

the center for afroamerican and african studies

is now entering its third year of operation. CAAS is an educational institution which actively pursues and promotes teaching and research related to all peoples of African origin and descent. A degree-offering unit within the University of Michigan, CAAS is dedicated to, and is actively engaged in, the providing of broad-ranging information and technical services to Black peoples on local, national, and international levels.

Specifically, CAAS's functional aims seek to embrace both campus and community in the ways:

SCHOLARSHIP
To assume a leadership role in the promotion of scholarship by and about Black people

DEVELOPMENT
To promote the development of those skills and capabilities in our youth that are necessary to the advancement of the Black community; to develop an informed and committed core of workers dedicated to this advancement

To assist, through teaching, research, and commitment of other resources, in the creation of institutions that will sustain the political, social, and cultural development of Black people

INFORMATION
To provide our students and others with an informed and ongoing Black perspective on local and worldwide situations affecting persons of African descent

CAAS is structured around three major components:

ACADEMIC COMPONENT

The overall function of the *Academic Component* is primarily a teaching function. It aims to build a curriculum of study relating to Black people; and through the classes developed around this curriculum, it aims to develop a well trained and well informed personnel reservoir of teachers and leaders who can creatively and productively address themselves to the developmental problems of Black communities.

RESEARCH COMPONENT

The *Research Component* is basically concerned with isolating problems and issues around which information needs to be collected, and with the collection and analysis of this information. The Research Component then forwards the data to the Academic Component which in turn channels the information collected to faculty and students. They then utilize the CAAS findings in building a significant curriculum that relates to Black people. Through the deliberations that take place through courses, the Academic Component identifies problems and issues which are then turned over to the Research Component for further exploration.



501. SELECTED CONCEPTS IN POLITICAL THEORY. Cr-Aug-3q. Instr.: Robinson. See course description, AAS 603, Fall 1972.

537. AFRICA IN THE 20TH CENTURY. Cr-Aug-3q. Instr.: Uzoinwe. This is a general survey course dealing with such questions as reactions to colonial policy, Pan-Africanism, Afro-American and African society, the rise of modern political parties, problems of nation-building, and world affairs in dependent Africa (the roots of neo-colonialism).

586. COMMUNICATION, MEDIA, AND PROPAGANDA REALITIES IN THE BLACK WORLD. Cr-3. Instr.: Martin. See course description, AAS 586, Fall 1972.

616. SEMINAR ON CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN SOCIETIES. Cr-3. Instr.: Marshall. An in-depth study of selected issues relating to the socio-economic and political development of Africa in the 20th Century.

651. PROSEMINAR IN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS IN AFRICA. Cr-3. Instr.: Samoff. Comparative analysis of problems of government and politics in selected African states in the region below the Sahara. Discussions and research projects will be coordinated alternately from year to year to focus on either internal or external, international or regional problems.

695. INTERPRETATIONS AND METHODOLOGY. Cr-3. Instr.: Cruse. The Afro-American present as History. Interpretations and methodology in relation to American historiography. Afro-American History as a discipline: problems and theoretical approaches.

781. SEMINAR IN BLACK AMERICAN HISTORY. Cr-3. Instr.: Owens. Research topics in the field of Black American history.

786. THE CONQUEST OF AFRICA: BACKGROUND TO MODERN AFRICAN NATIONALISM. Cr-3. Instr.: Uzoinwe. This course will concern itself with the extra-European dimensions of the partition process. Both the African and European aspects of the partition will be considered.

COURSE OFFERINGS FOR A PROJECTED MASTERS PROGRAM IN AFROAMERICAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES, 1973*

- History
- 530. Africa to 1800
 - 536. Africa in the 19th Century
 - 537. Africa in the 20th Century
 - 558. History of Black Political and Social Thought
 - 559. The United States 1840-1877
 - 560. Pan-Africanism I
 - 561. Pan-Africanism II
 - 565. Constitutional History of the U.S. to 1865
 - 566. Constitutional History of the U.S. since 1865
 - 573. History of the American City
 - 577. Black Movements, Leaders, Trends, Post-Reconstruction to World War II
 - 579. History of Race Relations in the U.S. 1619-1865
 - 580. History of Race Relations in the U.S. since 1865
 - 629. Studies in African History
 - 699. Afroamerican History: Interpretation and Methodology
 - 781. Research Seminar in Black American History
 - 786. The Conquest of Africa: Background to Modern African Nationalism
- Anthropology
- 422. Pre-Colonial Africa
 - 423. African People in the Americas
 - 462. Problem of Race
 - 523. Social Organization of Africa
 - 615. Seminar on Problems in African Ethnology
 - 616. Seminar on Contemporary African Societies
- Political Science
- 403. Politics of Liberation
 - 495. Undergraduate Seminar in Political Theory
 - 501. Selected Concepts in Political Theory
 - 598. Black Politics in the New World
 - 601. 19th Century Political Thought, Africa and Western Hemisphere
 - 603. Proseminar in 20th Century Political Thought
 - 604. Proseminar in American Political Thought
- Literature and the Arts
- 405. Music Theory: Jazz Analysis
 - 450. Music Literature: American Culture
 - 460. Music Literature: Music Cultures in the Western Hemisphere and Europe
 - 461. Music Literature: Music Cultures of the Pacific, Africa, the Near East, and Central Asia
 - 475. Early Afroamerican Literature
 - 476. Contemporary Afroamerican Literature
- Contemporary Issues
- 430. Alternative Approach to Black Education I
 - 431. Alternative Approach to Black Education II
 - 450. Black Communities and Legal Rights
 - 457. Economic Problems of the Inner City
 - 503. Proseminar, Issues in Black World Development
 - 586. Communication, Media, and Propaganda Realities in the Black World

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