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# **PAN-AFRICAN STUDIES (MA)**



#### Master of Arts in Pan-African Studies

Unit: College of Arts and Sciences (https://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/) (GA)

Department: Pan-African Studies (https://louisville.edu/panafricanstudies/)

Program Website (https://louisville.edu/panafricanstudies/graduates/master-of-arts-in-pan-african-studies.html)

Academic Plan Code(s): PAS\_MA

## **Program Information**

The Master of Arts in Pan-African Studies program provides an opportunity for structured graduate study in the multi-disciplinary field of Pan-African Studies. Students will have the option of choosing between two areas of emphasis:

- · African American Studies
- · African Diaspora Studies

These broad emphases reflect sub-disciplines within the larger field of Pan-African Studies and will enable students to focus more intensively on their particular area(s) of interest. Students must successfully complete 33 credit hours of graduate level courses of which five courses must be at the 600 level. Each student also must complete a **thesis**.

The Pan-African Studies Department offers courses that may be applied toward graduate degrees in other areas. Students must obtain their program advisor's permission before enrolling in these courses. Students who are interested in more information on these courses should contact the department's Director of Graduate Studies (DGS).

## **Admission Requirements**

The Pan-African Studies Graduate Studies Committee only considers applications for the Fall semester. The deadline for applications is January 15.

Students applying for admission to the Master of Arts in Pan-African Studies program must meet the following standards:

- Completion of Online Graduate Application (http://louisville.edu/ graduate/apply/)
- Minimum 3.00 undergraduate cumulative grade point average
- · Submission of an official transcript reflecting previous degree earned
- · Three letters of recommendation
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE); successful students usually have a minimum combined score of 300

- · Submission of a personal statement
- · Submission of a current CV
- · Writing Sample

**Minimum Total Hours** 

#### **Program Requirements**

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Code	Title	Hours
Core Cours	es	18
PAS 607	Pan-African Studies Foundations of the Field I	
PAS 608	Pan-African Studies Foundations of the Field II	
PAS 623	Qualitative Research Strategies and Pan-African Research	
Three PA	AS courses for graduate credit distributed as follows:	
Historica	al Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Cultural	Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Social S	tudies (three (3) credit hours)	
Concentrat	ion Area	9
Select an a	rea of emphasis:	
African A	American Studies	
	rses for graduate credit focusing on African Americans red as follows:	
Historica	al Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Cultural	Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Social S	tudies (three (3) credit hours)	
OR		
African a	and Diaspora Studies	
	rses for graduate credit focusing on Africa and/or the a, distributed as follows:	
Historica	al Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Cultural	Studies (three (3) credit hours)	
Social S	tudies (three (3) credit hours)	
Thesis		
PAS 604	Thesis	3
Elective		
Elective in	Related Field (with advisor's approval)	3

A student may be approved to transfer up to six (6) credit hours from another university or the University of Louisville graduate program or up to nine (9) credit hours from the University of Louisville Pan-African Studies graduate certificate program. Courses must be graded B or higher, cross-listed with PAS, and taken at graduate level.