# **ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR**

#### Asian American Studies Program (AAST)

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In the Asian American Studies Program (AAST), students undertake an interdisciplinary and critical study of race, immigration, and political and social representation through examination of the experiences of Asian Americans. Students study the experiences of Asian Americans compared to and connected with other groups in the United States, as well as situated within a global and transnational context. Through this approach, students examine the histories, communities and cultures of Asian Americans as both distinctive and connected to the broader themes for diversity, ethnicity, race, gender, sexual orientation, and migration in the Americas. AAST offers a 15 credit-hour minor. For the minor, courses may be cross-listed in other departments and some may satisfy general education requirements.

## REQUIREMENTS

Course	Title	Credits	
AAST Foundational Course			
Select one of the following: 3			
AAST200/ AMST298C	Introduction to Asian American Studies		
AAST201/ HIST221	Asian American History		
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
Select 9 credits o	f additional AAST or other approved courses	9	
Two (2) must be	AAST electives		
and			
	a Comparative Marginalizations or Global/ ternational course (CM/GTI). <sup>1</sup>		
Of these three (3) division (300- or 4	) elective courses, at least two (2) must be upper- 400-level).		
AAST200	Introduction to Asian American Studies (if not taken for foundational course requirement)		
AAST201	Asian American History (if not taken for foundational course requirement)		
AAST222	Immigration and Ethnicity in the US		
AAST233	Introduction to Asian American Literature		
AAST262	Asian American Psychology		
AAST298	Special Topics in Asian American Studies (AAST298G Asian American Foodways)		
AAST298	Special Topics in Asian American Studies (AAST2980 South Asian American Experience)		
AAST351	Asian Americans and Media		
AAST355	Asian Americans in Film		
AAST363	Filipino American History and Biography		
AAST378	Experiential Learning		

Total Credits		
AAST499	Senior Thesis (Or one additional 400-level AAST course) $^{\rm 2}$	3
Upper Division C	ourses	
AAST498	Advanced Topics in Asian American Studies (AAST498Q Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Studies)	
AAST443	Asian American Politics	
AAST440	South Asian American Literature and Culture	
AAST424	Sociology of Race Relations	
AAST421	Asian American Public Policy	
AAST420	Asian American Women: The Social Construction of Gender	
AAST394	Growing Up Asian American: The Asian Immigrant Family and the Second Generation	
AAST388	Independent Research	

### **Total Credits**

Notes:

- · No more than 6 credits (2 courses) taken at the 100 or 200-level may count towards the minor.
- A minimum of 9 credits (3 courses) must be taken at the 300 or 400level.
- · All courses used for the minor must have a grade of C- or better.
- · A student may use a maximum of 6 credits (2 courses) to satisfy requirements for both a major and a minor. Courses completed for one minor may not be used to satisfy the requirements for another minor.
- See approved CM/GTI elective courses (https://docs.google.com/ spreadsheets/d/1iORXtiKinV1vVy38qxCe\_DJGjZY4xXtKkdXWGSf0oxQ/ edit/?usp=sharing) for the most current list of courses that fulfill the Comparative Marginalizations/Global/Transnational International elective requirement. Students may take a course not on this list with approval from the AAST Director.
- Restriction: Permission of the instructor or enrolled in AAST minor. This advanced colloquium in Asian American Studies is designed as a senior seminar. The course offers an intensive learning experience and students are required to complete a thesis, applied research project, or take part in and write about a sustained community experience.
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