

ASIAN STUDIES MINOR

Coordinator

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Following geographic convention, "Asia" encompasses four cultural areas: Japan; China and its neighbors (Mongolia, Taiwan, the Koreas); insular and mainland Southeast Asia; and the Indian subcontinent, including Pakistan, Bangladesh, and the Himalayan "kingdoms."

Minor Requirements

For a minor in Asian Studies: 27-29 credits and one semester of study abroad. Specific requirements include six credits abroad in courses dealing with the history, culture, ecology, and/or politics of the country or region (satisfied by GLJP 306 and GLJP 307 for students who undertake Linfield's program in Japan); successful study of an Asian language through the second semester of the intermediate level; two or more courses totaling 6-8 credits in Asian studies beyond those taken while abroad, selected from a list maintained by the faculty coordinators; and GLOBAL ISSUES FORUM (IDST 090) in which the student is responsible for locating the focal area within a larger regional and global context. Where language work is not available in the study abroad program or on campus, an appropriate literature-in-translation or area studies course may, with approval of the program committee, be substituted for some but not all of the language requirement.