Asian American Studies is an interdisciplinary field of study that focuses on the histories, experiences, and cultures of people of Asian and Pacific Islander descent living in the United States. It seeks to broaden students' understanding of the diversity and complexity of Asian American identities and communities; to provide comparative and intersectional approaches to race, migration, ethnicity, class, gender, sexuality, and citizenship; and to encourage linking educational and research initiatives to community and political concerns.

The minor in Asian American Studies requires 12 credit hours of course work. Three courses (9 credit hours) must be taken in Asian American Studies. The remaining three credits may be fulfilled by taking: a) an additional Asian American Studies course; b) an elective in Asian studies; or c) an elective in U.S. race/ethnicity studies. Note that language courses (i.e., Chinese 1101) may not count toward the elective.

No more than six hours of 2000-level course work may count toward the minor. Up to six credit hours may overlap between the minor and the General Education (GE).

To enroll in the minor, schedule an appointment with the coordinating adviser, complete the minor program form, then file the form with your college or school counselor.

Asian American Studies courses
- African American and African Studies 4921
- Comparative Studies 2321, 4903, 4921
- East Asian Languages and Literatures 3446
- English 4587
- History 2079
- Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 4401, 4921

Elective
The elective in either Asian studies or U.S. race/ethnicity studies will be approved by the coordinating adviser in consultation with the student on a case-by-case basis.

Asian Studies electives (examples)
- Anthropology 3417
- Chinese 2231, 2232, 2451, 4402, 4403, 4404, 4405, 4406, 5400
- East Asian Languages and Literatures 3223
- History 2392, 2393, 2401, 3375, 3376, 3403, 3404, 3405, 3410, 3411, 3425, 3426, 3580, 3715
- History of Art 2003, 3605, 3605H, 4001, 4810, 4815, 4820, 4825, 5002, 5711, 5724, 5812, 5815, 5816
- International Studies 2050, 4539
- Japanese 2231, 2451, 2452, 4400, 4401, 5400, 5454, 5455
- Korean 2231, 2451, 5256, 5400, 5405, 5455
- Philosophy 2120
- Political Science 4230, 4236
- Religious Studies 3673

U.S. race/ethnicity electives (examples)
- Anthropology 3417
- Chinese 2231, 2232, 2451, 4402, 4403, 4404, 4405, 4406, 5400
- East Asian Languages and Literatures 3223
- History 2392, 2393, 2401, 3375, 3376, 3403, 3404, 3405, 3410, 3411, 3425, 3426, 3580, 3715
- History of Art 2003, 3605, 3605H, 4001, 4810, 4815, 4820, 4825, 5002, 5711, 5724, 5812, 5815, 5816
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- Philosophy 2120
- Political Science 4230, 4236
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Asian American Studies minor program guidelines

Required for graduation
- No

Credit hours required
- A minimum of 12. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credits must be at the 3000 level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed
- A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE
- A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)
- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required
- Minimum C- for a course to be counted on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for all minor course work
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits
- No more than 3 credit hours.

Approval required
- The minor program form must be approved by the coordinating adviser.

Filing the minor program form
- The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.
Changing the minor. Once the minor program form is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the coordinating adviser.