

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES, CERTIFICATE

The Asian American Studies Program is an interdisciplinary program that focuses on the scholarship and experiences of Americans, Pacific Islanders, and immigrants to the United States from Asian heritage groups. The program sheds light on Asian American experiences and concerns, both historically and in contemporary society. The certificate in Asian American Studies provides students with an opportunity to develop a sustained intellectual focus on Asian American racial formation, communities, and culture. The program also serves as a teaching and resource center not only for Asian Americans but for the University and Madison community as a whole.

Courses offered by the program and through other departments incorporate the perspective of a variety of disciplines: anthropology, communication arts, cultural studies, dance, education, English, ethnic studies, film, history, human development and family studies, journalism, literature, media, political science, popular culture, psychology, sociology, theatre, and visual arts. New course topics (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/asian_am/) are introduced each year. Examples of past topics include: Asian American History, Asian American Literature, Asian American Women Writers, Asian Americans in the Midwest, Hmong American Studies, Contemporary Legal Issues in Asian American Communities, Mixed Race Asian Americans, Asian American Cultural Politics, Southeast Asian Americans in US Schools, Asian American Dance, Asian Americans & Media, Afro-Asian Improvisational Dance, Psychology of Hmong Americans, and community-based research and service-learning courses.

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For more information or to declare the certificate, please contact the Asian American Studies Program at asianamerican@lets.wisc.edu.

REQUIREMENTS

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The Asian American Studies Certificate Program provides students with an opportunity to develop a sustained intellectual focus on Asian American racial formation, history, literature, culture, and social concerns. Interdisciplinary in nature, the certificate can be obtained by completing 12 credits of coursework.

Code	Title	Credits
ASIAN AM 101	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
ASIAN AM/ AFROAMER/ AMER IND/CHICLA/ FOLKLORE 102	Introduction to Comparative US Ethnic and American Indian Studies	3
ASIAN AM/ DANCE 121	Asian American Movement	3

ASIAN AM/ ENGL 150	Literature & Culture of Asian America	3
ASIAN AM 152	Asian American Literary and Popular Culture: Race, Fantasy, Futures	3
ASIAN AM/ HISTORY 160	Asian American History: Movement and Dislocation	3-4
ASIAN AM/ HISTORY 161	Asian American History: Settlement and National Belonging	3-4
ASIAN AM 170	Hmong American Experiences in the United States	3
ASIAN AM/SOC 220	Ethnic Movements in the United States	3-4
ASIAN AM 240	Topics in Asian American Studies	3
ASIAN AM/ASIAN/ HISTORY 246	Southeast Asian Refugees of the "Cold" War	4
ASIAN AM 250	Eating Asian America	3
ASIAN AM/ ENGL 270	A Survey of Asian American Literature	3
ASIAN AM/ AFROAMER/ DANCE/ FOLKLORE 319	Afro Asian Improv: From Hip Hop to Martial Arts Fusion	3
ASIAN AM/ COM ARTS 420	Asian Americans and Media	3
ASIAN AM 441	Hmong American Social Movements in the 20th and 21st Centuries	3
ASIAN AM/ ENGL 462	Topic in Asian American Literature	3
ASIAN AM/ENGL/ GEN&WS 463	Race and Sexuality in American Literature	3
ASIAN AM/ENGL/ GEN&WS 464	Asian American Women Writers	3
ASIAN AM/ ENGL 465	Asian American Poetry	3
ASIAN AM 540	Special Topics	3
ASIAN AM 560	Humanities Topics	3
ASIAN AM/ JOURN 662	Mass Media and Minorities	4
ASIAN AM 699	Independent Study: Directed Readings in Asian American Studies	1-4
HISTORY/ASIAN/ GEOG/POLI SCI/ SOC 244	Introduction to Southeast Asia: Vietnam to the Philippines	4

RESIDENCE & QUALITY OF WORK

- Minimum 2.000 GPA on all certificate courses
- 6 credits in the certificate, in residence

CERTIFICATE COMPLETION REQUIREMENT

This undergraduate certificate must be completed concurrently with the student's undergraduate degree. Students cannot delay degree completion to complete the certificate.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

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DECLARE OR CANCEL THIS CERTIFICATE

Please follow the process described on the Asian American Studies website (<https://asianamerican.wisc.edu/asian-am-studies-certificate/>).

Please contact the Asian American Studies Program at asianamerican@lets.wisc.edu to set up a career advising appointment.

SUCCESSWORKS

SuccessWorks (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/>) at the College of Letters & Science helps you turn the academic skills learned in your classes into a fulfilling life, guiding you every step of the way to securing jobs, internships, or admission to graduate school.

Through one-on-one career advising, events, and resources, you can explore career options, build valuable internship and research experience, and connect with supportive alumni and employers who open doors of opportunity.

- What you can do with your major (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/what-you-can-do-with-your-major/>) (Major Skills & Outcomes Sheets)
- Make a career advising appointment (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/>)
- Try “Jobs, Internships, & How to Get Them,” (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/canvas/>) an interactive guide in Canvas for enrolled UW–Madison students