

African & African Diasporic Languages

AFRICAN & AFRICAN DIASPORIC LANGUAGE MINOR

PREREQUISITES

Must complete through Elementary Language II to begin minor coursework.

INTERMEDIATE LANGUAGE I

- ARAB 210, KISW 210, HAIT 230, WOLO 210

INTERMEDIATE LANGUAGE II

- ARAB 220, KISW 220, HAIT 240, WOLO 220

ADVANCED LANGUAGE I

- ARAB 310, KISW 310, HAIT 350, WOLO 310

ADVANCED LANGUAGE II

- ARAB 320, KISW 320, HAIT 360, WOLO 320

ELECTIVES: (COMPLETE TWO)

- Complete two additional AAAS 300+ courses, or additional language courses (ARAB 401 & 402, KISW 401, 402, or 410, HAIT 497 & 500; WOLO 401, 402 or 420)

HOURS/GPA REQUIREMENTS

- 18 Hours
- 12 must be JRSR hours/9 must be in-residence
- 2.00 minor GPA required of graduation

Currently AAAS doesn't offer advance courses in Amharic or Somali, therefore they are not included in the minor.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Department of African and African American Studies at The University of Kansas offers language courses in Amharic, Arabic, Haitian Creole, Kiswahili, Somali and Wolof.

The program prepares students for high global competency through professional-level proficiency in each language. The curriculum incorporates the World Readiness Standards for learning languages and the American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) proficiency guidelines. We offer student centered instruction, and our instructors use the communicative and interactive teaching approaches which develop listening comprehension, speaking, reading, writing, and cultural awareness. Our students benefit from rigorous classes taught by expert language teachers, innovative technology, and cultural immersion activities to enhance the language learning experience.

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LANGUAGES WE TEACH & WHERE THEY ARE SPOKEN

AMHARIC

(Eritrea and Ethiopia)

ARABIC

(Algeria, Bahrain, Chad, Cyprus, Oman, Egypt, Kuwait, Yemen, Libya, Iraq, Morocco, Syria, Iraq, Oman, Yemen, United Arab Emirates, Jordan, South Sudan, Yemen, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Uzbekistan, Saudi Arabia, Palestine, Israel, Qatar, and Mauritania.)

HAITIAN CREOLE

(Haiti)

KISWAHILI

(Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Somalia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Mozambique, and the Comoros Islands)

SOMALI

(Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, and Somalia)

WOLOF

(Mauritania, Senegal, and the Gambia)

Through scholarship, teaching, campus and community service, and public programming, AAAS reflects intellectual and pedagogical practices that recognize the complexity and multiplicity of human experiences; promote critical thinking and creative problem-solving; and expand our understanding of citizenship in a rapid changing multicultural, global society.

On the undergraduate level AAAS offers the BA, BGS, and two undergraduate minors . On the graduate level AAAS has two MA degrees, and two graduate certificates.

WHY ENROLL IN A AAAS LANGUAGE COURSE?

- Classes are small
- Learning is collaborative
- Culture & history are integrated into the curriculum
- Fulfill foreign language requirement
- Earn a minor in African & African Diasporic Languages
- Opportunities to study abroad
- Be eligible to win a prestigious Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship
- Engage in extracurricular activities including, language tables, African food & film festivals, Arab Dance Night, & the African Language Festival

ENROLL TODAY!

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