

# SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES, CERTIFICATE

The Southeast Asian Studies certificate meets the needs of students choosing to focus on the Southeast Asia region—Brunei, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar/Burma, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam—but not wishing to commit to the more rigorous language and area studies courses required for the Asian Languages and Cultures major. Students select classes reflecting their interests offered through many university departments and can work toward a variety of undergraduate majors. The certificate is of value to students wishing to demonstrate their knowledge of the Southeast Asian region either to potential employers or to graduate schools.

Students interested in more specialized study of the languages and literature of East Asia, South Asia, or Southeast Asia can consider the Asian Languages and Cultures major (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/asian-languages-cultures/asian-languages-cultures-ba/>), the East Asian Studies certificate (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/institute-regional-international-studies/east-asian-studies-certificate/>), or the South Asian Studies certificate (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/institute-regional-international-studies/south-asian-studies-certificate/>).

Those interested in the study of languages and cultures of Central Asia can consider the Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies certificate (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/institute-regional-international-studies/russian-east-european-central-asian-studies-certificate/>).

## HOW TO GET IN

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Students interested in declaring the certificate in Southeast Asian studies should contact the program advisor.

Students declared in the Asian Languages and Cultures: Southeast Asian Studies BA/BS/MAJ are not eligible to declare the Southeast Asian Studies certificate.

## REQUIREMENTS

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Complete 15 credits, as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Language</b>		
Up to 6 credits of Language may count towards the certificate.		0-6
ASIALANG 223	Third Semester Filipino	
ASIALANG 224	Fourth Semester Filipino	
ASIALANG 225	Third Semester Hmong	
ASIALANG 226	Fourth Semester Hmong	
ASIALANG 227	Third Semester Indonesian	

ASIALANG 228	Fourth Semester Indonesian
ASIALANG 229	Third Semester Thai
ASIALANG 230	Fourth Semester Thai
ASIALANG 231	Third Semester Vietnamese
ASIALANG 232	Fourth Semester Vietnamese
ASIALANG 323	Fifth Semester Filipino
ASIALANG 324	Sixth Semester Filipino
ASIALANG 325	Fifth Semester Hmong
ASIALANG 326	Sixth Semester Hmong
ASIALANG 328	Sixth Semester Indonesian
ASIALANG 329	Fifth Semester Thai
ASIALANG 330	Sixth Semester Thai
ASIALANG 331	Fifth Semester Vietnamese
ASIALANG 332	Sixth Semester Vietnamese
ASIALANG 348	Fifth Semester Indonesian
ASIALANG 407	Third Semester Southeast Asian Language
ASIALANG 408	Fourth Semester Southeast Asian Language
ASIALANG 507	Fifth Semester Southeast Asian Language
ASIALANG 508	Sixth Semester Southeast Asian Language
ASIALANG 607	Seventh Semester Southeast Asian Language
ASIALANG 608	Eighth Semester Southeast Asian Language

### Core courses: 9-15

A A E/ INTL ST 373	Globalization, Poverty and Development
ANTHRO 322	The Origins of Civilization
ANTHRO 339	Archaeology of Warfare and Human Nature
ART HIST/ ASIAN 379	Cities of Asia
ASIAN AM 240	Topics in Asian American Studies
ASIALANG 475	Advanced Topics in Asian Translation
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 206	The Qur'an: Religious Scripture & Literature
ASIAN 403	Southeast Asian Literature
COM ARTS 310	Topics in Rhetoric and Communication Science
COM ARTS 470	Contemporary Political Discourse
GEOG/ASIAN/ HISTORY/ POLI SCI/ SOC 244	Introduction to Southeast Asia: Vietnam to the Philippines
GEOG 340	World Regions in Global Context
GEOG 358	Human Geography of Southeast Asia
GEOG/ ENVIR ST 557	Development and Environment in Southeast Asia
HISTORY/ASIAN/ ASIAN AM 246	Southeast Asian Refugees of the "Cold" War

HISTORY/ASIAN/ Introduction to Buddhism  
RELIG ST 308

HISTORY/  
ASIAN 319 The Vietnam Wars

HISTORY/  
INTL ST 375 The Cold War - From World War II to  
End of Soviet Empire

HISTORY/  
ASIAN 458 History of Southeast Asia Since  
1800

HISTORY 600 Advanced Seminar in History

INTL BUS 200 International Business

RELIG ST/  
ENVIR ST 270 The Environment: Religion & Ethics

RELIG ST/  
AFRICAN/  
ASIAN 370 Islam: Religion and Culture

**Total Credits**

**15**

## RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- Minimum 2.000 GPA on all certificate courses
- At least 8 certificate credits must be completed 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.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

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1. (Historical and Cultural Grounding) understanding the historical political and cultural forces and conditions that have given rise to the unity and diversity in the region today.
2. (Multi-disciplinarity) analyzing contemporary political, economic, and cultural realities in the region from at least two disciplinary perspectives, ideally including humanities, social sciences and sometimes natural science approaches.
3. (Depth of Knowledge) mastering at the undergraduate generalist level a particular facet of life in the region by taking courses on a particular sub-region or country or by studying a regional language or by taking at least two courses on the region in one discipline.

### ADVISING AND CAREERS

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All students interested in this certificate are encouraged to take HISTORY/ASIAN/GEOG/POLI SCI/SOC 244 Introduction to Southeast Asia: Vietnam to the Philippines.

Southeast Asian language courses (<https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/asialang/>) are taught in the academic year—Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Thai, and Vietnamese. These and Burmese, Khmer, and Lao can be taken

at UW–Madison's summer program, the Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute (<https://seassi.wisc.edu/>).

Students interested in the certificate in Southeast Asian Studies should contact the program advisor Michael Cullinane, [mmcullin@wisc.edu](mailto:mmcullin@wisc.edu).

## 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

### WISCONSIN EXPERIENCE

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As a regional center within the Institute for Regional and International Studies, we support and enhance international and global awareness in our student communities and inspire informed thinking about the complexities of our world. We encourage our students to connect to international networks and our regional communities through our program's lecture series, film screenings, and varied outreach events and activities. We encourage our students to study abroad, do international internships, learn foreign languages, and expect them to gain an interdisciplinary grounding in global and regional affairs. We provide resources and expertise on our world area to students and prospective students, and more broadly to K-12 teachers and students, postsecondary educators and graduate students, businesses, the media, the military, the community at large, and anyone else who wants it.

### RESOURCES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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Information about resources, scholarships, and funding through the Center for Southeast Asian Studies is available on our website (<https://seasia.wisc.edu/fellowships-and-financial-aid/>). We also encourage our students to explore funding options available through the Institute for Regional and International Studies (IRIS) Awards Office (<https://iris.wisc.edu/funding/>).