

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

BLACK STUDIES

Black studies focuses on exploring the historical, cultural, social, and political experiences of African Americans and people of African descent worldwide. Through coursework, students critically examine issues of race, identity, power, and resistance, creating a deeper understanding of the complexities of Black life and its impact on society.

COMMON JOB TITLES * additional education or certification required post graduation

ENTRY & MID LEVEL POSITIONS

Community Outreach Coordinator
Social Justice Advocate
Consultant
Policy Analyst*
Case Worker
Professor*
DEI Director
Licensed Counselor*

Lobbyist*
Social Services Manager
Cultural Competency Trainer
Lawyer*
Public Relations Specialist
Outreach Specialist
HR Manager
Research Coordinator

AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT: WHERE DO BLACK STUDIES MAJORS TYPICALLY WORK?

Schools & Universities: Omaha Public Schools, UNO, UNL

Nonprofit Organizations: Girls Inc., Omaha Community Foundation

Government: NE Dept. of Education, NE Dept. of Labor, NE DHHS

Consulting Firms: Holland & Knight, McCarthy Group, The Firm Consulting

Corporations: Berkshire Hathaway, Union Pacific, Gallup

Hospitals & Healthcare: Nebraska Medicine, CHI Health, OneWorld

Federal/Local/State Courts: Douglas County District Court, NE Judicial Branch

Policy Organizations: Greater Omaha Chamber, NE Civic Engagement

Media Outlets: KETV, Omaha World-Herald, KMTV

Art & Cultural Organizations: El Museo Latino, African Culture Connection

IMPORTANT QUALITIES:

Transferable Skills Gained:

Communication Skills
Cultural Awareness
Writing Skills
Problem Solving Skills
Interpersonal Skills

Concrete Skills Gained:

Microsoft Applications
Google Suite
SPSS
Google Scholar
Canva

HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS :

Become part of the **UNO Black Studies Student Association** to gain leadership experience and further your knowledge about black studies

Join the **American Multicultural Students Agency** at UNO to grow culturally and socially

Attend events, discussions, and volunteer at the **UNO Community Engagement Center** to collaborate with others and contribute to community growth

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MAJOR + MINOR SPECIALIZATION: HOW CAN I SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING BEFORE I GRADUATE?

Black Studies + Leadership & Public Policy minor = Policy Analyst*

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Black Studies + Human Rights Studies minor = Social Justice Advocate/Case Worker

Black Studies + Communication Studies minor = Community Outreach Coordinator

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK:

Public Relations Specialists

Social & Community Service Managers

School & Career Counselors

HR Managers

Medical & Health Services Managers

Lawyers

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Check out daily job postings on **Handshake** related to accounting jobs, internships, and opportunities to boost your student experience

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:

A **Masters degree** or **Doctoral Degree** may be beneficial or required after graduation depending on your desired career path. Advanced degrees offer opportunities for specialized study, research, and development

More information:

UNO Graduate Programs A-Z

UNO Office of Graduate Studies

OTHER RESOURCES :

UNO Department of Black Studies

Career Exploration in Career Services

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Occupational Outlook Handbook

NEED SOME EXTRA HELP?


Book an appointment with Career Services

Book an appointment with your Advisor

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