

**Cleveland State University**  
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences  
**Bachelor of Arts in Black Studies**  
Fall 2021

<i>First Year</i>							
Fall Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed	Spring Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed
ASC 101: Introduction to University Life	1		Intro	ENG 102: College Writing II	3		W/C
ENG 101: College Writing I	3		W/C	MTH 117: Mathematical App in Real World	3		M/QL
MTH 116: Foundations Quantitative Literacy	3		M/QL	Natural Science Elective	3		NS
Foreign Language Requirement (if needed)	4		CLASS	Foreign Language Requirement (if needed)	4		CLASS
Art & Humanities Elective**	3		A&H	US Social Diversity Elective	3		DIV - US
<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>14</b>			<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>16</b>		
<i>Second Year</i>							
Fall Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed	Spring Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed
Arts & Humanities Elective (ALAAME)** or HIS 175 <sup>^</sup>	3		A&H	Natural Science Elective	3		NS
BST Foundational Course (Section A) <sup>^</sup>	3	X		Natural Science Elective Lab	1		NS Lab
General Elective*	3			African Am History, Culture & Politics (Section D List 1	3	X	DIV-AA
General Elective*	3			BST Select ONE course from Section B, C, or E	3	X	
Social Science Elective (ALAAME)** or ANT 153 <sup>^^</sup>	3		SS	Social Science Elective	3		SS
				General Elective*	3		
<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>15</b>			<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>16</b>		
<i>Third Year</i>							
Fall Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed	Spring Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed
BST Select ONE course from Section B, C, or E (choose from section not already completed) <sup>^^</sup>	3	X		General Elective 300/400 level	3	X	
General Elective* 300/400 level	3			African Am History, Culture & Politics (Section D List 2	3	X	
BST Foundational Course (Section A) <sup>^</sup>	3			BST Foundational Course (Section A) <sup>^</sup>	3	X	WAC
General Elective* 300/400 level	3			General Elective* 300/400 level	3		
General Elective*	3			General Elective*	3		
				General Elective*			
<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>15</b>			<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>15</b>		
<i>Fourth Year</i>							
Fall Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed	Spring Semester	Credits	Major	Gen Ed
BST Elective 300/400 level (WAC if needed)	3	X		BST Foundational Course (Section A) <sup>^</sup>	3	x	CAP
BST Select ONE course from Section B, C, or E (choose from section not already completed) or BST 300/400 level Elective <sup>^^</sup>	3	x		General Elective* 300/400 level	3		
General Elective* 300/400 level (WAC/SPAC)	3		WAC	General Elective* 300/400 level	3		
General Elective* 300/400 level	3			General Elective*	2		
General Elective* 300/400 level	3			General Elective* (WAC/SPAC)	3		WAC
<b>Apply for Spring graduation prior to Sep 9th</b>							
<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>15</b>			<i>Semester Total</i>	<b>14</b>		
<i>Credit Total: 120 (minimum 120 required for degree)</i>							

Assumptions: college-level readiness in MTH & ENG; no Foreign Language Deficiency

<sup>^</sup> BST Foundational Courses (Section A). Student must complete the following FOUR courses: BST 200: Intro to Black Studies (offered fall and spring), BST 300: Blk Psychology (offered fall), BST 350: African Am Family Life (WAC and offered spring), and BST402: Capstone (offered spring).

<sup>^^</sup> BST Sections B, C and E. Students must select one course from EACH section. **SECTION B**-students select one course from: HIS 175: Intro to Africa (offered fall) or ANT 153: Intro to African Cultures (offered fall). While HIS 175 or ANT 153 fulfills one of the requirements for the major, both can satisfy the A&H (ALAAME) or SS (ALAAME) elective respectively. If students use HIS 175 or ANT 153 to satisfy the A&H or SS (ALAAME) Elective, then students have the option to choose a BST 300/400 level elective during the fourth year. **SECTION C**-students select one course from: BST 394: Ghana, Slave Trade, and African Diaspora; HIS 364: Caribbean History to 1804 (fall semester); HIS 366: Colonial Latin Am (spring semester); HIS 367: Modern Latin America (offered spring); or HIS 369: Comparative Emancipation (fall semester). **SECTION E**-students select one course from: ENG 207: Af Am Lit (offered fall), ENG 208: Womanism/Feminism (offered spring), or ENG 347: Studies in Af-Am Lit (offered fall).

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^^^BST African American History, Culture, and Politics (Section D). Student must select TWO courses: one from list 1 and the other from list 2. LIST 1: HIS 215: Af Am Hist to 1877 (offered fall and spring), HIS 216: AF Am Hist to since 1877 (offered fall and spring), or UST 202: Cleve: The Af Am Exp (offered fall and spring). LIST 2: PSC 301: Urban Politics and Policy (offered spring), PSC 305: Cul Diversity in US Politics (offered fall and spring), or PSC 311: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (offered spring).

***Due to the sequence of courses in the Black Studies major curriculum, it is strongly advised students work closely with the director and general education advisor to ensure efficiency while moving through the requirements.***

**College/ Program Notes:**

The plan above is a suggested guide to ensure that all General Education, College, University, and Major requirements are met within 4 years of study. Students may deviate from the suggested placement of Gen Ed courses, although the M/QL and W/C requirements should be completed during the first year of study.

**University Notes:**

\*General Electives ensure that a student accumulates the minimum credit hour totals needed for graduation. Students must have a minimum of 120 total credit hours, of which a minimum of 42 credit hours must be upper division (300 or 400-level courses). Depending upon other elective choices made, students may not need as many general electives as indicated above, or may need additional electives.

**Gen Ed Key:**

SS = Social Sciences Requirement (2 courses from different departments**) ** Of the SS and A&H courses, one must be focused on Africa, Latin America, Asia or the Middle East (ALAAME)	
INTRO = Introduction to University Life Requirement (one course)	A&H = Arts & Humanities Requirement (2 courses from different departments**)
W/C = Writing/Composition Requirement (two courses; C or better required)	DIV = Social Diversity Requirement (2 courses; one US Diversity and one African American Exp.)
M/QL = Mathematics/Quantitative Literacy Requirement (two courses)	WAC/SPAC = Writing/Speaking Across the Curriculum Requirement (3 courses, one in the major)
NS = Natural Sciences (two courses, one of which must have a lab)	CAP = Capstone Requirement

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