

Haitian-Creole

African & African Diasporic Languages

HAITIAN-CREOLE at KU

The Department of African and African American Studies and the Institute of Haitian Studies offers courses in Haitian Creole at four levels. The elementary Haitian-Creole courses are offered online. The online courses prepare students for high global competency through professional-level proficiency in Haitian-Creole. The intermediate & advanced courses are offered face to face.

All the Haitian-Creole courses are designed according to the World Readiness Standards for Learning Languages, and the American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) proficiency guidelines and they adopt the backward curriculum design framework. We use a student centered approach, and the courses adopt the communicative and interactive teaching approaches to develop ability in listening, speaking, reading, writing and cultural awareness.

COURSES OFFERED:

HAIT 110/120 Elementary Haitian

HAIT 230/240 Intermediate Haitian

HAIT 350/360 Advanced Haitian

HAIT 497 Directed Studies in Haitian

HAIT 500 Directed Studies in Haitian Language and Literature

WHY STUDY HAITIAN-CREOLE

Haitian-Creole is one of the two official languages of Haiti and has more than 10 million speakers. It is spoken widely in Haiti throughout the Caribbean basin, among Haitian-Americans in the United States, Canada, and France etc. It is recognized as an official French based Creole language in the Caribbean.

Studying Haitian-Creole as a Foreign Language will equip with essential communication skills to work in professional fields in healthcare, social research, counseling, management, education, public service, business, engineering, social services, art, history, construction, translation and interpreting in Haiti and among the Haitian Community.

Through your Haitian-Creole studies at KU you be exposed to the rich Haitian Culture through Haitian Movies, music, art, cuisines, games, literature, history, religion , philosophies, and rich oral tales.

ABOUT AAAS

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.

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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