

ASIAN STUDIES, MINOR

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Asian Studies at Eastern Kentucky University provides an understanding of Asia through a critical examination of the cultures, societies, languages, histories, religions, and politics of Asians and peoples of Asian descent throughout the world. An understanding of Asia enhances not only students' understanding of the world but also their prospects for employment in a wide variety of fields, including but not limited to international trade and industry, teaching and research, translation and interpretation, foreign policy and diplomacy, human rights and development, and immigration and social service. The program offers a minor (18 hours) and a certificate (12 hours) in Asian Studies.

A student may minor in Asian Studies by completing a minimum of 18 semester hours from at least three different departments; at least 9 hours at the 300 level or above.

Program Requirements

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Required Courses | | |
| <i>Language and Immersion</i> | | |
| Choose from one of the following: (or higher levels) | | 6 |
| CHN 101 & CHN 102 | Conversational Chinese I and Conversational Chinese II | |
| JPN 101 & JPN 102 | Conversational Japanese I and Conversational Japanese II | |
| FLS 101 & FLS 102 | Language Topics:____ and Language Topics:____ (Arabic, Chinese, or any other Asian language) | |
| Six hours of study abroad in any Asian country | | |
| Three hours of study abroad in any Asian country plus three hours of a language (101 level or higher) indigenous to that country | | |
| <i>Core Courses</i> | | |
| Students must take one core course each from two distinct areas: | | |
| Religion and Culture: | | |
| Choose from one of the following: | | 3 |
| REL 335 | Islam | |
| REL 340 | Religions of India | |
| REL 345 | Religions of China and Japan | |
| REL 350 | Buddhism | |
| History and Society: | | |
| Choose from one of the following: | | 3 |
| HIS 321 | Islamic Societies to 1800 | |
| HIS 322 | History of the Modern Middle East | |
| HIS 374 | East Asian History to 1600 | |
| HIS 379 | China- Empire and Revolution | |
| <i>Electives</i> | | |
| Choose from six hours of electives of all Asian language courses, all the "core courses" listed above, and any of the following: | | 6 |
| CHN 101 | Conversational Chinese I | |
| CHN 102 | Conversational Chinese II | |

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| ENG 345 | Literature and Film ¹ |
| FCC 210 | Topics in Culture:____ ¹ |
| FCC 227 | Japanese Culture and Civilization |
| HIS 204W | Historical Inquiry:____ ¹ |
| HIS 205 | The Marginalized in History:____ |
| HIS 300C | Topics in Non-Western History:____ ¹ |
| HIS 302C | Research Topics in History:____ ¹ |
| HIS 312C | Independent Study in History:____ ¹ |
| HIS 324 | Iran- State, Religion & Society |
| HIS 361 | Topics in the History of Eurasia:____ |
| HIS 376 | Japan-Samurai to Superpower |
| HON 307W | Honors Seminar in the Arts:____ ¹ |
| HON 308W | Honors Seminar in the Humanities:____ ¹ |
| HON 310W | Honors Seminar in History:____ ¹ |
| HON 312W | Honors Seminar in the Social and Behavioral Sciences:____ ¹ |
| HON 320W | Honors Seminar in Diversity of Perspectives and Experiences:____ ¹ |
| HUM 360 | Topics in Non-Western Traditions: ____ ¹ |
| HUM 395 | Independent Work in Humanities ¹ |
| HUM 490 | Topics in Humanities:____ ¹ |
| IES 333 | Study Abroad:____ |
| JPN 101 | Conversational Japanese I |
| JPN 102 | Conversational Japanese II |
| JPN 201 | Intermediate Japanese I |
| JPN 202 | Intermediate Japanese II |
| JPN 295 | Independent Work in Japanese |
| JPN 495 | Independent Work in Japanese |
| MUH 373 | The Diverse Worlds of Music ¹ |
| PHI 390 | Special Topics in Philosophy ¹ |
| POL 318 | Politics of the Middle East |
| PSY 497 | Advanced Topics in Psychology:____ ¹ |
| REL 301 | World Religions |
| REL 360 | Religion & Global Ethics |
| REL 370 | Special Topics in Religion ¹ |
| SOC 350 | Selected Topics in Sociology |
| UNP 200 | Study Abroad:____ ¹ |
| UNP 300 | Study Abroad:____ ¹ |
| UNP 400 | Study Abroad:____ ¹ |
| UNP 500 | Study Abroad:____ ¹ |

Total Hours **18**

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Topic must relate crucially to Asia; check with Director of Asian Studies Program