# Asian American Studies Minor

## **Program Requirements**

• Total units required: 18, at least 12 of which must be at the 300 level or above

## **Required Courses**

- 3 credits of Introductory course work
- 3 credits of Asian American Focus course work
- 6 credits of Multiethnic and Transnational course work
- 6 credits of Context course work

## Introductory Courses

Students must complete one course that counts as an introduction to Asian American Studies (3 credits, any level). Course offerings vary every semester, but examples include the following:

Code	Title	Units
AAS 135	First Year Seminar: Chinatown: Migration, Identity and Space	3
AAS 163	Freedom, Citizenship and the Making of American Life	3
AAS 206	"Reading" Culture: The Visible and Invisible: Introduction to American Visual Culture	3
AAS 250	Topics in Asian American Studies: Introduction to Asian American & Pacific Islander Studies	3

## Asian American Focus Courses

Students must complete one course that counts as an Asian American Focus (3 credits, any level). Course offerings vary every semester, but examples include the following:

Code	Title	Units
AAS 200	Doctors and Terrorists: The Fictions of South Asian America	3
AAS 308	Topics in Asian American Literature: Gender and Sexuality in American Asian Lit	3
AAS 313	Topics in Literature: Asian American Writing: Contesting American Constructions of the Alien Other	3
AAS 3512	"Model Minority": The Asian American Experience	3

### Multiethnic and Transnational Courses

Students must complete two courses (6 total credits, any level) that count in each section listed below. Course offerings vary every semester, but examples include the following:

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#### 1. Asian Americans in a Multiethnic/Multiracial Perspective

Code	Title	Units
AAS 2500	Sophomore Seminar: American Dreams, American Nightmares: U.S. Ethnic Literature of Post-War Disillusionment	3
AAS 3250	The Real and Fake: Identity, Conflicts, and Racial Formation in Asian American Literatures	3
AAS 4036	Children of Immigrants: Identity and Acculturation	3
AAS 4621	Topics in Literature: Queer Youth: LGBTQ Narratives of Coming-of-Age and Coming Out in North America	3

#### 2. Global Asia and Asian Diasporas in a Transnational Perspective

Code	Title	Units
AAS 144	FYS: Collecting Art/Excluding People: The Contradictions of Chinese Art in U.S. Museums	3
AAS 2157	First-Year Seminar: The Meaning of Pakistan: History, Culture, Art	3
AAS 336	Topics in American Culture Studies: Is Colonialism Over? Global Power and Resistance	3
AAS 3650	Topics in Modern Korean Literature: The Korean Wave: Reading Korea through Popular Culture and Media	3
AAS 39SC	Imperialism and Sexuality: India, South Asia and the World: Writing-Intensive Seminar	3
AAS 449	Writing from the Periphery: The Question of Chineseness	3

### **Context Courses**

Students must complete two courses (6 total credits, any level) that count in each section listed below. Course offerings vary every semester, but examples include the following:

#### 1. Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity

Code	Title	Units
AAS 2010	The Roots of Ferguson: Understanding Racial Inequality in the Contemporary U.S.	3
AAS 2110	Social Inequality in America	3
AAS 3031	Race and Ethnicity in American Politics	3
AAS 4289	Neighborhoods, Schools and Social Inequality	3

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Code	Title	Units
AAS 111	Introduction to Asian Art	3
AAS 270A	Sophomore Seminar: Globalization and Its Discontents	3
AAS 327	Anime and Manga	3
AAS 333	The Modern Voice in Japanese Literature	3
AAS 3426	Modern and Contemporary Chinese Art	3
AAS 350	U.SChina Relations from 1949 to the Present	3
AAS 355	Topics in Korean Literature and Culture: Buddhist Culture of Korea	3
AAS 444	The Forbidden City	3

# **Additional Information**

- Courses vary by semester and all minors must meet with their AAS minor advisor to determine which courses meet the requirements. See the requirements listed on this page with examples of courses for each requirement area.
- All advanced units must be unique to the Asian American Studies minor (i.e., not counted toward any other major or minor).
- All courses counting toward the Asian American Studies minor must be taken for a letter grade, and students must receive a grade of C- or higher.
- Students may use a study abroad course on any subject in Asian Studies to fulfill the Asian Studies category requirement. Such courses must be approved by the study abroad advisor for the Asian American Studies minor.
- Students may receive a maximum of 3 transfer credits from other universities toward the AAS minor (this includes Study Abroad credits).

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