Asia Studies (South Asia), BA

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Explore the history of South Asia, from the Ganges River of India to the ancient cultures of Pakistan. Examination of transdisciplinary issues of the past gives you a clear understanding of current and future matters in South Asia, an understanding that complements any career you pursue.

Program Description

The BA program in Asia studies offers students the opportunity for in-depth study of East Asia, South Asia or Southeast Asia through a coherent curriculum of academic study across a number of disciplines.

The transdisciplinary approach provides students with a variety of intellectual tools to address contemporary political, social and cultural issues in Asia and enables them to apply valuable knowledge in various academic and practical settings.

The Asia studies degree program with a concentration on South Asia includes coursework covering Bangladesh, India, Pakistan and other South Asian states and societies.

In addition to the guidelines in the Concurrent Program Options section below, students interested in pursuing a concurrent degree or second baccalaureate in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are advised to visit The College's website for more information and requirements.

https://thecollege.asu.edu/concurrent-and-second-baccalaureate-degrees

At a Glance

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus or Online
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** Yes
**First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics

**Math Intensity:** General

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**Required Courses (Major Map)**

2022 - 2023 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

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**Concurrent Program Options**

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a “double major”) earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

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**Accelerated Program Options**

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

- Global Management (Creative Industries and Design Thinking), MGM
- Global Management (Digital Audience Strategy), MGM
- Global Management (Global Affairs), MGM
- Global Management (Global Business), MGM
- Global Management (Global Development and Innovation), MGM
- Global Management (Global Digital Transformation), MGM
- Global Management (Global Entrepreneurship), MGM
- Global Management (Global Health Care Delivery), MGM
- Global Management (Global Legal Studies), MGM
- Global Management (Integrated Health Care), MGM
- Global Management (Nonprofit Leadership and Management), MGM
- Global Management (Public Administration), MGM
- Global Management (Public Policy), MGM
- Global Management (Sustainability Solutions), MGM
- Global Management (Sustainable Tourism), MGM
- Global Management, MGM
Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[Freshman] | [Transfer] | [International] | [Readmission]

**Change of Major Requirements**

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) for information about how to change a major to this program.

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU™](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: [https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU](https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU).

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

Students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in the very cultures they are studying through study abroad programs, available throughout southern Asia. Students can deepen their understanding of South Asian history, religion and culture while enhancing their resumes with heightened cultural competency, adaptability, critical thinking and communication skills. [https://goglobal.asu.edu/](https://goglobal.asu.edu/)

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in Asia studies with a concentration in South Asia: [https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/shprs/asia-studies](https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/shprs/asia-studies).
Career Opportunities

People knowledgeable about Asia are required in virtually every arena in which the U.S. interacts with the rest of the world, including:

- communication and journalism
- diplomacy, trade, and international organizations
- food security
- higher education
- humanitarian service and philanthropy
- intelligence
- law and law enforcement
- military
- technology transfer
- transportation and tourism

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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