

## B.A. in ASIAN STUDIES—Comparative Asia

(32 credits required for graduation with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00)

**NOTE:** This guide is not meant to replace the degree audit; it is subject to change and represents actions approved by Faculty to date. Students are encouraged to run their degree audit at the end of each term of enrollment. Please refer often to the 2021-2022 *Online Catalog & Student Handbook* <http://catalog.berea.edu/en/current/catalog>, which will be updated with the most current information.

### GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

*No single transfer course can meet more than one General Education requirement.*

#### **Core Courses**

*(Developmental math courses may be waived on basis of test scores.)*

MAT 010 Pre-Algebra  
MAT 011 Elementary Algebra  
MAT 012 Elementary Algebra II

GSTR 110 Writing Seminar I: Critical Thinking in the Liberal Arts *(Transfer students may waive if College Composition was taken as a degree-seeking student at another college and earned a grade of B or higher.)*

GSTR 210 Writing Seminar II: Identity and Diversity in the U.S.

GSTR 310 Understandings of Christianity

GSTR 410 Seminar-Contemporary Global Issues

#### **Scientific Knowledge and Inquiry**

GSTR 332 Scientific Origins **OR**

Two (2) approved science courses, from two different disciplines, one of which must be an approved lab course. The following courses have been approved to meet this requirement: ANR 110, BIO 100, 101, 110, CHM 113, 131, PHY 111, 127, 221

#### **Wellness & Fitness**

WELL 101 Principles of Wellness I

WELL 102 Principles of Wellness II

Two (2) ¼-credit HHP activity courses *(HHP 200 will satisfy both the SWIM requirement and one of the activity course requirements)*

#### **Practical Reasoning (PR & PRQ)**

Two (2) courses, at least one firmly grounded in math or statistics (PRQ); the other can be an approved practical reasoning (PR) course or another PRQ course.

#### **Perspectives (Six areas required)**

One (1) course in **each** of the six areas is required.

Individual courses may be approved to satisfy more than one perspective, but no single course may satisfy more than two perspective areas.

- 1) Arts
- 2) Social Science
- 3) Western History
- 4) Religion
- 5) African American/Appalachian/Women
- 6) International (choose one option):

A) Two (2) courses in the same non-English language, one of which may be waived through testing; **OR**

B) Two (2) world culture courses, one of which must be grounded in a non-western culture

#### **Active Learning Experience**

An approved experience, taken for credit or non-credit (e.g. internships, undergraduate research experiences).

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

#### **Language Requirement**

Two semesters of CHI or JPN, or one semester of Asian language study in Asia, or departmental approval

#### **Introductory Course**

AST 100 Introduction to Asian Studies

#### **Methods Courses** (One course from the following)

AST/HIS 229 Modern Imperialism **OR**

AST/SOC/WGS 240 Kinship & Gender in SE Asia **OR**

AST/HIS 243 The Silk Road **OR**

PSC 250 International Relations

#### **Capstone Course**

AST 401 Senior Seminar in Asian Studies

#### **Three Comparative Asia-related Courses** (at least two at the 200-level or higher)

AST/ARH 130 Studies in World Art (when offered with Asian content)

AST 206 Intro to Asian Cinema

AST/HIS 229 Modern Imperialism

AST/SOC/WGS 240 Kinship & Gender in SE Asia

AST 243 The Silk Road

AST/ARH 249 Topics in Asian Art

AST/REL 260 Buddhism

AST/HIS 324A Seminar in Asian History

AST 325A Topics in Asian History

PSC 250 International Relations

#### **Two non-Comparative Asia-related courses**

AST/HIS 122 History of China

AST/HIS 123 History of Japan

AST 132 Religions of China

AST 135 Religions of Japan

AST 324C or 324J Seminar in Asian History

AST 325C or 325J Topics in Asian Studies

CHI 101 Introduction to Chinese I

CHI 102 Introduction to Chinese II

CHI 103 Introduction to Chinese III

CHI 210 Intermediate Chinese

JPN 101 Introduction to Japanese I

JPN 102 Introduction to Japanese II

JPN 103 Introduction to Japanese III

JPN 210 Intermediate Japanese

Two study abroad/transfer courses with department chair approval at the 100- or 200-level

*(In addition, HHP 248 and THR 213 may be taken as distribution courses when offered with Asian content.)*

#### **Electives**

20 credits outside the major

### ***Learning Goal 1. Broaden Understanding***

Learning Outcome 1.1: Develops an understanding of the geography of Asia.

Learning Outcome 1.2: Learns the foundational themes of Asian cultures in their historical and contemporary contexts.

### ***Learning Goal 2. Apply Knowledge and Skills***

Learning Outcome 2.1: Gains critical thinking skills to develop an informed perspective on Asia's place in world history and contemporary global relations.

Learning Outcome 2.2: Develops the skills to gather information, draw thoughtful conclusions from that information, and articulately communicate those conclusions according to the standards of professional academics.