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# **AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES**

School of Education, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

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### **General Description**

Housed under the History and Ethnic Studies department, African American Studies examines the truth and fiction regarding the African experience in the United States. This field of study explores the history, anthropology, sociology, psychology, economic, and political aspects of African Americans in the United States. In addition, African American Studies focus on the literary, musical, and artistic heritage of people of African descent leading to a heightening of self-awareness and cultural understanding for African American students. This strengthens connections between students and the African community that can hasten social change and enhance human dignity.

### **Career Options**

Below is a sample of the career options available for the African American studies major. A few of these require an associate degree, most require a bachelor's degree, and some require a graduate-level degree: lawyer, high school or college teacher, researcher, government or foreign service officer, business administrator, library technician, historian, writer, publisher, anthropologist, political scientist, politician, economist, philosopher, cultural arts director, social service agency worker, business manager, consultant, counselor, and urbanologist.

#### Degree/Certificate Options Major Code

# Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation

African-American Studies (http:// 01700 catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/african-american-studies/aa-african-american-studies/)

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

## **Faculty**

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