



ASIAN STUDIES

BACHELOR OF ARTS MINOR

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Pacific Asia, including the nation states on the Asian shores of the Pacific Rim — the Koreas, Japan, China, Taiwan, the Philippines, Vietnam, Kampuchea, Thailand, Burma, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei Darussalam, and Indonesia — is a region of great economic, political and strategic importance. Possessing immense natural and human resources, Pacific Asia is developing as the most dynamic region of the world. The major is designed to provide students with a coherent introduction to the language, history, and culture of Asian societies on the western rim of the Pacific Basin. The major offers three concentrations: Japanese Studies, Chinese Studies and General Pacific Asian Studies. While focusing on Pacific Asia, the program also supports the study of cultures from the Indian subcontinent and other regions of Asia. Each concentration provides an interdisciplinary understanding of the major social and historical forces at work in the region, supported by appropriate language training. Graduates of the program would either continue their studies at graduate institutions or utilize their knowledge and training through employment in government, business or education relating to this increasingly important region of the world.

The minor offers a student a framework to explore one or more Pacific Asian societies from an interdisciplinary perspective. The minor is an appropriate and timely course of study for any student wishing to better understand an increasingly important region of our world. It is particularly relevant for students in various academic or applied disciplines who have a regional interest in Pacific Asia.

FACULTY

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FEATURES

The program in Asian Studies is administered through the Center for Pacific Asian Studies, which is attached to the Department of Foreign Languages. The Center is composed of designated faculty in the departments of Anthropology, Communication Studies, Education, English, Environmental Studies, Ethnic Studies, Family and Consumer Sciences, Foreign Languages, Geography, Government, International Business, History, Philosophy, Humanities and Religious Studies, and Sociology. A Program Committee, comprised of the Director of the Center and six members of the Asian Studies faculty, oversees the Asian Studies Program. The Center also serves to support and facilitate various university activities related to furthering our understanding of the Pacific Asian region (recently extended to include the Indian subcontinent and other regions of Asia): faculty research, sponsoring summer training institutes, travel and residential programs in Pacific Asia, seminars for faculty, students and the community, and establishing collaborative links with institutions and community groups.

BACHELORS DEGREE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Total units required for BA: 124

Total units required for Major: 42

Courses in parentheses are prerequisites.

A. Core Requirements (15 units)

- (3) ANTH 147 Peoples of Southeast Asia
- (3) ASIA 100 Topics in Pacific Asian Studies
- (3) HIST 6 Asian Civilizations
- (3) HRS 70 Arts & Ideas of Asia, I
- (3) SOC 160 Asian Societies

B. Concentration Requirements (15 units)

Select one of the following areas:

1. Japanese Studies

- (15) Select five of the following:
 - ANTH 134 Japanese Culture & Society
 - HIST 146A Cultural History of Japan
 - HIST 146B Modern Japan
 - JAPN 116A Language & Culture of Japan (JAPN 2B or equivalent)
 - JAPN 116B Language & Culture of Japan (JAPN 116A or permission of instructor)
 - JAPN 120 Japanese Civilization
 - HRS 174 Modern Japanese Literature & Culture

2. Chinese Studies

- (15) Select five of the following:
 - CHIN 120 Chinese Civilization
 - CHIN 150 Survey of Chinese Literature (Passing score on WPE)
 - GOVT 145 China: Politics of Rule & Change (GOVT 1, 13, 113, or 150)
 - HIST 148A Traditional China
 - HIST 148B Modern China
 - HRS 172 The Classical Culture of China
 - HRS 173 Chinese Philosophy & Religion

3. General Pacific Asian Studies

- (15) Select five of the following:
 - ANTH 134 Japanese Culture & Society
 - HIST 146A Cultural History Japan
 - HIST 148A Traditional China
 - HIST 148B Modern China
 - HRS 171 Introduction to the Eastern World
 - HRS 173 Chinese Philosophy & Religion
 - PHIL 145 Far Eastern Philosophy (a 3 unit course in philosophy or permission of instructor)

C. Electives (12 units)

- (12) Select twelve units from the following:
 - CHIN 15A-B Elementary Cantonese
 - CHIN 102 Advanced Mandarin: Television, Film & Radio
 - CHIN 103 Advanced Mandarin: Conversation & Composition (CHIN 2B or permission of instructor)
 - CHIN 105 Advanced Mandarin: Topics in Chinese Linguistics
 - CHIN 110 Advanced Mandarin: Modern Chinese Fiction
 - CHIN 120 Chinese Civilization
 - CHIN 150 Survey of Chinese Literature (Passing score on WPE)
 - ETHN 100 Ethnic America
 - ETHN 110 Asian Americans: Status & Identity
 - ETHN 111 Asian Americans: Status & Identity
 - HIST 129C Century of Chinese-Russian Relations, 1850-present
 - HIST 147 Recent Japan, 1945-present

- FACS 124B Asian Design (FACS 123A, 123B; or permission of instructor; WPE)
- HRS 147 Modern Japanese Literature & Culture
- HRS 174 Modern Japanese Literature & Culture
- HRS 175 Zen Buddhism & Taoism
- JAPN 107 Business Japanese (two years of Japanese or permission of instructor)
- JAPN 150 Advanced Japanese Grammar & Conversation (JAPN 116A, 116B, or permission of instructor)
- Fieldwork 195 Approved by Program Committee
- Internship 197 Approved by Program Committee
- Tutorial 199 Approved by Program Committee

D. Language Proficiency Requirement

Students must demonstrate proficiency at a level equivalent to four semesters of an Asian language appropriate to their concentration by coursework or a language proficiency examination provided by the Department of Foreign Languages. The following courses are available at CSUS to fulfill the proficiency requirements:

- JAPN 1A-1B Elementary Japanese
- JAPN 2A-2B Intermediate Japanese
- CHIN 1A-1B Elementary Mandarin
- CHIN 2A-2B Intermediate Mandarin

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

The minor consists of 24 units, 12 of which must be in upper division.

A. Course Requirements (24 units)

- (12) The Core Course Requirements for the major
- (12) Three courses from one of the three major concentrations areas

B. Language Proficiency Requirement

Students must demonstrate proficiency at a level equivalent to two semesters of an Asian language appropriate to their concentration by coursework or a language proficiency examination provided by the Department of Foreign Languages. The following courses are available at CSUS to fulfill the proficiency requirements:

- JAPN 1A-1B Elementary Japanese
- JAPN 2A-2B Intermediate Japanese
- CHIN 1A-1B Elementary Mandarin
- CHIN 2A-2B Intermediate Mandarin

UPPER DIVISION COURSES

96. Experimental Offerings in Asian. Designed to explore special topics in Asian language and culture or experimental language acquisition methods. Seminar or lecture. 3 units.

100. Topics in Pacific Asian Studies. This is an undergraduate proseminar that examines a variety of issues concerning the past and contemporary relationship between America and Pacific Asia. Various cultural, historical, anthropological, political and socio-economic aspects of these relationship will be explored. The focus may vary with individual instructors. A required course for Asian Studies majors and minors. 3 units.

195. Internship: Asian Studies. Supervised work experience on topics related to the study of Asia's art, culture, economics, geography, environment, politics and government and social issues. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

199. Special Problems. Individual research projects, including directed readings, under the direction of an Asian Studies faculty person. 1-3 units.