

# AFRICAN STUDIES, DOCTORAL MINOR

The Doctoral Minor in African Studies is for students completing a Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin–Madison who wish to focus their study on Africa. It requires four courses or seminars in two departments outside the student's major department. The African studies minor is completed under "Minor Option A" of the Graduate School regulations.

## **SUGGESTIONS FOR STUDENTS PURSUING THE DOCTORAL MINOR IN AFRICAN STUDIES**

- **Early Approval of Minor Program:** It is the student's responsibility as a graduate student to determine that all courses/seminars being completed are eligible for inclusion in the doctoral minor. Students are encouraged to consult with the African Studies Program advisor before taking courses intended to be included in the minor.
- **Language Training:** In planning the program, students should bear in mind the strong desirability of attaining competence in an African language. For many kinds of research, ability to use a language as a research tool is indispensable.
- **Auditing Courses:** In addition to courses and seminars formally taken for credit, students are encouraged to audit additional offerings to develop a broad competence in African studies.