Program Learning Outcomes for the Department of Africana Studies

- Facilitates student analysis and knowledge of the conceptual approaches and tools of inquiry best suited to explore, explain, describe and advance the lived experience(s) of Africana peoples;
- Conduct critical, scientific research on issues of relevance to Africana peoples;
- Creatively and critically evaluate issues that Africana-identified people experience in unique and common ways;
- Apply, analyze and encourage teachers’, students’ and alumni sharing of Africana Studies’ curricular outcomes, knowledge and research with community stakeholders, organizations as well as actively engage in service learning projects;
- Synthesize a core curriculum concerning how people of African descent have demonstrated resilience: consciously shaping and reshaping their environments over time and in the present, while meeting challenges, achieving goals and resisting oppression;
- Demonstrate and evaluate specialized learning and competencies necessary in professions in which they will encounter people of African descent;
- Analyze the diversities of Black experiences as a window to fully comprehend the American experience, and thus, the human experience.