Asian Studies

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COORDINATE MAJOR

The coordinate major in Asian studies consists of nine courses irrespective of whether the courses are three or four credits taken from the courses listed below. Students who do not satisfy the language proficiency with an Asian language must include within the nine courses at least two courses in an Asian language. Asian Studies credit may be earned in the semester abroad program at Kansai Gaidai University in Japan.

ASTA 318 Peoples of South Asia (3)

Mr. Marksbury. A survey of the peoples and cultures of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Sikkim, and Sri Lanka. Emphasis is placed upon the social organization and cultural history of the diverse peoples who have inhabited the Indian Triangle.

ASTA 391, 392 Special Offerings in Asian Studies (3, 3)

Staff. Courses offered by visiting professors.

ASTA H491, H492 Independent Studies (3, 3)

ASTA H499-H500 Honors Thesis (3, 4)

CHINESE

ASTC 101 Beginning Chinese I (4)

Staff. Designed for students to acquire a knowledge of the fundamentals of the Chinese language to be demonstrated in four areas of basic language skills: oral and listening comprehension, speaking, writing (Chinese characters), and some reading ability.

ASTC 102 Beginning Chinese II (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTC 101 or placement. A continuation of the objectives presented in Beginning Chinese I. Attention is given to practical and topics-oriented conversational skills, moods of speech, and complex level of syntax.

ASTC 203 Intermediate Chinese I (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTC 102 or passing proficiency test. An intensive study of conventional Chinese characters, additional grammar, and an exposure to simplified Chinese characters. Continued emphasis on reading, writing, listening, and speaking abilities.

ASTC 204 Intermediate Chinese II (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTC 203 or equivalent. A continuation of the objectives presented in Intermediate Chinese I. Attention is given to improvement of the student's ability to read and write in modern Chinese.

JAPANESE

ASTJ 101 Beginning Japanese I (4)

Staff. Emphasizes conversational Japanese based on Romaji text. Includes study of basic grammar and introduction of hiragana, and katakana.

ASTJ 102 Beginning Japanese II (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTJ 101 or equivalent. Emphasizes conversational Japanese based on text in hiragana, katakana, kanji. Includes study of complex grammar and introduction of approximately 100 kanji.

ASTJ 203 Intermediate Japanese I (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTJ 102 or equivalent. Conversation, reading, and writing based on text in hiragana, katakana and kanji. Continuation of study of complex grammar and introduction of approximately 100 additional kanji.

ASTJ 204 Intermediate Japanese II (4)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTJ 203 or equivalent. Conversation, reading, and writing based on text in hiragana, katakana, and kanji. Continuation of study of complex grammar and introduction of approximately 150 additional kanji.

VIETNAMESE

ASTV 101 Beginning Vietnamese I (3)

Staff. The study of grammar, vocabulary, phonetics, and diacritical marks necessary to read, write, and speak the Vietnamese language.

ASTV 102 Beginning Vietnamese II (3)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTV 101 or equivalent. A continuation of the study of grammar, vocabulary, phonetics, and diacritical marks begun in ASTV 101.

ASTV 201 Intermediate Vietnamese I (3)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTV 102 or placement. An intensive grammar review with readings from Vietnamese texts and a development of conversational skills.

ASTV 203 Intermediate Vietnamese II (3)

Staff. Prerequisite: ASTV 203 or placement. A continuation of the objectives presented in Intermediate Vietnamese I. Attention to speaking, reading, and writing. Drills and daily dialogues. Students will become acquainted with the geography, economy, literature, history, and culture of Vietnam.

COURSES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Anthropology

ANTH 307, 607 Contemporary Chinese Society

ANTH 308, 608 East Asia

ANTH 316 Peoples of the Pacific

Economics

ECON 372 Contemporary Japanese Economy

ECON 374 Asia-Pacific Economic Development

Philosophy

PHIL 350 Buddhism

Political Science

POLC 338 Asian Governments

POLT 487 Asian Political Thought

Sociology

SOCI 146 Asian American Communities