Twin Cities Campus

Asian American Studies Minor

Global Studies Department

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Undergraduate free-standing minor
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2022
- Required credits in this minor: 15

The minor focuses on the history, politics, and culture of Americans of Asian descent. Courses explore the diversity of Asian American communities, and the history and present conditions of racial formation in the United States and other parts of the Americas. The minor draws from courses in a number of disciplines and academic approaches and encourages social awareness, critical thinking, the development of new perspectives, and artistic appreciation. Courses included in the minor allow students to develop their knowledge of Asian American issues in many different contexts. Some courses emphasize an in-depth study of Asian American history, literature and culture, social issues, politics, and psychology. Others include significant attention to Asian American Studies topics in the course of broader discussions.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Minor Requirements

Students interested in the minor should make an appointment with the Asian American Studies director (778 Social Sciences Building, 612-625-4813, aast@umn.edu).

Students may request credit towards the minor for other courses with Asian American Studies content by submitting a course syllabus and proof of completion to the Asian American Studies director.

A given course may only count towards one minor requirement.

Students may combine the Asian American Studies Minor with any other major or minor.

Core Course

Take 1 or more course(s) totaling 3 or more credit(s) from the following:

- AAS 3271 - Learning in the Asian American Community (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3601W - War and Empire: Asian American Perspectives [GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3001 - Contemporary Perspectives on Asian America [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or AMST 3001 - Contemporary Perspectives on Asian America [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3301 - Asian America Through Arts and Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 3301 - Asian America through Arts and Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3311 - Asian American Theater (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3341 - Asian American Images [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or COMM 3341 - Asian American Images [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3351 - Asian Americans and Popular Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or COMM 3351 - Asian Americans and Popular Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3361 - Asian Americans and Food (3.0 cr)
  or AMST 3361 - Asian Americans and Food (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3409W - Asian American Women's Cultural Production [AH, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or GWSS 3409W - Asian American Women's Cultural Production [AH, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3503 - Asian American Identities, Families, & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3503 - Asian American Identities, Families & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3503H - Honors: Asian American Identities, Families & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3877 - Asian American History, 1850 to Present [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3877 - Asian American History, 1850-Present [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 4311 - Asian American Literature and Drama [LITR, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 4311 - Asian American Literature and Drama [LITR, DSJ] (3.0 cr)

Elective Courses

Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:

- **Lower-Division**

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Take 0 - 1 course(s) totaling 0 - 3 credit(s) from the following:
- AAS 1101 - Imagining Asian America [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)

•Upper-Division

Take 9 - 12 credit(s) from the following:
- AAS 3271 - Learning in the Asian American Community (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3601W - War and Empire: Asian American Perspectives [GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3920 - Topics in Asian American Studies (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- AAS 3993 - Directed Studies in Asian American Studies (1.0 - 9.0 cr)
- AAS 5993 - Directed Readings (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- AMST 3113W - Global Minnesota: Diversity in the 21st Century [DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3001 - Contemporary Perspectives on Asian America [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or AMST 3001 - Contemporary Perspectives on Asian America [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3211W - Race & Racism in the U.S. [DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3211W - Race and Racism in the US [DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3251W - Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender [SOCS, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or AFRO 3251W - Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender [WI] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3251W - Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender [SOCS, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3301 - Asian America Through Arts and Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 3301 - Asian America through Arts and Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3303W - Writing Differences: Literature by U.S. Women of Color [LITR, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 3303W - Writing Differences: Literature by U.S. Women of Color [LITR, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or GWSS 3303W - Writing Differences: Literature by U.S. Women of Color [LITR, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or GWSS 4303W - Writing Differences: Literature by U.S. Women of Color [LITR, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3311 - Asian American Theater (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3341 - Asian American Images [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or COMM 3341 - Asian American Images [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3351 - Asian Americans and Popular Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or COMM 3351 - Asian Americans and Popular Culture [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3361 - Asian Americans and Food (3.0 cr)
  or AMST 3361 - Asian Americans and Food (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3409W - Asian American Women's Cultural Production [AH, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or GWSS 3409W - Asian American Women's Cultural Production [AH, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3483 - Hmong History Across the Globe (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3483 - Hmong History Across the Globe (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3486 - Hmong Refugees from the Secret War: Becoming Americans (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3486 - Hmong Refugees from the Secret War: Becoming Americans (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3503 - Asian American Identities, Families, & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3503 - Asian American Identities, Families & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or SOC 3503H - Honors: Asian American Identities, Families & Communities [SOCS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3862 - American Immigration History [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or CHIC 3862 - American Immigration History [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3862 - American Immigration History [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3875W - Comparative Race and Ethnicity in U.S. History [HIS, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3875W - Comparative Race and Ethnicity in US History [HIS, DSJ, WI] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 3877 - Asian American History, 1850 to Present [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or HIST 3877 - Asian American History, 1850-Present [HIS, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 4231 - Color of Public Policy: African Americans, American Indians, Asian Americans & Chicanos in the U.S. (3.0 cr)
  or AFRO 4231 - Color of Public Policy: African Americans, American Indians, Asian Americans & Chicanos in the U.S. (3.0 cr)
  or AMIN 4231 - Color of Public Policy: African Americans, American Indians, Asian Americans, & Chicanos in the U.S. (3.0 cr)
  or CHIC 4231 - Color of Public Policy: African Americans, American Indians, Asian Americans & Chicanos in the U.S. (3.0 cr)
- AAS 4232 - American Drama by Writers of Color (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 4232 - American Drama by Writers of Color [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
- AAS 4311 - Asian American Literature and Drama [LITR, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
  or ENGL 4311 - Asian American Literature and Drama [LITR, DSJ] (3.0 cr)

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