The Asian Studies Program is designed to provide students with a coherent introduction to the language, history, and culture of East, Southeast, and South Asia and to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the major social and political forces at work in the region, supported by appropriate language training. We offer in-depth examinations of individual countries while also analyzing transnational issues that connect Asia, other regions, and the rest of the world including the United States through our Asian-related courses in anthropology, art, Asian studies, Chinese, education, English, ethnic studies, geography, history, humanities and religious studies, Japanese, kinesiology, Korean, music, philosophy, Punjabi, sociology, women’s studies, and world languages & literatures. Students are highly encouraged to study an Asian language and consider study abroad, with multiple programs offered across Asia.

Graduates of the program utilize their knowledge and training to continue their studies at graduate institutions or through employment in government, business, or education. The program actively increases the awareness of Asia on our campus and is a resource for the community in the capital region through its support for student clubs, faculty colloquia, and cultural activities.

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Requirements – Minor
Units required for the Minor: 18
Minimum total units required for the BA: 120

The minor offers students a foundation to understand the dynamic changes across the region of East, South, and Southeast Asia through required pan-Asia courses that compare and analyze the region in comparative perspective. Students will develop a framework to explore Asia from an interdisciplinary perspective and may choose to focus their interests through elective offerings. It is particularly relevant for students in various academic or applied disciplines who have a regional interest in Asia. Electives are grouped geographically for logical clarity and convenience and map the scope and scale of our expertise. Please consult a faculty adviser for questions.

Language proficiency is not required for the minor; however, students are highly encouraged to study an Asian language.

A. Core Requirements (6 units)
1. ASIA 1 Asia in the World Today
2. ASIA 111 Asian Migration and Diaspora

B. Foundational Core (3 units): select one
1. ART 3A Traditional Asian Art
2. ART 3B Modern & Contemporary Asian Art
3. HIST 6 Asian Civilizations
4. HRS 70 Arts & Ideas of Asia I
5. HRS 71 Arts & Ideas of Asia II

C. Culminating Core (3 units): select one
1. ASIA 110 Anthropology of Contemporary Asia
2. ASIA 198 Modern East Asian Cinema
3. HIST/HRS 147 History of Buddhism
4. HRS 171 Introduction to the East Asian World
5. MUSC 119A World Music: Asia

D. Electives (6 units)
Note: Choose 6 units from two different groupings listed here (upper division only).

GROUP 1: CHINA
1. ANTH 148 Anthropology of Chinese Societies
2. ASIA 146 US-China Relations
3. CHIN 110 Advanced Mandarin: Modern Chinese Fiction
4. CHIN 120 Chinese Civilizations
5. CHIN 150 Survey of Chinese Literature
6. HIST 148A China: Antiquity to 1600
7. HIST 148B China, 1600-present
8. HRS 172 The Classical Culture of China
9. HRS 173 Chinese Philosophy and Religion
10. KINS 118C Martial Arts: Tai Chi
11. PHIL 145A Chinese Philosophy

GROUP 2: JAPAN
1. ANTH 134 Japanese Culture and Society
2. HIST 146A Cultural History of Japan to 1800
3. HIST 146B Modern Japan 1800 to present
4. HIST 146C History of Manga
5. HRS 174 Modern Japanese Literature and Culture
6. JAPN 110 Introduction to Japanese Literature
7. JAPN 116A Language and Culture of the Japanese
8. JAPN 116B Language and Culture of the Japanese
9. JAPN 120 Japanese Civilization
10. JAPN 128 Introduction to Japanese Popular Culture
11. JAPN 150 Advanced Japanese Grammar: Conversation
12. KINS 118A Martial Arts: Karate

GROUP 3: KOREA
1. ASIA 134 History of Korea: Antiquity-Present
2. ASIA 135 Contemporary Korean Culture
3. ASIA 136 Korean Development and Behavior
4. ART 117C Art of Korea
5. EDUC 128 Education/Communication in Korean Society
6. KINS 118B Martial Arts: Tae Kwon Do

GROUP 4: SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST ASIA
1. ANTH 147 Peoples of Southeast Asia
2. ANTH 149 Cultures of South Asia
3. ART 117A Arts of India and Southeast Asia
4. ASIA 151 Genocide in Southeast Asia
5. HIST 144 Indonesia, 1965: Cold War Mass Murder
6. HIST 145 South Asian History & Civilization
7. HIST 149 The Making of Modern Southeast Asia
8. HIST/HRS 147 History of Buddhism
9. HRS 178 Religions of India
10. HRS 178A Religions of India I: The Formative Period
11. HRS 178B India's Religions: Jains and Sikhs
12. HRS 179A The Hindu Year: Fall
13. HRS 179B The Hindu Year: Spring
14. PHIL 145B Philosophies of India
15. WOMS 125 Sex and Gender in South Asia

GROUP 5: ASIAN-AMERICAN
1. ENGL 180M Asian American Literature
2. ETHN 110 The Asian American Experience
3. ETHN 111 Southeast Asians in the U.S.
4. ETHN 112 Contemporary Asian American Issues
5. ETHN 113 Asian American Communities
6. ETHN 114 Asian Americans and Globalization
7. ETHN 116 Asian American Politics and Public Policy
8. ETHN/WOMS 118 Asian American Women
9. ETHN 119 The Filipino American Experience
10. ETHN 121 Hmong American Experience
11. ETHN 122 Sikh Americans and Globalization
12. ETHN 167 Asian American Families

GROUP 6: PAN-ASIA
1. ART 113B Asian Art & Mythology
2. ART 115 Topics in Asian Art
3. ART 117B Art of China and Japan
4. ASIA 110 Anthropology of Contemporary Asia
5. ASIA 140 Modern East Asian Cinema
6. ASIA 190 Travel Study in Asia
7. ASIA 195 Internship: Asian Studies
8. GEOG 125 Geography of East Asia
9. HIST/HRS 147 History of Buddhism
10. HIST 192C Seminar in Recent Interpretations of Asia
11. HRS 171 Introduction to the East Asian World
12. HRS 175 Zen Buddhism and Daoism
13. HRS 176 The Confucian Tradition
14. MUSC 119A World Music: Asia
15. POLS 145 Asian Politics
16. SOC 160 Asian Societies