

AFST 2601 - Introduction to Africana Studies 2

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Course Description

2601. Introduction to Africana Studies 2. The cultural and intellectual heritage of black people in Africa and the Americas as reflected in literature, philosophy, and art. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	From Slavery to Freedom: A History of African Americans.	Franklin	

(10th ed.) New York, NY McGraw-Hill, Inc.

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Day	Date	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
Tue	8/25	Read: Black Studies Article Handout: The Four Generations of Black Studies.	Overview of Course (Syllabus) Introduction to Africana Studies	
Thu	8/27	Read Textbook Chapter 3.	West Africa before the Transatlantic Slave Trade.	
Tue	9/1	Read Textbook: Chapter 10.	Background and factors that led to the Civil War	
Thu	9/3	Read Textbook Chapter 11: pgs. 247-251.	The American Civil War Begins.	
Tue	9/8	Read Textbook: Chapter 11.	The American Civil War Ends	
Thu	9/10	Reconstruction: Chapter 11	African Americans elected to office	9/10 First Essay due
Tue	9/15	Read Textbook: Chapter 11.	Compromise of 1877 and the election of Rutherford B. Hayes. Blacks move out of the South	
Thu	9/17	Read Textbook: Chapter 11	The South Redeemed:	
Tue	9/22	Read Textbook Chapter 13	Post Civil War Civil Rights Leaders:	
Thu	9/24	Read Textbook: Chapter 14.	Segregation Begins	
Tue	9/29	Midterm Exam		Midterm Exam
Thu	10/1	Textbook: Read Chapter 14	"Atlanta Compromise"	



Tue	10/6	Textbook: Read Chapter 14	W.E.B DuBois and William Monroe Trotter and the 1905 Niagara Movement	
Thu	10/8	Read Textbook: Chapter 16	World War I and Blacks in the Military.	10/8 Second Essay Due
Tue	10/13	Textbook: Read Chapter 16	The Great Migration 1915-1940 (Push-Pull factors)	
Thu	10/15	Textbook: Read Chapter 18	The Harlem Renaissance"	
Tue	10/20	Read Textbook: Chapter 19.	The Great Depression	
Thu	10/22	Read Textbook: Chapter 21.	The Second Great Migration 1940-1960:	10/22 Third Essay Due
Tue	10/27	Textbook: Read Chapter 22	Post World II	
Thu	10/29	Textbook: Read Chapter 22	Integration Of Professional Sports	
Tue	11/3	Textbook: Read Chapter 22	Integration of Professional Sports Continued	
Thu	11/5	Read Textbook: Chapter 23 pgs. 492-500	Civil Rights Era (1950-1970	11/5 Fourth Essay Due
Tue	11/10	Read Textbook: Chapter 23 pgs. 501-507	Civil Rights Era Continues	
Thu	11/12	Read Textbook: Chapter 23 pgs. 501-507	Read Textbook: Chapter 23 pgs. 501-507	
Tue	11/17	Read Textbook: Chapter 23	Lyndon Johnson sworn in as President	
Thu	11/19	Textbook: Read Chapter 23	Major Victories in the struggle for Civil Rights	
Tue	11/24	Textbook: Read Chapter 23	"Malcolm X and the "Nation of Islam"	
Tue	12/1	Textbook: Read Chapter 24	Black Panther Part: Bobby Seale & Huey P. Newton	12/1 Fifth Essay Due
Thu	12/3	Textbook: Read Chapter 24	Martin Luther King Assassinated	
Tue	12/8	Final Exam		Final Exam

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