

# ASACR 4

Office of the President  
December 11, 2018

Members, Board of Trustees:

ACADEMIC DEGREE RECOMMENDATION:  
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in African-American and Africana Studies in the College of Arts & Sciences beginning in the Fall 2019 Semester.

Background: The program will allow students to complete an interdisciplinary program of study that draws together the multifaceted understanding of the Africana experience. The rich and challenging coursework addresses historical, cultural, sociological, political, and psychological factors that affect the lives of African people. The proposed program will benefit from the strong demand for an undergraduate degree in this area. This interdisciplinary program will appeal to students who have interest in communication and media, education, non-profit, business, and government; equipping them as citizens, thinkers, and entrepreneurs. The initial estimated number of majors is 10, growing to 50 by 2023.

The program has the approval of the appropriate councils and the University Senate and has completed the 30 day review process of the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Provost of the University supports this recommendation.

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Action taken:     Approved     Disapproved     Other \_\_\_\_\_