

AFRICAN AMERICAN & AFRICAN STUDIES INTERNSHIP COURSE

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Maximum Internship Credits:

Three (3) credits. Students may only obtain credit once for an internship.

Requirements:

- The date the internship starts must coincide with the semester for which credit will be awarded.
- Students must be juniors or seniors with a minimum grade point average of 2.5. Students who do not meet these requirements may be considered on a case by case basis. Students must have completed at least two of the department's core requirements before registering for an internship.
- 150 hours must be completed during the semester for credit to be awarded.
- Internships may be obtained through through The Career Development Center (CDC) by attending a Career Center Activation Meeting to access internship listings. Students may also obtain positions on their own and through the Department.
- The internship allows students to work for an organization or company that provides practical experience that may lead, either to a career in Africa, the Caribbean, or in other regions with a significant African-descended population, or to a career in the United States that utilizes knowledge of related cultures in some way: for instance, a career in niche marketing that specializes in the African American demographic; a journalism or television career with black-oriented media or with mainstream media that covers these populations with regularity; health organizations which want to reach immigrant or minority populations; educational organizations which reach out to minority students; the diplomatic services; immigration and naturalization services, etc.
- The student and employer must complete an African American & African Studies Internship Contract and have it approved through the CDC. After the CDC approves of the contract, Dr. Holbrook or designated faculty member will have the final approval of descriptions of field/internship experiences, written by the organization and/or employer.