

## M.A. in African Studies (with thesis)

ASBEN offers two Master's programs in African Studies: M.A. in African Studies - English (with thesis) and M.A. in African Studies - Turkish (with thesis) with the objective of providing a thorough understanding of the political and socioeconomic conditions of African countries. The curriculum of each program is composed of seven courses (three compulsory, four elective) and a seminar, as well as thesis and academic specialization. Furthermore, our students can take regional language courses (e.g. Arabic, French) as extra electives. The application requirements for our programs are announced at ASBÜ and ASBEN websites in June/July.

### M.A. in African Studies - English (with thesis), Compulsory Courses:

Area Studies: Theory and Method  
Africa in World Politics  
Research Methods and Publication Ethics  
Seminar

### M.A. in African Studies - English (with thesis), Elective Courses:

Political History of Africa  
Political Economy of Development in Africa  
Africa and Civilization: Theories and Representations  
Religious Movements in Africa  
Contemporary Studies on African Migration  
Identity Politics and Regional Stability in Africa  
Comparative Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa  
Comparative Politics of North Africa  
Critical Approaches to Anthropology and Colonialism  
African Security  
International Organizations in Africa  
International Law: African Cases  
Advanced International Relations Theories  
Free Elective (from other graduate programs)

Given the program structure above, students who intend to pursue an academic career in the field of international relations, for instance, can graduate by choosing those respective courses. On the other hand, students who want to follow a multidisciplinary curriculum are offered a wide range of choices from sociology, economics, anthropology and other disciplines/programs.

M.A. in African Studies, Sample Curriculum

<b>1st Year</b>	<b>2nd Year</b>
1st Semester - Fall	3rd Semester - Fall
Area Studies: Theory and Method Research Methods and Publication Ethics Elective 1: Political History of Africa Elective 2: International Organizations in Africa	Thesis Academic Specialization
2nd Semester - Spring	4th Semester - Spring
Africa in World Politics Seminar Elective 3: African Security Elective 4: Comparative Politics of North Africa	Thesis Academic Specialization