

Asian Studies: Associate of Arts Degree

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| Faculty of Arts | kpu.ca/arts |
| Asian Studies | kpu.ca/arts/asian-studies |
| Implementation Date | 01-Sep-2011 |
| Start Date(s) | September January May |
| Admission Type | Open admission |
| Enrolment Type | Open enrolment |
| Program Type | Undergraduate |
| Credential Granted | Associate Degree |
| Offered At | Langley Richmond Surrey |
| Format | Full-time Part-time |
| How to Apply | www.kpu.ca/admission |

DESCRIPTION

The Associate Degree is designed to provide an educational experience that prepares students for work, citizenship and an enriched life as an educated person, and to lay a solid foundation for transfer into the BA Major/Minor in Asian Studies.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Associate of Arts Degree in Asian Studies will provide students with an introduction to the peoples and cultures of East and South Asia, as well as the connections between these regions and Canada. Over the course of this two year program students will develop skills and acquire knowledge that will help them in a variety of careers in areas such as the hospitality industry, tourism, business with an international focus, non-profit organizations, and policing.

PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

General university admission requirements apply to this program including the undergraduate-level English Proficiency Requirement.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Within the framework of the Associate of Arts Degree, students must complete at least 60 credits with a minimum grade of C in each course and meet the following requirements:

Thirty-six credits in Arts courses, which shall include the following:

Group A

At least nine credits from the following courses:

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| ANTH 3130 | Sikh Culture, Religion and Society | 3 credits |
| ASIA 2250 | South Asians Around the Globe | 3 credits |

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| ASIA 2252 | Indian Society through Popular Film | 3 credits |
| ASIA 2255 | Women in Modern India | 3 credits |
| GEOG 2185 | Regional Geography of East Asia | 3 credits |
| GEOG 2190 | Regional Geography of South Asia | 3 credits |
| GEOG 3210 | Geography of Cultures | 3 credits |
| POLI 2140 | Comparative Asian Politics | 3 credits |
| POLI 3146 | Government and Politics of India | 3 credits |
| POLI 3240 | Chinese Government and Politics | 3 credits |
| SOCI 3230 | International Migration and Ethnic Communities | 3 credits |

Group B

At least nine credits from the following courses:

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| ASIA 1111 | Religions of India (formerly HUMN 1111) | 3 credits |
| JAPN 1200 / CUST 1200 | Introduction to Contemporary Japanese Society and Culture | 3 credits |
| JAPN 3310 / CUST 3310 | Japanese Culture and Business | 3 credits |
| JAPN 3320 / CUST 3320 | Japanese Culture through Film | 3 credits |
| HIST 1150 | Introduction to East Asia | 3 credits |
| HIST 1151 | Introduction to Modern East Asia | 3 credits |
| HIST 1160 | Introduction to South Asia | 3 credits |
| HIST 2350 | Late Imperial China | 3 credits |
| HIST 3350 | China in the Twentieth Century: Reforms and Revolutions | 3 credits |
| HIST 3360 | British India: 1875-1947 | 3 credits |
| HIST 3361 | Indian Subcontinent since 1947 | 3 credits |
| HIST 3370 | Twentieth Century Japan | 3 credits |
| HIST 4450 | China and the West | 3 credits |
| HIST 4455 | Sages and Statecraft in China | 3 credits |
| HIST 4460 | Gandhi in History | 3 credits |
| HIST 4470 | Samurai | 3 credits |
| HIST 4480 | Vietnam War | 3 credits |
| PHIL 2115 | Asian Philosophy | 3 credits |

Group C

At least 6 credits in an Asian language.

This requirement can be satisfied by successful completion of at least 2 of the following courses or in the case of other Asian

languages by arrangements with the Asian Studies Degree Coordinator. Students with native fluency in an approved Asian Language may apply to the Asian Studies Degree Coordinator for a waiver. In the event that a waiver is granted, students must complete an additional 6 credits from the courses linked above in place of the 6 credit language requirement.

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| JAPN 1100 | Basic Japanese I | 3 credits |
| JAPN 1101 | Basic Japanese II | 3 credits |
| JAPN 2200 | Intermediate Japanese I | 3 credits |
| JAPN 2201 | Intermediate Japanese II | 3 credits |
| JAPN 3300 | Upper Intermediate Japanese I | 3 credits |
| JAPN 3301 | Upper Intermediate Japanese II | 3 credits |
| JAPN 4400 | Advanced Japanese I: Conversation | 3 credits |
| MAND 1100 | Beginner Mandarin I | 3 credits |
| MAND 1101 | Basic Mandarin II | 3 credits |
| MAND 2200 | Intermediate Mandarin I | 3 credits |
| MAND 2201 | Intermediate Mandarin II | 3 credits |
| MAND 3300 | Mandarin for Speakers of Other Chinese Dialects I | 3 credits |
| MAND 3301 | Mandarin for Speakers of Other Chinese Dialects II | 3 credits |
| MAND 3310 | Upper Intermediate Mandarin: Reading and Writing I | 3 credits |
| MAND 3311 | Upper Intermediate Mandarin: Reading and Writing II | 3 credits |
| PUNJ 1100 | Basic Punjabi I | 3 credits |
| PUNJ 1101 | Basic Punjabi II | 3 credits |
| PUNJ 2200 | Intermediate Punjabi I | 3 credits |
| PUNJ 2201 | Intermediate Punjabi II | 3 credits |
| PUNJ 3300 | Canadian Punjabi Literature | 3 credits |

Courses with a primary focus on Asian Studies content and/or issues but which are not included in this list may be considered as credits for the Associate of Arts in Asian Studies upon request for course substitution by students declared in the program. Students must consult with a Arts Degree Advisor or the Asian Studies Degree Coordinator to confirm eligibility.

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive an **Associate of Arts degree in Asian Studies**.