

ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM

2026-27 catalog 4-year degree pathway

College of Arts and Humanities

Bachelor of Arts, Asian Studies

Sample only—your academic advisor will help you create an individualized plan. Students with more than one major should communicate with their advisor prior to enrollment. Upper-division (UD) electives should be selected in consultation with advisor and department faculty members.

Actual courses offered may be in different terms than the quarter listed in this sample plan.

	Fall Quarter	Winter Quarter	Spring Quarter
YEAR 1	UNIV 101 Transition to CWU (1)	*QR Option Quantitative Reasoning (5)	K1 Option Academic Writing II (5)
	*AWI Option Academic Writing I (5)	AST 102 Intro to Asian Studies (5)	Elective Explore/minor (5)
	Lang 151 JAPN, or KRN 151 (5)	Lang 152 JAPN, or KRN 152 (5)	Lang 153 JAPN, or KRN 153 (5)
	Elective Explore/minor (5)		
	Total Quarter Credits 16	Total Quarter Credits 15	Total Quarter Credits 15
YEAR 2	K2 Option Community, Culture, & Citizenship (5)	K3 Option Creative Expression (5)	K4 Option Global Dynamics (5) Recommend: WLC 311
	Elective Explore/minor (5)	Elective Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)
	AST Group Choose one from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	AST Group Choose one from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	AST Group Choose one from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)
	1-3, one from each category required	1-3, one from each category required	1-3, one from each category required
	Total Quarter Credits 14-15	Total Quarter Credits 14-15	Total Quarter Credits 15
YEAR 3	K5 Option Humanities (5)	K6 Option Individual & Society (5)	K7 Option Physical & Natural World (5)
	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)
	AST Group Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	UD AST Group 1-3 Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	UD AST Group 1-3 Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)
	1-3 Elective	Elective	Elective
	Total Quarter Credits 15	Total Quarter Credits 15	Total Quarter Credits 15
YEAR 4	K8 Option Science & Technology (5)	Elective Explore/minor (5)	Elective Explore/minor (4)
	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective Explore/minor (5)
	UD AST Group 1-3 Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	UD AST Group 1-3 Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)	UD AST Group 1-3 Choose elective from program approved Soc Sciences, Aesthetic Exp, or Humanities (3-5)
	Elective	Elective	AST 401 Asian Studies Capstone (3)
	Total Quarter Credits 15	Total Quarter Credits 15	Total Quarter Credits 16
Total Credits			180

***Assumes appropriate placement. If placement needs are different, your advisor will help you create a suitable first-year Math/Academic Writing sequence to set you up for success.**

K1, K2, etc = Knowledge Area (Gen Ed)

LD = Lower Division (100-200 level)

UD = Upper Division (300-400 level)

ASIAN STUDIES MAJOR, BA								
REQUIRED COURSE CREDITS: 23				Credits	Prerequisites	Fall 26	Winter 27	Spring 27
AST	102	Introduction to Asian Studies	5			✓	✓	
AST	401	Asian Studies Capstone	3			✓	✓	✓
Total			8					
FIRST-YEAR LANGUAGE: Select one language								
JAPN	151	First Year Japanese	5			✓		
JAPN	152	First Year Japanese	5	JAPN 151			✓	
JAPN	153	First Year Japanese	5	JAPN 152				✓
<i>or</i>								
KRN	151	Elementary Korean I	5			✓		
KRN	152	Elementary Korean II	5	KRN 151			✓	
KRN	153	Elementary Korean III	5	KRN 152				✓
Total			15					
DEPARTMENT-APPROVED ELECTIVES CREDITS: 39-42								
Choose 9 total courses, minimum one from each group.								
GROUP 1 (Social Sciences)								
ANTH	344	Cultures of Asia	4					
ANTH	345	Cultures of SE Asia & Oceania	4					✓
AST	310	Japan Today	3					
AST	333	Southeast Asia & Its Diasporas	5					
AST	348	Contemporary China	4					
AST	350	Korea Now	5					✓
AST	378	Islam and Asia	5					
GEOG	375	Geography of Asia	4				✓	
GROUP 2 (Aesthetic Experience)								
AST	301	Chin Lit in Trans	5					
ENG	333	Asian American Literature	5	AWII w/C- or >; Soph or above				
JAPN	251	Second Year Japanese	5			✓		
JAPN	252	Second Year Japanese	5	JAPN 251			✓	
JAPN	253	Second Year Japanese	5	JAPN 252				✓
JAPN	345	Tasting Japan	5					✓
KRN	251	Intermediate Korean I	5	KRN 153				
KRN	252	Intermediate Korean II	5	KRN 251				
KRN	253	Intermediate Korean III	5	KRN 252				
KRN	311	Korean Cinema & Visual Culture	5					
GROUP 3 (Humanities)								
HIST	380	Modern East Asia	5					
HIST	383	East Asian Civilization	5					
HIST	468	Modern Japanese History	5					✓
HIST	477	Vietnam: Rev in Full Circle	5			✓		
HIST	479	History of Korea	5				✓	
HIST	483	Modern China	5			✓		
HIST	485	Trauma History in East Asia	5					
PHIL	345	Philosophies of China & Japan	5				✓	
PHIL	346	Philosophies of India	5			✓		
RELS	301	The Daoist Tradition	5					
RELS	303	Buddhist Thought & Practice	5					
RELS	350	Korean Religion and Philosophy	5					
RELS	351	Religions of China & Japan	5					
Total			39-42					
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS			62-65					