Asian Studies

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Early Jesuit pioneers, like Francis Xavier and Mateo Ricci, were among the first Europeans to engage Asians in intellectual exchanges. Asian Studies at Marquette continues the long and rich tradition of Jesuit interest in Asia. The interdisciplinary minor in Asian Studies introduces students to the culture, history, politics, economics, geography, anthropology, sociology, philosophies and religions of Asia. This knowledge prepares students to meet the challenge of global careers that are increasingly focused on the developed and developing nations of this region.

**Asian Studies Minor**

The minor consists of 6 courses (18-20 credit hours): one required introductory History course (3 credit hours) and five courses (15-17 credit hours) to be chosen from the elective courses.

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Elective Courses: Choose five courses from the following. 15-17

- CMST 4410 Intercultural Communication
- CHNS 3200 Chinese Culture and Civilization
- CHNS 1001 Elementary Chinese 1 2
- CHNS 1002 Elementary Chinese 2 2
- CHNS 2001 Intermediate Chinese 1 2
- CHNS 2002 Intermediate Chinese 2 2
- CHNS 3210 Chinese Literature in English Translation
- CHNS 3300 Chinese Society: Speaking and Reading Skills
- CHNS 3700 Chinese Business Culture
- CHNS 4931 Topics in Chinese Language, Literature and Civilization
- HIST 3127 The Vietnam War Era
- HIST 4500 Modern Japan
- HIST 4525 Age of the Samurai
- HIST 4555 Modern China
- HIST 4931 Topics in History (depending on content and director's approval) 3
- HIST 4953 Readings in History (depending on content and director's approval) 3
- HIST 4550 Medieval East Asia
- HIST 4955 Undergraduate Seminar in History (depending on content and director's approval) 3
- PHIL 3380 Asian Philosophy
- POSC 4521 Chinese Politics
- POSC 4731 International Politics of Asia
- THEO 4510 Survey of World Religions
- THEO 4530 Islam: Faith and Practice
- THEO 4540 Hinduism, Yoga, and Buddhism

**Total Credit Hours** 18-20

1 Students are advised to choose a section of HIST 1701 Engaging the World focusing on East Asia. Please contact the director of the Asian Studies minor for assistance identifying such a section.

2 A maximum of two language courses (6-8 credit hours) may be counted toward the Asian Studies minor.

3 HIST 4931 Topics in History, HIST 4953 Readings in History and HIST 4955 Undergraduate Seminar in History may be chosen dependent on content and prior approval of the director of the Asian Studies minor.

**Note:**

- Any exceptions to the courses listed must have prior approval of the director of the Asian Studies minor to be counted toward the minor.