

African American & Africana Studies

What can I do with my major?



DEPARTMENT OF
AFRICAN AMERICAN
AND AFRICANA STUDIES

Skills Developed in Your Major



Historic and Current Social Knowledge: Ability to demonstrate and apply knowledge of social oppression and triumph.



Analytical Skills: Use research to analyze and propose solutions to social problems.



Making Change: Describe and propose solutions to issues of inequity, oppression and life outcomes on members of the African American and African Diaspora communities.



Communication: Communicate effectively orally, and in writing.

Related Careers

- Academic Advisor
- Archaeology Researcher
- Archive Specialist
- Associate Director of Equity and Inclusion
- Citizenship Program Coordinator
- Community Manager
- Consultant
- Data Analyst
- Education, Research, and Programming Assistant
- Fellow
- Legislative Aide
- Non-Profit Program Director
- Paralegal
- Peace Corps Member
- Political Director
- Public Policy Specialist
- Research Analyst
- State Delegate
- Service Learning Coordinator
- Teacher
- Victim Services Specialist
- Youth Advocate

Organizations Hiring AAAS Majors

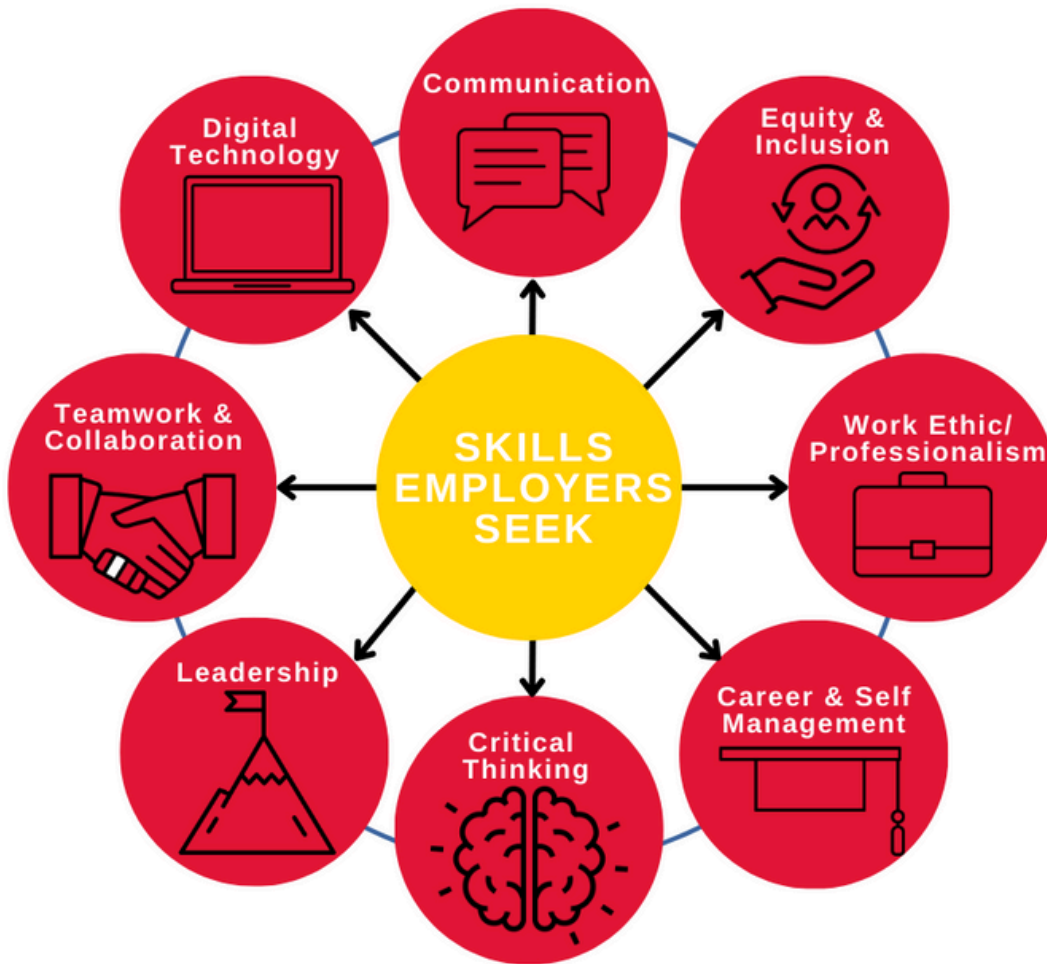
ACLU of Maryland
African Leaders
American Institutes for Research
Baltimore Youth Arts
Black Sports Online
Booz Allen Hamilton
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
Congressional Black Caucus Institute
Deloitte
Federal Trade Commission

George Washington University
Maryland General Assembly
Museum of African American History & Culture
NAACP
Peace Corps
Pew Research Center
Teach for America
U.S. African Dev. Foundation
U.S. Department of State
U.S. House of Representatives

Organization Types:

Advocacy
Business
Consulting
Education
Government
Law/Law
Non-Profit
Policy
Research

AAAS Major Employable Skills



IDENTIFY

Which skills are you gaining from coursework, campus involvement, or leadership experiences?

View [Examples](#).

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As you gain skills, add examples to the following.

- [Resume](#)
- [Elevator pitch](#)
- [Interview responses](#)
- [More!](#)

NACE Job Outlook Survey.

Technical Skills Acquired

AAAS students gain many technical and soft skills through the coursework. You can promote these skills in your applications.

- Social Science Research Methods
- Historical Research
- Oral and written communication
- Data Analysis
- Google Suite
- Microsoft Word

Expand Your Skills & Network

Gain Experience

- Internship
- Research
- Leadership

Meet Employers

- Career Fairs
- Terrapins Connect
- Intern For a Day

Career Planning

- Enrichment courses
- Handshake

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