ASIAN STUDIES, MINOR

Saint Louis University's Asian studies minor introduces students to the Chinese language and gives them insight into the culture and history of the Asian region.

As a rising region of the world, Asia is generating many economic opportunities, undergoing demographic expansion and growing technological connectivity. The 15-credit minor is open to all majors but is especially complementary to those studying political science, international studies, Chinese, theology and international business.

This interdisciplinary program connects students to professors in departments across the University, including theology, history, film studies and business.

Leadership
Pauline Lee, Ph.D.
Program Director

Requirements

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Students who demonstrate proficiency in an Asian language without formal language course credits may be exempt from the six-credit language requirement, but will be required to take 15 credits from the list of electives below. Proficiency in an Asian language is demonstrated via one of the standards outlined in the College of Arts and Sciences Policy for Proof of Foreign Language Proficiency. Other Asian languages may be substituted.

**Chinese**
- CHIN 1010 Communicating In Chinese I
- CHIN 1020 Communicating In Chinese II
- CHIN 2010 Intermediate Chinese I
- CHIN 2020 Intermediate Chinese II
- CHIN 3010 Oral and Written Proficiency in Chinese I
- CHIN 3020 Oral and Written Proficiency in Chinese II
- CHIN 3250 Cultural Comparison: China – U.S.

**Elective Courses**
Select three of the following elective courses. At least one elective must be at the 3000 or 4000 level. Students must take courses from at least two of the following three attributes.

**Asia in Comparison**
- ENGL 3500 Literature of the Postcolonial World
- ENGL 4670 Contemporary Postcolonial Literature and Culture
- HIST 4902 Seminar in World History
- POLS 2560 The Politics of Asia
- THEO 2520 Comparative Religious Ethics
- THEO 2710 Religions of the World
- THEO 3710 Arts of Hinduism and Buddhism

**China**
- IB 3040 Asian Business

**East Asia**
- HIST 1700 China and Japan To 1600: Histories, Cultures, Identities
- HIST 1710 China and Japan Since 1600

**Continuation Standards**
All Asian studies minor courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher to count for the minor and for the student to continue in the minor.