

Asian Studies Major and Minor

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Major

Requirements for Asian Studies Major (27 credits)

To graduate with a BA degree in Asian Studies, students must complete a minimum of 27 credits approved by the Asian Studies program director. The program must include a minimum of 18 credits selected from the Core Courses, and 9 credits from the General Electives, selected after consultation with the Asian Studies program advisor. In addition to the core and elective courses, proficiency at the 2020-level or higher in an Asian language is required for graduation.

Core Courses

ECON 5400 International and Development Economics (F)	3
ENGL 3320 Period Studies in World Literature (when syllabus includes Asian literature) (F,Sp)	3
ENGL 4360 Studies in Drama/Film (when course subtitle is Asia) (Sp)	3
GEOG 4200 (CI) Regional Geography (when region covered is Asian) (F,Sp,Su)	3
HIST 1060 (BHU) Introduction to Islamic Civilization	3
HIST/ARTH 3110 (DHA/CI) Ancient Near East	3
HIST 3410 The Modern Middle East	3
HIST 3460 Comparative Asian History	3
HIST 3480 History of China	3
HIST 3490 Survey of Japanese History (F)	3
HIST 4821 (DHA) World War II in Asia (Sp)	3
HIST 4890 (DHA) Cold War in Asia (F,Sp)	3
LANG/ANTH/HIST 3550 (DHA) Culture of East Asia	3
MIS 4550 (CI) Principles of International Business Communications (Sp)	3
PHIL 3710 Philosophies of East Asia (F)	3
PHIL 4900 Special Topics (when syllabus includes Asian philosophies) (F,Sp)	3
POLS 3230 Middle Eastern Government and Politics (F)	3
POLS 3250 (DSS) Chinese Government and Politics (F)	3
POLS 4220 (CI) Ethnic Conflict and Cooperation (when syllabus includes Asian Conflicts) (Sp)	3
POLS 4260 Southeast Asian Government and Politics (Sp)	3
POLS 4470 Foreign Policy in the Pacific (Sp)	3
RELS/HIST 3010 Introduction to Buddhism	3
RELS/HIST 3020 Introduction to Hinduism	3
RELS/HIST 4010 Buddhism in the West	3
SOC 4710 Asian Societies (Sp)	3
SOC 4730 Women in International Development (Sp)	3

General Electives

(required minimum of 9 credits):

ANTH 1010 (BSS) Cultural Anthropology (F,Sp)	3
ANTH 2010 (BSS) Peoples of the Contemporary World (Sp)	3
ANTH 3160 (DSS) Anthropology of Religion (F)	3
ANTH/LING 4100 The Study of Language (F,Sp)	3
ANTH 5100 (DSS) Anthropology of Sex and Gender (F,Sp)	3
ANTH 5160 (DSS) Cities and Development (F,Sp)	3
ANTH/GEOG/SOC 5650 (DSS) Developing Societies (F)	3
BA 4300 International Finance (F,Sp)	3
BA 4590 Global Marketing Strategy (F,Sp)	3
ECON 3400 (DSS) International Economics for Business (F,Sp,Su)	3

ECON 5120 Economics of Russia and Eastern Europe, 9th Century to 21st Century (F)	3
ECON 5150 (DSS) Comparative Economic Systems (F,Sp)	3
ECON 5850 Regional and Community Economic Development (F)	3
GEOG 1300 (BSS) World Regional Geography (F)	3
GEOG 1400 (BSS) Human Geography (Sp)	3
GEOG 2130 Population Geography (Sp)	3
GEOG 3430 Political Geography (Sp)	3
NR 1010 (BSS) Humans and the Changing Global Environment	3
PLSC 4300 World Food Crops and Cropping Systems: The Plants That Feed Us (F even)	3
POLS 2100 Introduction to International Politics (F,Sp)	3
POLS 2200 (BSS) Comparative Politics (F,Sp)	3
POLS 5440 (DSS) Gender and World Politics (Sp)	3
SOC 3200 (DSS) Population and Society (F,Sp)	3
SOC 3600 Sociology of Urban Places (F)	3
SOC 6310 Sociology of Work and Occupations (Sp)	3
SPCH 3330 (DSS) Intercultural Communication (F)	3

Languages

Demonstrated proficiency at the 2020-level or higher in one of the following Asian languages is required for the Asian Studies major. For students completing an Asian Studies minor, an Asian language is recommended.

CHIN 1010 Chinese First Year I (F)	5
CHIN 1020 Chinese First Year II (Sp)	5
CHIN 2010 Chinese Second Year I (F)	5
CHIN 2020 Chinese Second Year II (Sp)	5
CHIN 3010 Chinese Third Year I (F)	4
CHIN 3020 Chinese Third Year II (Sp)	4
CHIN 3100 Readings in Contemporary Chinese Culture (Sp)	3
CHIN 3510 Chinese Business Language (F)	3
JAPN 1010 Japanese First Year I (F)	5
JAPN 1020 Japanese First Year II (Sp)	5
JAPN 2010 Japanese Second Year I (F)	5
JAPN 2020 Japanese Second Year II (Sp)	5
JAPN 3010 Japanese Third Year I (F)	4
JAPN 3020 Japanese Third Year II (Sp)	4
JAPN/ART 3050 Japanese Calligraphy (Sp)	1
JAPN 3100 Readings in Contemporary Japanese Culture (F)	3
JAPN 3510 Japanese for the Business Environment (Sp)	3
JAPN 4250 Internship/Coop (Su)	3-9
KOR 1010 Korean First Year I (F)	5
KOR 1020 Korean First Year II (Sp)	5
KOR 2010 Korean Second Year I (F)	5
KOR 2020 Korean Second Year II (Sp)	5
KOR 3010 Korean Third Year I (F)	4
KOR 3020 Korean Third Year II (Sp)	4
KOR 3510 Business Korean (F)	3

Minor

Requirements for Asian Studies Minor (20 credits)

Minors must complete a minimum of 12 credits selected from the Core Courses. The remaining 8 credits must be chosen from the General Electives or from the following language classes:

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CHIN 3010 Chinese Third Year I (F).....	4
CHIN 3020 Chinese Third Year II (Sp)	4
CHIN 3100 Readings in Contemporary Chinese Culture (Sp)	3
CHIN 3510 Chinese Business Language (F)	3
JAPN 3010 Japanese Third Year I (F)	4
JAPN 3020 Japanese Third Year II (Sp)	4
JAPN/ART 3050 Japanese Calligraphy (Sp)	1
JAPN 3100 Readings in Contemporary Japanese Culture (F)	3
JAPN 3510 Japanese for the Business Environment (Sp).....	3
KOR 3010 Korean Third Year I (F).....	4
KOR 3020 Korean Third Year II (Sp).....	4
KOR 3510 Business Korean (F).....	3

Sample Four-year Plan for Asian Studies Major

Minimum GPA for Admission: 2.5, USU; 2.2, Career
Minimum GPA for Graduation: 2.5, major requirements including foreign language; 2.0, USU
Minimum Grade Accepted: C- in all major requirements including foreign language

This is a sample plan. It outlines University and major requirements in very general terms. While there are requirements that are sequential, many are flexible and do not need to be completed exactly in the order listed. Students should always check with their faculty and professional advisors to be sure they are meeting the requirements appropriately. To make an appointment with a professional advisor, call (435) 797-3883.

Freshman Year (30 credits)

Fall Semester (15 credits)	
Asian Language 1010-level course	5
Quantitative Literacy (QL) course.....	3
University Studies Breadth courses.....	6
Elective course	1

Spring Semester (15 credits)

ENGL 1010 (CL1) Introduction to Writing: Academic Prose	3
Asian Language 1020-level course	5
University Studies Breadth courses.....	6
Elective course	1

Complete the CIL exams by the end of the Freshman Year.

Sophomore Year (30 credits)

Fall Semester (15 credits)	
Asian Language 2010-level course	5
Asian General Elective course	3
University Studies Breadth courses.....	6
Elective course	1

Spring Semester (15 credits)

ENGL 2010 (CL2) Intermediate Writing: Research Writing in a Persuasive Mode	3
Asian Language 2020-level course	5
Asian Core course	3
Asian General Elective course	3
Elective course	1

Junior Year (30 credits)

Fall Semester (15 credits)	
Asian General Elective course	3
Asian upper-division Core course.....	3
Communications Intensive (CI) course.....	3
Quantitative Intensive (QI) course	3
Depth Social Sciences (DSS) course (cannot be used toward minimum credits for Asian Studies major).....	3

Spring Semester (15 credits)

Asian upper-division Core courses.....	6
Communications Intensive (CI) course.....	3
Depth Life and Physical Sciences (DSC) course	3
Asian General Elective course	3

Senior Year (30 credits)

Fall Semester (15 credits)	
Asian upper-division Core course.....	3
Upper-division elective courses.....	10
Elective course	2

Spring Semester (15 credits)

Asian upper-division Core course.....	3
Upper-division elective courses.....	9
Elective course	3

Asian Language Course Descriptions

Chinese (CHIN), [click here](#)

Japanese (JAPN), [click here](#)

Korean (KOR), [click here](#)