








# 2024 - 2025 Major Map



## Global Asia Studies, BA

School/College: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
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Term 1 0 - 14 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 HST 111: Introduction to Asia (GCSI OR HU & H & G) OR REL 111: Introduction to Asia (GCSI OR HU & H & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASU 101 or college-specific equivalent First-Year Seminar required of all first-year students.</li> <li><b>ASU Language Placement and Testing:</b> Only true beginners are eligible for 101-level second language courses. All other students are required to take a placement exam, regardless of prior credit earned, to verify the course level is appropriate. Students already proficient in a second language may take a proficiency exam.</li> <li>Credit hours for second language courses will vary depending on the language chosen.</li> <li>Students choosing one of the specialized tracks are strongly encouraged to study a language that is highly relevant to that particular country or region. See notes at bottom of the major map for guidance.</li> <li>Select your <b>Career Interest Communities</b> and play <b>me3@ASU</b>.</li> </ul>
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
LIA 101: Student Success in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	1		
MAT 142: College Mathematics (MATH OR MA)	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai or Vietnamese language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent). Students who are already proficient in one of these languages, or another language relevant to the study of Asia, such as Dutch, Tagalog or Urdu, may take a proficiency exam.	4	C	
Maintain 2.00 GPA in Major Courses.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		
Term 2 14 - 28 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select a course from the Across Asia list at the bottom of the major map.</li> <li>Except for courses marked "critical" or "necessary," the sequence of required and elective courses will vary with each student according to individual choices and the schedule of classes.</li> <li>Eligible students are encouraged to apply for a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) award. Awards include: academic year <b>FLAS Fellowship</b> and <b>summer FLAS Awards</b>.</li> <li>Join a <b>student club</b> or professional organization.</li> <li>If interested in law school, review the <b>Pre-Law at ASU</b> website.</li> </ul>
Across Asia Course	3	C	
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai or Vietnamese language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent). Students who are already proficient in one of these languages, or another language relevant to the study of Asia, such as Dutch, Tagalog or Urdu, may take a proficiency exam.	4	C	
 Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Maintain 2.00 GPA in Major Courses.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		
Term 3 28 - 45 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum	Notes

		Grade	
Global Asia Track Elective	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai or Vietnamese language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent). Students who are already proficient in one of these languages, or another language relevant to the study of Asia, such as Dutch, Tagalog or Urdu, may take a proficiency exam.	4	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)	3		
Social and Behavioral Sciences (SOBE)	3		
Elective	4		
 Complete First-Year Composition requirement.			
 Complete Mathematics (MATH) requirement.			
Maintain 2.00 GPA in Major Courses.			
Term hours subtotal:	17		

- See Global Asia Track Elective lists below. The six tracks are Asia in a Global World (intended for generalists who do not wish to focus on one particular country or region) and China, Japan, Korea, Southeast Asia, and South Asia (intended for those who wish to specialize). Students wishing to specialize should complete at least 12 credit hours from the chosen track.
- Credit hours for second language courses will vary depending on the language chosen. Students taking language courses worth 5 credits will not need as many elective hours.
- Choosing a Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB) course that also satisfies the Cultural Diversity (C) requirement is recommended.
- Some General Studies requirements can overlap with major courses, leaving more room for electives. Consult an academic advisor to select the best courses for your personal plan of study.
- Explore opportunities to [study abroad](#).

Term 4 45 - 59 Credit Hours  Critical course signified by	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
Across Asia Course	3	C	
Global Asia Track Elective	3	C	
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai or Vietnamese language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent). Students who are already proficient in one of these languages, or another language relevant to the study of Asia, such as Dutch, Tagalog or Urdu, may take a proficiency exam.	4	C	
 Maintain 2.00 GPA in Major Courses.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

- See the Across Asia Course list and Global Asia Track Elective lists at the bottom of the major map.
- Visit [Career and Professional Development Services](#) and [meet with a career advisor](#) for assistance with career planning and networking.
- If interested in law school, [make an appointment](#) with the pre-law advisor.

Term 5 59 - 74 Credit Hours  Necessary course signified by	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
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Complete 2 courses:

Upper Division Global Asia Track Elective

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C

Upper Division Across Asia Course

3

C

American Institutions (AMIT)

3

Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS)

3

Term hours subtotal: 15

- See the Across Asia Course list and Global Asia Track Elective lists at the bottom of the major map.
- Consider participating in an [Undergraduate Research Experience](#) through the School of Historical, Philosophical and Religious Studies or a research opportunity in the [Humanities Lab](#).

**Term 6 74 - 89 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by**



Hours

Minimum  
Grade

Notes



Complete 2 courses:

Upper Division Global Asia Track Elective

6

C

Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)

3

Sustainability (SUST)

3

Upper Division Elective OR  
HST 484: Internship

3

Term hours subtotal: 15

- See the Global Asia Track Elective lists at the bottom of the major map.
- Explore [graduate school](#) opportunities.
- If planning on law school, prepare to take the [LSAT](#).
- Participate in an [internship](#) to gain valuable career experience and contacts. For help exploring internship [opportunities related to your major](#), meet with an academic advisor.

**Term 7 89 - 104 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by**



Hours

Minimum  
Grade

Notes



Complete 3 courses:

Upper Division Global Asia Track Elective

9

C

Governance and Civic Engagement (CIV)

3

Upper Division Elective

3

Term hours subtotal: 15

- See the Global Asia Track Elective lists at the bottom of the major map.
- Use Handshake to research [employment opportunities](#).
- Attend [career fairs, workshops and related events](#) offered by Career and Professional Development Services.

**Term 8 104 - 120 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by**



Hours

Minimum  
Grade

Notes



HST 496: South, Southeast, and East Asia in the Global Matrix

3

C



Upper Division Global Asia Track Elective

3

C

Elective

1

Complete 3 courses:  
Upper Division Elective

9

Term hours subtotal: 16

- HST 496 is the required capstone course for the major and is only offered in spring terms.
- See the Global Asia Track Elective lists at the bottom of the major map.
- Take advantage of mock interview opportunities and assistance with writing [resumes and cover letters](#).
- Apply for [career opportunities](#).

- For the Global Asia Track Electives, students may choose any combination of courses from six different track lists, so long as at least 24 hours are upper-division. The six Asia tracks are: 1) China, 2) Japan, 3) Korea, 4) South Asia, 5) Southeast Asia, and 6) Asia in a Global World. Students who wish to specialize in a particular country or region are strongly encouraged to complete at least 12 credits from that track. The "Asia in a Global World" track is designed for students who wish to take a variety of courses from different regions without focusing on one particular country or region.
  - Students choosing one of the specialized tracks are strongly encouraged to study a language that is highly relevant to that particular country or region. The following languages are encouraged for each specialized track focus area:
    - China: Chinese, Portuguese, Japanese, Korean, Dutch (by proficiency exam)
    - Japan: Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese, Korean, Dutch (by proficiency exam)
    - Korea: Korean, Chinese, Portuguese, Japanese, Indonesian, Thai, Vietnamese
    - South Asia: Hindi, Arabic, Portuguese, French, Urdu (by proficiency exam), Dutch (by proficiency exam)
    - Southeast Asia: Indonesian, Thai, Vietnamese, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Dutch (by proficiency exam), Tagalog (by proficiency exam)

#### Hide Course List(s)/Track Group(s)

Across Asia
ARS 201: Art of Asia (GCSI OR HU & H & G)
CEL 494: Political Thought: Islam, Hinduism, Confucianism
GCU 326: Geography of Asia (SB & G)
HST 303: ASIA: Women in Asia
HST 303: Cold War Asia
HST 303: Democracy in Asia
HST 303: Empires in Asia
HST 303: Film and Politics in Colonial Asia
HST 303: WWII in Asia: Cultures of War
POS 468: Comparative Asian Foreign Policies (SB & G)
REL 345: Asian Religious Traditions (HU & G)
REL 350: Hinduism (GCSI OR (L or HU) & G)
REL 351: Buddhism (GCSI OR (L or HU) & G)
REL 363: Islam and World Affairs or AFR 373: Islam and World Affairs
REL 365: Islamic Civilization (HU & H) or HST 336: Islamic Civilization (HU & H)
REL 366: Islam in the Modern World (GCSI OR HU & G) or HST 339: Islam in the Modern World (GCSI OR HU & G)
REL 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G) or HST 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G)
REL 494: Rituals in History, Politics and Religion

Global Asia Track Electives - China
ARS 394: Modern and Contemporary Chinese Art
ARS 472: Art of China (HUAD OR HU)
ARS 475: Chinese Painting (HU)
CHI 120: Introduction to Chinese Culture (HUAD OR L or HU) or SLC 120: Introduction to Chinese Culture (HUAD OR L or HU)
CHI 307: Introduction to Literary Chinese I
CHI 308: Classical Chinese II
CHI 321: Power and Poetry: Classical Chinese Literature in Translation (HUAD OR HU)
CHI 322: Self, Society and the Drive for Modernity: Classical Chinese Literature in Translation
CHI 345: Chinese Film and Civilization
CHI 348: Pathways into Chinese Culture
CHI 394: Labor & the Environment in Chinese Writing
CHI 470: Modern Chinese Literature and Culture
DCE 116: T'ai Chi Chuan I
DCE 194: Intro to Chinese Classical Dance
DCE 216: T'ai Chi Ch'uan II
GCU 432: Geography of China
HST 303: ChinaJapan & East Asia in World History
HST 303: The Family in Modern China
HST 303: History of Modern China: From Taiping to Tiananmen
HST 303: Modern China: Personal Narratives and Histories

Global Asia Track Electives - Japan
ARS 394: Anime
ARS 473: Art of Japan (HUAD OR HU)
ENG 466: Studio Ghibli Films
HST 108: Introduction to Japan (SB & G & H)
HST 303: ChinaJapan & East Asia in World History
HST 303: Premodern Japan
HST 303: The Rise of Modern Japan
HST 303: WWII in Asia: Cultures of War
HST 387: Japan ((L or SB) & H)
HST 388: Japan (SB & G & H)
JPN 115: Japanese Popular Culture: Anime, Manga and Film (GCSI OR G) or SLC 115: Japanese Popular Culture: Anime, Manga and Film (GCSI OR G)
JPN 315: The Language of Japanese Popular Culture I: Gender and Onomatopoeia/Mimesis (G)
JPN 316: The Language of Japanese Popular Culture II: Honorifics and Dialects (G)
JPN 333: Japanese Civilization from the Ice Age to Last Thursday
JPN 354: Zen and Japanese Culture (HU & G) or REL 353: Zen and Japanese Culture (HU & G) or SLC 354: Zen and Japanese Culture (HU & G)
JPN 355: Religious Practice of People in Modern Japan (GCSI OR HU & G) or SLC 355: Religious Practice of People in Modern Japan (GCSI OR HU & G)
JPN 367: Religion, Philosophy and Culture in Japan (GCSI OR HU & G) or REL 367: Religion, Philosophy and Culture in Japan (GCSI OR HU & G) or

	<div> <div>HST 303: Modern China: Violence</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 383: China (SB &amp; H) or CHI 333: China (SB &amp; H) or SLC 333: China (SB &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 384: Modern China: 1700 to the Present (SB &amp; G &amp; H) or SLC 334: Modern China: 1700 to the Present (SB &amp; G &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 386: Interpreting China's Classics ((L or HU) &amp; H) or CHI 336: Interpreting China's Classics ((L or HU) &amp; H) or SLC 336: Interpreting China's Classics ((L or HU) &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 451: Chinese Cultural History I ((HU or SB) &amp; H) or CHI 451: Chinese Cultural History I ((HU or SB) &amp; H) or SLC 451: Chinese Cultural History I ((HU or SB) &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 452: Chinese Cultural History II (SB &amp; G &amp; H) or CHI 452: Chinese Cultural History II (SB &amp; G &amp; H) or SLC 452: Chinese Cultural History II (SB &amp; G &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>POS 452: China (SB &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 338: Daode Jing: Way to the West (L or HU) or CHI 338: Daode Jing: Way to the West (L or HU)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 343: Daoism (HUAD OR (L or HU) &amp; G &amp; H) or CHI 343: Daoism (HUAD OR (L or HU) &amp; G &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 346: Chinese Religions (GCSI OR HU &amp; G) or CHI 346: Chinese Religions (GCSI OR HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 396: Islam and Politics (HU &amp; G) or HST 396: Islam and Politics (HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>SLC 498: Chinese Flagship</div> <div></div> </div>	<div> <div>SLC 367: Religion, Philosophy and Culture in Japan (GCSI OR HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 370: Japanese Aesthetics: Art and Beauty in Japan or SLC 370: Japanese Aesthetics: Art and Beauty in Japan</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 394: Anime, Manga, and Religion in Japan or SLC 394: Anime, Manga, and Religion in Japan</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 401: Reading Modern Japanese Texts (GCSI OR G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 414: Introduction to Classical Japanese</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 415: Advanced Classical Japanese</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 424: The Art of the Ninja or SLC 424: The Art of the Ninja</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 430: Buddhist Meditation in East Asia (HU &amp; G) or SLC 430: Buddhist Meditation in East Asia (HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 445: Readings in Modern Japanese Letters and Culture</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>JPN 485: Japanese Literature and the Art of Translation</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 344: Religion and Values in Japanese Life (HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 355: Japanese Cities and Cultures to 1800 (HU)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>SLC 421: Japanese Literature in Translation</div> <div></div> </div>
<div>Global Asia Track Electives - Korea</div> <div></div> <div> <div>HST 303: Modern Korean History through Film</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 250: Korean Culture and Society (HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 321: Modern Korean Literature (HU) or SLC 321: Modern Korean Literature (HU)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 347: Korean Film and Literature (HUAD OR HU)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 350: Women of Korea (H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 375: Intercultural Communication in Korea (SB &amp; G) or SLC 375: Intercultural Communication in Korea (SB &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 415: Korean Popular Culture (HU &amp; G) or SLC 415: Korean Popular Culture (HU &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>KOR 420: Emotions Across Languages, Cultures and History (HU &amp; G) or SLC</div> <div></div> </div>	<div>Global Asia Track Electives - South Asia</div> <div></div> <div> <div>ARS 444: Films of India or FMS 426: Films of India</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>DCE 114: Dances of India I</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 245: Introduction to India and South Asia (HU &amp; H &amp; G) or POS 245: Introduction to India and South Asia (HU &amp; H &amp; G) or REL 245: Introduction to India and South Asia (HU &amp; H &amp; G) or SGS 245: Introduction to India and South Asia (HU &amp; H &amp; G) or SLC 245: Introduction to India and South Asia (HU &amp; H &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 392: Modern India</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 394: Pakistan, India, and Afghanistan: Peace Challenges</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>POS 357: South Asia Politics (SB &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>REL 347: Religions of India ((L or HU) &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div>	<div>Global Asia Track Electives - Southeast Asia</div> <div></div> <div> <div>ASB 325: Peoples of Southeast Asia</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>GCU 433: Geography of Southeast Asia</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) &amp; G) or GCU 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) &amp; G) or POS 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) &amp; G) or REL 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) &amp; G) or SGS 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) &amp; G)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 303: The Colonial World of Southeast Asia</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 303: Film and Politics in Colonial Asia</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 391: Modern Southeast Asia (SB &amp; G &amp; H) or SGS 381: Modern Southeast Asia (SB &amp; G &amp; H)</div> <div></div> </div> <div> <div>HST 456: The Vietnam War (HUAD OR</div> <div></div> </div>

420: Emotions Across Languages, Cultures and History (HU & G)	REL 350: Hinduism (GCSI OR (L or HU) & G)	SB & H)
KOR 457: Premodern Korea in a Global Context (HU) or SLC 457: Premodern Korea in a Global Context (HU)	REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia (L or HU)	MUP 489: Gamelan
REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU) or KOR 354: Religions of Korea (HU)	REL 394: Art & Religion in Jain Culture	POS 358: Southeast Asia (SB & G)
	REL 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G) or HST 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G)	POS 468: Comparative Asian Foreign Policies (SB & G)
		REL 348: Religion and Culture in Southeast Asia
		REL 352: Modern Buddhism
		REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia (L or HU)
		REL 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G) or HST 396: Islam and Politics (HU & G)
		SLC 494: Religions and Conflicts in Southeast Asia

Global Asia Track Electives: Asia in a Global World

This track includes all courses on the China, Japan, Korea, South Asia, and Southeast Asia track elective lists. Students in this track do not focus on a specific region and may select a broad combination of courses across the geographical region. At least 24 hours must be upper-division.

- **Total Hours:** 120
- **Upper Division Hours:** 45 minimum
- [University Undergraduate Graduation Requirements](#)

**Notes:**  
 Mathematics Placement Assessment score determines placement in first mathematics course.  
 Please keep in mind that the applicability of a specific transfer course toward an ASU degree program depends on the requirements of the department, division, college or school in which you are enrolled at ASU. Transfer agreements that guarantee the completion of university level requirements do not necessarily meet college and major requirements. Please consult with an advisor for more information.  
 At least 12 upper-division hours in the major must be in courses offered by The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2024 - 2025 academic year. Please refer to the course catalog for current General Studies designations at time of class registration. General Studies credit is applied according to the designation the course carries at the time the class is taken.