

Asian Studies, B.A.

Program Description

The Asian Studies program at Kennesaw State explores diverse topics and themes on linguistic, literary, cultural, philosophic-religious, aesthetic, social, institutional-political, educational and other related spheres of Asian people and civilization. The program also endeavors to explain the complex interactions among them in terms of both tradition and transformation. Some emphasis is placed not only on the cultural diversity, unity and achievements of Asian countries but also on the comparative and interdisciplinary ways of promoting a broader and deeper understanding of the East. This enterprise may shed new light on Western civilizations, histories, traditions, cultures and modern changes.



This program is a part of the Norman J. Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Admission, Enrollment, and Graduation Policies

Admission Requirements

This program does not have specific admission requirements and only admission to Kennesaw State University is required. For more information, please visit the Admissions section of the catalog.

Graduation Requirements

Each student is expected to meet the requirements outlined in Academic Policies 5.0 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & GRADUATION.

Program Course Requirements

Core IMPACTS Curriculum (42 Credit Hours)

General Education Core IMPACTS Curriculum

Core Field of Study (18 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a "C" or better in these courses.

Required Courses (3 Credit Hours)

- ASIA 1102: Introduction to Asian Cultures

Elective Courses (6 Credit Hours)

Select 6 credit hours from the following list of courses:

- ANTH 1102: Introduction to Anthropology
- ECON 2106: Principles of Microeconomics
- ENGL 2110: World Literature
- GWST 2050: Global Perspectives on Gender
- ICT 2101: Information and Communications Technology
- PHIL 2110: Religions of the World
- POLS 2240: Introduction to Comparative Politics
- POLS 2250: Introduction to International Relations
- BLAW 2200: Legal and Ethical Environment of Business

Lower-Division Asian Language Courses (9 Credit Hours)

Select 9 credit hours in the same language from the following list of courses:

- CHIN 1002: Elementary Chinese II
- CHIN 2001: Intermediate Chinese I
- CHIN 2002: Intermediate Chinese II
- OR
- JAPN 1002: Elementary Japanese II
- JAPN 2001: Intermediate Japanese I
- JAPN 2002: Intermediate Japanese II
- OR
- KOR 1002: Elementary Korean II
- KOR 2001: Intermediate Korean Language and Culture I
- KOR 2002: Intermediate Korean Language and Culture II

Major Requirements (18 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a "C" or better in these courses.

Required Courses (3 Credit Hours)

- ASIA 3001: Understanding Asia

Research Methods (3 Credit Hours)

Select 3 credit hours from the following list of courses:

- ISD 3100: Interdisciplinary Studies Research Methods
- HIST 3100: Historical Methods

Upper-Division Asian Language Courses (12 Credit Hours)

Select 12 credit hours in the chosen language from the Lower-Division Asian Language Courses language from the following list of courses:

- CHIN 3200: Critical Reading and Applied Writing
- CHIN 3302: Practical Conversation
- CHIN 3303: Grammar and Composition
- CHIN 3304: Readings in Culture I
- Or
- JAPN 3200: Critical Reading and Applied Writing
- JAPN 3302: Practical Conversation
- JAPN 3303: Grammar and Composition
- JAPN 3304: Readings in Culture I
- Or
- KOR 3200: Critical Reading and Applied Writing
- KOR 3302: Practical Conversation
- KOR 3303: Grammar and Composition
- KOR 3304: Readings in Culture I

Major Electives (21 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a "C" or better in these courses.

Upper-Division Elective Courses (12 Credit Hours)

Select 12 credit hours from the following list of courses:

- ANTH 3355: Capitalisms and Cultures in Asia
- ASIA 3030: K-pop and the Korean Wave
- ASIA 3306: Understanding China through Films
- ASIA 3309: Survey of Chinese Literature and Culture
- ASIA 3333: Queer Asia
- ASIA 3340: Contemporary South Asian Literature
- ASIA 3398: Asian Studies Internship
- ASIA 3500: Culture & Society of Postwar Japan
- ASIA 3760: Asian American Cultural Identities
- ASIA 3780: Trends in Asian Studies

- ASIA 4001: Teaching English in Asia
- ASIA 4400: Directed Study
- ASIA 4422: Archaeology of Asia
- ASIA 4425: Asian Women and Literature
- ASIA 4490: Special Topics for Asian Studies
- ASIA 4517: Tea Cultures in Asia
- HIST 3372: Ancient to Pre-Modern China
- HIST 3373: Modern India and South Asia
- HIST 3374: Modern China
- HIST 3375: Silk Road
- HIST 3380: Premodern Japan
- HIST 3381: Modern Japan
- MGT 3100: Management and Behavioral Sciences
- MKTG 3100: Principles of Marketing
- ORGC 3325: Intercultural Communication
- ISD 3398: Interdisciplinary Studies Internship
- SA 4490: Upper-division Study Abroad
- SOCI 4435: Sociology of South Asia

Any additional Asian focused course in this area approved by the faculty advisor

Related Studies (9 Credit Hours)

Select 9 credit hours of 3000-4000 level coursework from the following prefixes: ARH, ART, ASIA, CHIN, FLED, GWST, HIST, ISD, JAPN, KOR, LING, MGT, MKTG, ORGC, PHIL, POLS, PSYC.

University Electives (21 Credit Hours)

In accordance with KSU Graduation Policy, students must earn a grade of "D" or better in these courses while maintaining a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.

Free Electives (21 Credit Hours)

Select 21 credit hours of 1000-4000 level coursework from the University Catalog.

Program Total (120 Credit Hours)