The Minor in Asian Studies (ASIA) requires the satisfactory completion of a minimum of 18 semester hours with a minimum 2.0 GPA in all courses. Courses must be taken for a grade (not P/F). Courses must be distributed as below, including at least 6 credits in 3000-4000 level courses. Substitutions are allowed for up to 6 credits of independent studies (4974), special studies courses (1984, 2984, 3984, 4984), undergraduate research, Honors Colloquia, or other classes if the topic is appropriate, with prior approval of the Coordinator. No more than 50% of the coursework for the Minor may double-count for a History Major or Minor, Chinese Studies Minor, Religion and Culture Minor, or Japanese Studies Minor.

I. FOUNDATIONAL COURSES (3 credits; choose one of the following): 3 credits _______
HIST 1354 Conflict and Security in Modern East Asia
RLCL 1904 Religion and Culture in Asia
HIST/RLCL 2394 From Tofu to Tikka: Asian Food History

II. ELECTIVE CREDIT (12 hours. Choose four courses, from at least two of the following groups): 12 credits ______  ______  ______  ______

a. History
HIST 2355 History of China
HIST 2356 History of China
HIST 2364 History of Japan
HIST/RLCL 2374 Gods and Kings in Premodern India
HIST/RLCL 2384 Gandhi in the Making of Modern India
HIST 3254 The Vietnam War
HIST 3664 Revolutionary China
HIST 3674 Topics in Chinese History

b. Culture and Society
ART 3044 Art and Architecture of India
ART 3054 Islamic Art and Architecture
ART 3064 Arts of China and Japan
CHN 2734 Chinese Culture and Civilization
CHN 3474 Topics in Chinese Cinema
ART 3064 Arts of China and Japan
RLCL/SOC 2514 Asian American Experience
RLCL 2324 Islam
RLCL 3214 Religion and Culture in India
RLCL 3224 Religion and Culture in China and Japan
JPN 2744 Japanese Pop Culture


c. Language*
CHN 1105 and/or 1106 Elementary Chinese
CHN 2105 and/or 2106 Intermediate Chinese
CHN 3105 and/or 3106 Advanced Chinese
CHN 3514 Modern China through the Media
KOR 1105 and/or 1106 Elementary Korean
CHN 1105 and/or 1106 Elementary Japanese
CHN 2105 and/or 2106 Intermediate Japanese
CHN 3105 and/or 3106 Advanced Japanese
JPN 3125, JPN 3126 Japanese for Oral Proficiency
JPN 4104 Japanese Advanced Grammar


d. Social Sciences and Geography*
ECON 4144 Economics of China
PSCI 3574 Government and Politics of Japan
PSCI 3584 Government and Politics of Asia
GEOG 2784 Geography of Tea
GEOG 3254 Geography of East Asia

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III. CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE (3 credits, choose one of the following courses): 3 credits ______

3xxx Study abroad in Asia (options in AHRM, BUS, CHN, JPN, HIST, RLCL or other study abroad credits in Asia).

4974 Independent Studies
4994 Undergraduate Research

3XXX or 4XXX Topics class on subject related to Asian or Asian American Studies, with prior approval of coordinator.

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