

ASIAN STUDIES

The Asian studies minor is designed for students wishing to develop their knowledge of Asian culture, history and thought in order to become more aware and responsive citizens of a globally integrated world.

MINORS

Asian Studies

The Asian studies minor aims to broaden a student's major program of study by adding a global, comparative perspective to any area of inquiry in the arts, humanities and social sciences. The minor also helps to prepare students who desire careers in international affairs, international business and international law. Study abroad is strongly recommended, but not required.

A minor in Asian studies consists of a minimum of 20 credits:

It is recommended that students choose courses in such a way that they are exposed to more than one Asian country.

- eight credits must be from courses in the area of culture and thought
- four credits must be from courses in the area of history
- four credits must be from courses in the area of contemporary politics and society.
- the remaining four credits may be chosen from any approved Asian studies course or a course in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese or other Asian language

The courses below are described in the catalog under the discipline to which they refer. Other courses may be offered that fulfill the Asian studies minor. For further information, contact the director of the program.

Culture and Thought

Two courses (8 credits) from the following:

- ART 360 – Asian Art and Culture
- CHIN 295 – Intro to China: Film and Literature
- ENGL 233 – Ancient Global Literature
- MUS 104 – World Music
- PHIL 237 – World Philosophies I
- PHIL 241 – Philosophies of China and Japan
- PHIL 242 – Philosophies of India and Tibet

- REL 281 – Introduction to World Religions
- REL 381 – Religions of India
- REL 383 – Studies in Islam
- REL 389 – Studies in World Religions

History

One course (4 credits) from the following:

- HIST 207 – Intro to World History to 1500
- HIST 270 – Modern China
- HIST 280 – Modern Imperialism
- HIST 295 – Studies in Non-Western History
- HIST 370 – Modern Middle East
- HIST 371 – Paris and Shanghai
- JAPN 280/295 – Intro to Japan Culture and History

Contemporary Politics and Society

One course (4 credits) from the following:

- IDS 200 – Encounter with Cultures
- IDS 210 – Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- POL 151 – Introduction to Global Politics
- POL 160 – Women in a Global Society
- POL 303 – Asian Politics
- SOC 151 – Cultural Anthropology

Proficiency in Asian Language

Students must demonstrate at least one year of language proficiency in an Asian language. This requirement may be satisfied by the following courses: Arabic 102, Chinese 102, Japanese 102, or a satisfactory score on a placement exam.

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