

1. Catalog description in the style of the University Catalog showing:

- a. Course level: 2000G
- b. Title: AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE
- c. Meeting times and credit: (3-0-3)
- d. Term to be offered: F, S
- e. Short title: AFR-AM EXPER

9/18/08 - CAA
The cultural diversity designation was assigned to this course, effective Spring 2009.

f. Course description:

The course examines the history, culture and human experience of African Americans in the United States. An overview of the black individual existence in America and his or her relationship with Africans worldwide.

g. Prerequisite(s) None

h. This course will be writing-active.

2/7/02 - CAA
Writing-intensive designation added, effective Spring 2002.

2. Student learning objectives

It is expected that at the end of the course:

- (1) Students will be able to understand the nature of the African experience in the United States. (critical thinking, citizenship)
- (2) Students will be able to interpret key events and issues as they relate to the African American experience. (critical thinking)
- (3) Students will analyze the unique history and status of African Americans in relation to African communities worldwide. (critical thinking, global citizenship)
- (4) Students will understand the contributions of African Americans to American culture. (critical thinking, citizenship)

3. Course Outline

This course is a 15-weeks three 50 minutes or two 75 minutes class per week.

Week

- 1 Introduction
The African Background
West and western Africa (Ghana, Mali, Songhay, Congo, Angola)
- 2 Enslavement and the Middle Passage
- 3 Origins of African American Culture
Founding of Black America, 1619-1787
- 4 Slavery in Colonial America
- 5 African American Culture under Slavery

- 6 African Americans and the Westward Expansion
Blacks and exploration of the Western frontiers
- 7 Midterm review and examination
- 8 Abolitionist Movement
Writings of Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Jacobs, Maria Stewart
- 9 Civil War
Black Soldiers Contribution
- 10 Reconstruction
African American Politicians
Anti-lynching Movement (Ida B. Wells, Mary Church Terrell)
- 11 Emergence of Black Nationalism
W.E.B. DuBois/Pan African Congress
Marcus Garvey/Back to Africa Movement
- 12 The Civil Rights Movement
Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, Fannie Lou Hamer
- 13 Black Panther Party Platform
COINTELPRO - The American Government's Response to the Civil Rights
Movement.
- 14 1970s - 1990s
Black Elected Officials
Conservative Backlash and Affirmative Action
- 15 Final review

4. Evaluation of student learning

Grades will be based on points earned from three writing assignments, a midterm examination, quizzes and a final examination.

GRADING:

Midterm examination	- 15%
Final examination	- 15%
Quizzes	- 15%
Three writing assignments	- 45%
Participation	<u>- 10%</u>
TOTAL	- 100%

5. Rationale

a. African American Experience will be placed into the Humanities segment of the core. AFR 2000G contributes to this segment by introducing students to an in-depth analysis of the history and culture of African Americans in the United States. The course addresses the diversity of American culture and African contributions to American culture.

b. Offering a 2000 level course in the African American Experience will provide students with a solid foundation to pursue further inquiry into all subject areas pertaining to African Americans. There are no prerequisites for the course.

c. The course does not duplicate material in any other AFR course.

d. AFR 2000G will be required of African American Studies Majors and Minors.

6. Implementation

a. Faculty member initially assigned: Onaiwu W. Ogbomo & Dee Woodtor

b. This course requires no additional cost to students.

c. Texts: Asante, Molefi Kete (1995). *African-American History: A Journey of Liberation*. Maywood, NJ: Peoples Publishing Group
Darlene Clark Hine, *et al.*, *The African American Odyssey*, 2 vols. New Jersey, Prentice Hall, 2000.

d. Term of first offering: Fall 2002.

7. Community College Transfer

A community college course may be judged equivalent to this course.

8. Date approved by the department: February 15, 2000

9. Date approved by the college curriculum committee: April 4, 2001

10. Date approved by CAA: April 26, 2001

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