



**Individualized Degree
Program**

Asian Studies Minor

The Asian continent is home to the world's largest and most diverse population, as well as to some of the world's fastest growing economies. Students interested in becoming experts in any area of contemporary Asian societies can complete the Individualized Degree Program in Asian Studies.

Students can select courses from various disciplines including geography, environment, language, history, political economy, business, art, religion, health, or other facets of one or more Asian societies.

There is no specific language or study abroad requirement for the minor. However, students are strongly encouraged to integrate training in an Asian language and/or a study abroad experience into their degree plan.

Potential Career Tracks

Translator
Foreign Correspondent
International Sales
Foreign Student Advisor
Interpreter
Bilingual Editor
Customs Inspector
Journalist
Travel Agent
International Business
ESL Teacher
Immigration Agent
Embassy Personnel
Market Research
Study Abroad Coordinator
English Teacher Abroad
Importer/Exporter
Government Agent
Peace Corps Volunteer



IDP & Graduation Requirements:

- The minor requires a catalog Major
- This minor requires completion of an IDP proposal including a degree plan, a rationale essay, and an approval form.
- Students will develop an IDP proposal with the assistance of an IDP Specialist and an Asian Studies faculty member.

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RECOMMENDED COURSEWORK

Students must take 21 credits of coursework, including six upper-division (3000- or 4000- level) credits, focusing primarily on Asia and Asian peoples.

The following courses are offered at MSU Denver (3 credits, unless otherwise noted; some courses have pre-requisites)

ANT 3320 Anthropology of Japan
ANT 3330 Japan: Culture, Communication and Identity (study abroad; 3-6 credits)
ANT 39AA Gender and Family in East Asia
ARTH 3340 Asian Art
CJC 3820 The Korean Criminal Justice System (study abroad)
ENG 3721 Cinema of India (study abroad)
ENG 39AG Asian Cinema
HIS 1250 China and East Asia
HIS 1270 India and South Asia
HIS 3700 Modern China
HIS 3740 Modern Japan
HIS 3750 India and South Asia Since 1500
HIS 3770 World of Islam
HIS 3790 The United States and Vietnam
ITP 3400 Ayurveda
ITP 3500 Traditional Chinese Medicine
ITP 490B Integrative Healthcare in Bhopal, India (study abroad)
MUS 3834 Gamelan Ensemble (1 credit)
PHI 1040 Introduction to Eastern Religions
PHI 3410 Eastern Philosophy
SOC 1080 Love and Family in East Asia
SOC 365N Post-Communist Societies
SOC 390J Chinese Society
SOC 39AA China and Globalization

Asian language courses offered at MSU Denver:

CHI 1010 Elementary Chinese I (5 credits)
CHI 1020 Elementary Chinese II (5 credits)
JPS 1010 Elementary Japanese I (5 credits)
JPS 1020 Elementary Japanese II (5 credits)
JPS 2010 Intermediate Japanese I (5 credits)
JPS 2020 Intermediate Japanese II (5 credits)
JPS 2110 Conversational Japanese I
JPS 2120 Kanji I
JPS 3110 Conversational Japanese II
JPS 3120 Kanji II
JPS 3200 Japanese through Media Culture
JPS 3210 Advanced Japanese: Major Topics



MSU Denver offers instruction in other Asian languages (e.g., Korean, Hindi, Vietnamese, etc.) through the **Direct Independent Language Studies (DILS)** program: www.msudenver.edu/mdl/dils/

TOTAL credit hours for the minor: 21

For questions and to request more information. Please contact the Center for Individualized Learning, at 303-615-0525, or visit. <http://www.msudenver.edu/cil/>