



This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designated as critical (in boldface and shaded areas) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Upper Div.	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Important Notes
Semester One: [14-15 Credit Hours]					
PAS 23001 The Black Experience I	3			■	Fulfills Kent Core Humanities and global diversity
US 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience	1				Not required of transfer students with 25 credits
Foreign Language Requirement (Elementary I)	4-5				See note 1 on page 2; fulfills College General Requirement
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Two: [16-17 Credit Hours]					
PAS 23002 The Black Experience II	3			■	Fulfills Kent Core Humanities and domestic diversity
Foreign Language Requirement (Elementary II)	4-5				See note 1 on page 2; fulfills College General Requirement
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
General Elective	3				
Semester Three: [15-17 Credit Hours]					
PAS 22200 Introduction to African Arts or PAS 33200 Ancient African Civilizations or PAS 34000 Introduction to African World View	3			■	
Foreign Language Requirement	3-5				See note 1 on page 2; fulfills College General Requirement
Diaspora Studies Elective	3			■	See note 2 on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Four: [15-17 Credit Hours]					
Foreign Language Requirement	3-5				See note 1 on page 2; fulfills College General Requirement
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Kent Core Requirement	3				
General Elective	3				
Semester Five: [15 Credit Hours]					
PAS 37000 Oral and Written Discourses in Pan-African Studies	3	■		■	Fulfills writing intensive course requirement; see note 4 on page 2
Diaspora Studies Elective or Concentration Elective	3	■		■	See notes 2 on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
College General Requirement	3				Must be from Kent Core Basic Sciences; see note 4 on page 3
College General Requirement	3				Must be from Kent Core Social Sciences; see note 5 on page 3
Semester Six: [15 Credit Hours]					
PAS 35100 Black Social and Political Thought or PAS 35200 African Social and Political Systems	3	■		■	
Diaspora Studies Electives	6	■		■	See note 2 on page 2
General Elective (upper division)	6	■			
Semester Seven: [15 Credit Hours]					
PAS 37010 Research Methods in Pan-African Studies	3	■		■	
Concentration Electives (upper division)	3	■		■	Electives must be approved by advisor
General Elective (upper division)	9	■			



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Semester Eight: [16 Credit Hours]					
PAS 47091 Senior Seminar in Pan-African Studies	3	■	C	■	Fulfills writing intensive course requirement; see note 3 on page 2
Concentration Electives (upper division)	3	■		■	Electives must be approved by advisor
General Electives	10				Number of credits required depends on meeting minimum 121 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division credit hours

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Global / Domestic Diversity Course	Writing-Intensive	Experiential Learning	Minimum Major GPA Overall GPA	
121	42	36	PAS 23001/Kent Core or General Elective	PAS 37000 or 47091	Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/elr	2.000	2.000

Kent Core Summary

Kent Core Categories	Important Notes	Remaining Credit Hours
Composition (6-8 credit hours) <i>ENG 11002, 11011, 21011; HONR 10197, 10297</i>	Enrollment based on placement test	6-8
Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (3-5 credit hours)	Enrollment based on placement test	3-5
Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credit hours) <i>Minimum one course from humanities in Arts and Sciences category and minimum one course from fine arts category</i>	6 credit hours fulfilled with PAS 23001 and PAS 23002; final course must fulfill fine arts category; may fulfill global diversity requirement	3
Social Sciences (6 credit hours) <i>Must be selected from two curricular areas</i>	May fulfill diversity requirement	6
Basic Sciences (6-7 credit hours) <i>Must include one laboratory</i>		6-7
Additional (6 credit hours)	May fulfill global diversity requirement	6

Note 1: Pan-African Studies majors are recommended to satisfy their college language requirement with the study of an African language, such as Kiswahili.

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must have the equivalent of Elementary I and II in any language, plus one of the following options:

- a. Intermediate I and II of the same language
- b. Elementary I and II of a second language
- c. Any combination of two courses from the following list:
 - Intermediate I of the same language
 - MCLS 10001 Introduction to Structural Concepts for Language Students
 - MCLS 20000 Global Literacy and Cultural Awareness
 - MCLS 20091 Seminar: Global Literacy Case Studies

All students with prior foreign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may begin their university foreign language experience beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and fewer courses. This may be accomplished by: (1) passing a course beyond the Elementary I through Intermediate II level or (2) receiving credit through Credit by Exam (CBE), the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Advanced Placement (AP) exam or credit through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program; or (3) being designated a "native speaker" of a non-English language (consult with the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Office for additional information). When students complete the requirement with fewer than 14 credit hours and four courses, they will complete the remaining hours with general electives.

Note 2: African Diaspora Studies electives (9–12 credit hours), choose from the following:

PAS 23310 Native American Culture	3	PAS 33310 Latinos, the African Diaspora and American Society	3
PAS 24407 Caribbean Studies I	3	PAS 33508 Caribbean Social and Political Direction	3
PAS 33110 The Black Woman: Historical Perspectives	3	PAS 37143 The African-Brazilian Experience in Culture and Literature	3
PAS 33120 The Black Man: Historical Perspectives	3	PAS 43395 Special Topics: African Diaspora Studies	3
PAS 33171 The African-American Community	3		

Note 3: A minimum C grade must be earned in either PAS 37000 or PAS 47091 to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement.



- Note 4:** One additional course taken from the Kent Core Basic Science courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Biological Sciences (BSCI), Chemistry (CHEM), Geography (GEOG), Geology (GEOL) or Physics (PHY). Students may take the courses listed in the "introductory" sequences with the restrictions noted above in the Kent Core Basic Science section. The course may not be from the student's major.
- Note 5:** One additional course taken from the Kent Core Social Sciences courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Applied Conflict Management (CACM), Geography (GEOG), Criminology and Justice Studies (JUS), Political Science (POL), Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOC). The course may not be from the student's major.
- Note:** All courses taken from the list of major program requirements are used in the calculation of the major GPA.

Kent Core

Students must complete a minimum 36 credit hours of the Kent Core. Certain courses required in programs and in student's major field may also fulfill the Kent Core. Honors equivalents shall satisfy the Kent Core. None of the courses on the Kent Core list may be taken with a pass/fail grade. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core for course list.

Diversity Course Requirement

Students must complete a two-course diversity requirement, consisting of one with a domestic (U.S.) focus and one with a global focus. One course must come from the Kent Core. The second course may be taken as a second Kent Core, within a major or minor, or as a general elective; or, with dean's approval, by completing one semester of study in another country. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity for course list.

Writing-Intensive Course Requirement

Students must complete a one-course writing-intensive requirement in their major and earn minimum C (2.000) grade. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/wic for course list.

Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR)

To provide students with direct engagement in learning experiences that promote academic relevance, meaning and an understanding of real-world issues, students must complete this requirement at Kent State, either as a for-credit course or as a non-credit, non-course experience approved by the appropriate faculty member. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/elr for course list.

Upper-Division Requirement

Students must complete a minimum 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours of coursework. Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences require a minimum of 42 hours of upper-division coursework.

Foreign Language

Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/foreign-languages for course list.

