s activities and cross-cultural experiences.
    - A final paper integrating preparatory readings and internship experience (approximately 4500 words, plus references).

- An African Studies Minor Advisor must approve the credits earned in study abroad or internship programs.

Limit on Partial Africa-Content Courses
No more than 8 credits may be from courses with less than 50% Africa content

Limit on Performance Course Credits
No more than 4 credits toward the Minor may be from performance courses.

Major-Minor Breadth Requirement
Students must consult with an African Studies advisor to confirm that that curricular overlap between the student’s major and the African Studies minor maintains the principle of academic breadth.