

## Region-Specific Courses Overview

The purpose of these informational documents is to help GRS students choose courses that would be of interest for their resource specialization. This is an overview of current courses, although they may change in the future. The most updated information can be found on the UBC course website:

<https://courses.students.ubc.ca>

\*\* Undergraduate students are sometimes able to take graduate level courses with special permission. Please ask.

### **African Studies**

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| <u>Course Number</u> | <u>Course Name</u>   | <u>Description</u>   |
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| AFST 250A            | Introduction to African Studies                                      | Cultural, historical, and geographical issues of African Studies.  |
| AFST 351A            | Perspectives in African Studies: Literary and Theoretical Approaches | Major issues and theoretical approaches.   |
| AFST 352A            | Perspectives in African Studies: A Social Science Approach           | Major issues and theoretical approaches.   |
| AFST 450R            | African Diasporic Culture in African Canadian Communities            | African diasporic culture in Canadian society, fostering dialogue with members of African Canadian communities on cultural values, traditions, memory, adaptation and change.  |
| ARTH 309             | Arts of Africa and the African Diasporas                             | Comparative exploration of art practices and their relationship to colonial and postcolonial histories.  |
| ENGL 370             | Literatures and Cultures of Africa and/or the Middle East            | Literary and cultural works from Africa; some sections include Africa and the Middle East. Multiple perspectives on local, national, and global issues including colonialism, migration, transnationalism, education, art and politics. May include fiction, poetry, drama, digital media, and other forms. Consult department website for current year's offerings. |
| FREN 418K            | Studies in African and/or Caribbean Literatures of French Expression | An advanced course in francophone literature. Topics include francophone literary movements, postcolonial studies, and critical readings of literary works from Africa and the Caribbean.  |
| GEOG 352             | Urbanization in the Global South                                     | Urbanization in the developing countries of Latin America, Africa, and Asia; the role of cities in the development process and the features and problems of rapid urbanization.  |

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| GEOG 496 | Geography of Africa  | A comparative regional analysis of Africa with a focus on contemporary environmental and development issues. Credit will be allowed for only one of GEOG 396 and 496.   |
| HIST 256 | History of Africa  | The civilizations of Asia, Europe, Africa and the Americas, with emphasis on the political, economic, ecological and cultural links among them, and the impact of oceanic contact, imperialism, warfare, migration, and globalization.  |
| HIST 312 | Southern Africa  | Pre-colonial, colonial, and contemporary, emphasizing South Africa.   |
| ANTH 332 | Oral Tradition   | An ethnographic perspective on the dynamics of oral tradition in various oral and literate cultures; the characteristics and roles of oral genres including folktale, genealogy, oral history, autobiography, and myth in these societies; and the relationship between orality and literacy.   |
| ECON 442 | Issues in Economic Development                             | Divergence in the world economy, poverty, consequences of initial inequality, institutions, the impact of history, recent developmental experience-some case studies, labour and credit markets, the trickle down process.  |
| GRSJ 415 | Critical Racial and Anti-Colonial Feminist Approaches      | Critical anti-colonial and feminist analyses of colonial and racial subjugation, as well as the many modalities of indigenous and minority resistance.  |
| NEST 304 | Ancient Egypt: The Archaeology of the Land of the Pharaohs | The material remains of the ancient Egyptians from monumental tombs and temples to the artifacts of daily life; the development of Egyptian civilization from the rise of the first rulers to its incorporation into the Roman Empire.  |
| NEST 313 | Introduction to Middle Egyptian                            | Language of Ancient Egypt and the main literary texts composed during the Middle Kingdom.   |
| POLI 373 | Ethics in World Politics                                   | When is it right to wage war? Who should pay for global warming? Should the wealthy provide foreign aid- how much? Analysis of traditions of moral thought to reach reasoned judgments about such dilemmas in global politics.  |
| SOCI 301 | Sociology of Development and Underdevelopment              | Processes of social change in the Third World and other developing countries. Major themes stress the relationship between urbanization and industrialization; modernization and ethnic conflict; imperialism, neo-colonialism, and foreign aid; and intra-national modernization problems such as regional underdevelopment in industrial societies. |
| SOCI 415 | Theories of Family and Kinship                             | Theoretical approaches to the study of the family and family forms.   |

**Other graduate courses might be available if student meets eligibility**

[https://www.grad.ubc.ca/sites/default/files/forms/enrolment\\_undergraduate.pdf](https://www.grad.ubc.ca/sites/default/files/forms/enrolment_undergraduate.pdf)

Previously available courses (may be available again in the future):

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| AFST 350A  | African Studies  |
| AFST 352A  | Perspectives in African Studies: A Social Science Approach |
| GEOG 390A  | Geography of Selected Regions                              |
| GEOG 519** | Environment, Development and Security                      |
| HIST 312   | Southern Africa  |
| HIST 313   | Africa from Imperialism to Independence                    |
| WMST 311   | African/Black Women in the Americas                        |
| AFST 380A  | Study of Sociolinguistics of a Selected African Language   |
| ANTH 303B  | Ethnography of Special Areas                               |
| ANTH 319   | The Emergence of Complex Societies in Eurasia and Africa   |
| FREN 349   | French Literatures in Translation II                       |
| HIST 332   | African American History                                   |