

# 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

# CAREER SERVICES

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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


#### Career Services

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