

# What is The Asian Studies Program?

The Program provides students with a coherent introduction to the languages, histories, and cultures of East, Southeast, and South Asia and promotes an interdisciplinary understanding of the major social and political forces at work in the region. We offer in-depth examinations of particular countries while also analyzing transnational issues that connect Asia, other regions, and the rest of the world including the United States. 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 symposia, and cultural activities.



Asia is a **dynamic, fascinating, and diverse space!**

## So, what do you do with a degree in Asian Studies?

Graduates of the program may utilize their knowledge and training to continue their studies at graduate institutions here in the United States or in Asia, or through employment in government, business, or education.

### Education

Teach Asian history or languages in K-12, relocate to Asia temporarily to teach English, or consider jobs with international educational exchange programs.

### Non-profit sector

Advocate for and provide services to Asian populations that also have made a home in the Sacramento region.

### State or federal government jobs

Address public policy related to Asia in sectors such as the environment, trade, media, and other issues.

### Private companies

Explore Asian-based companies that operate in California, perhaps in the tech or entertainment industry. You may even try to think of a start-up company yourself, an idea perhaps inspired by your study abroad experience; and if your language abilities improve, whole other areas of opportunity emerge.

## Why Asian Studies?

Studying Asia is crucial for understanding the world's largest and most populous continent, its rich heritage, burgeoning economies, complex relationships, and dramatic influence on global affairs. Our major can help you develop tangible skills: adaptability, open-mindedness, critical thinking, cultural sensitivity, language training, regional expertise, and more. Our program is also well-suited to pairing with your current pathway, earning a credential with a second major or minor. It is up to you to chart your future course, but we can help!



# Bachelor of Arts in Asian Studies (39 units)

Asian-related courses in anthropology, art, Asian studies, Chinese, education, English, ethnic studies, geography, history, humanities and religious studies, Japanese, kinesiology, Korean, music, philosophy, political science, Punjabi, sociology, women's and gender studies, and world languages & literatures. Students are highly encouraged to consider study abroad and internships.

## Minors (typically 18 units)

Asian Studies  
Chinese language  
Chinese Studies  
Japanese language  
Korean Studies  
South and Southeast Asian Studies

## Study Abroad Destinations

China            Taiwan  
Japan            Thailand  
Korea



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