Graduates with a B.A. in African American Studies will demonstrate:

- a critical understanding of key historical moments in Afro-American Studies.
- a critical engagement with both humanistic and social scientific approaches to the study of the African American experience.
- the ability to research and write critically on topics related to Afro-American Studies.
- critical understanding of the concepts of race and racism and their relationship to other identities like class, gender and sexual orientation.
- knowledge of some key African American aesthetic, literary, musical and other cultural traditions.
- knowledge of key social scientific theories used to explain and describe the African American experience.