

**The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences**

**South Asia Studies Minor (SASIAST-MN)**

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures  
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South Asia is an area rich in culture and history and is now increasingly important on the global scene. The minor addresses the following:

1. the history, society and cultures associated with the South Asia region
2. the religions associated with the South Asia region and their impact on the peoples living there
3. the arts and literatures associated with the South Asia region

The undergraduate minor in South Asia Studies requires completion of a minimum of 15 credit hours. Students are required to take NELC or Comp Stds 2220: Introduction to South Asia. In addition, students must take coursework from at least two academic units. Language coursework is strongly encouraged. Students completing course work in Hindi, Urdu, Persian or Tibetan at the 2000 level or above may count 3 hours of the language toward the minor.

**Required Course: (3 Credit Hours)**

NELC 2220 or Comp Stds Introduction to South Asia

**Courses: (Complete 12 credit hours, including at least 6 hours at the 3000-level or above)**

History 2390 Ancient India (3)  
History 2391 Islamic India (3)  
History 2392 Colonial India (3)  
History 2393 Contemporary India and South Asia (3)  
History 3365 History of Afghanistan (3)  
History 4390 Readings in South Asian History (3)  
History 4395 Research Seminar in South Asian History (3)  
History of Art 2003 The Art and Visual Culture of East Asia (3)  
History of Art 5711 Art of India I (3)  
History of Art 5712 Art of India II (3)  
History of Art 5724 The Buddhist Art of Gandhara and Kashmir (3)  
NELC or Comp Stds 3620 Everyday Life in South Asia (3)  
NELC 5241 Interdisciplinary Approaches to South Asian Studies (3)  
Rel Stds 2370 Introduction to Comparative Religion (3)  
Rel Stds 3671 Religions of India (3)  
Rel Stds 3673 The Buddhist Tradition (3)  
Political Science 4232 Contemporary Politics of South Asia (3)  
Sanskrit 5902 Elementary Sanskrit (3)  
Sanskrit 5903 Intermediate Sanskrit (1-3)  
Sanskrit 5904 Vedic Sanskrit (1-3)

**Special Topics Courses:**

Students may petition to use courses such as, but not limited to, the following when the content is relevant. Check with advising as to the appropriateness. Students may petition to have courses approved that are not listed on this sheet.

Comp Stds 2105 Literature and Ethnicity (3)  
Comp Stds 2321 Intro to Asian American Studies (3)  
Comp Stds or Int Stds 3661 The City and Culture (3)  
Comp Stds 5691 Topics in Comp Studies (3)

English 4564.04 Major Author in 20<sup>th</sup>-Century Literature in English (3)  
English 4581 Special Topics in U.S. Ethnic Literatures (3)  
English 4583 Special Topics in World Literature in English (3)  
English 4587 or Comp Stds 4803 Studies in Asian American Literature and Culture (3)  
Philosophy 2120 Asian Philosophies (3)  
Rel Stds 2102.01 Literature and Religion (3)  
WGSST 2296H Topics in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (3)

**South Asia Studies minor program guidelines**

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the minimum. At least 6 credit hours must be upper-level courses as defined by the College of Arts and Sciences.

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 listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Approval required The minor course work must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

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 is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

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