

INTRODUCING OUR MASTER'S IN GLOBAL AFRICAN STUDIES

The Africa Institute, Global Studies University (GSU) in Sharjah, is pleased to announce that it has received confirmation from the Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA) in the UAE to start advertising its inaugural Master's (MA) program in Global African Studies. Scheduled to launch in January 2025, the program aims to cultivate a new generation of critical thinkers and professionals in African and African diaspora studies.

Our curriculum, the first of its kind in the UAE and the broader Gulf region, addresses crucial questions in Global Africa across humanities and social sciences, emphasizing a global perspective that transcends geographical and disciplinary boundaries.

The MA curriculum offers three specialized tracks: 1) Museum and Critical Heritage Studies; 2) Afro-Arab Relations; and 3) Diplomacy and Africa's International Relations.

Our interdisciplinary approach encompasses intellectual thought, the Indian Ocean world, the Muslim world, gender studies, feminist futures, and diaspora studies. The Africa Institute has assembled a faculty with the right expertise and diverse experiences, along with the agility to collaborate within, between, and across disciplines. Additionally, the program has successfully partnered with prominent scholars and US-based institutions such as Rutgers University and Cornell University.

Students will also have the unique opportunity to complete three language-learning semesters in their chosen [African language](#), earning a certificate licensed by the Sharjah Private Education Authority upon completion.



Additional details about the MA program and the application process will soon be available on our website. Stay tuned for updates!

