In the African American Studies Program, students will learn to evaluate the multifaceted influences surrounding African American culture and history in South Carolina, the South and beyond. Studying Black intellectual traditions offers students the perspectives to adapt to a changing world and informs students’ commitment to social equity and civil discourse.

Our faculty teach courses in political science, literature, music, anthropology and more, through a range of interdisciplinary research methods and critical perspectives. Our department offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in African American Studies or a minor to bolster and broaden a student’s primary major.