Asian Languages and Cultures, Doctoral Minor

Requirements

Students in other departments who wish to minor in Asian languages and cultures must complete 12 credits above the 300 level with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 in the department. Such students are required to take one course in literature and one course in religion or philosophy. Any other courses to fulfill the minor requirement are selected in prior consultation with the student’s faculty advisor, who is designated as such by the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures and is authorized to sign the doctoral minor agreement form.

Courses cross-listed in a student’s major department and in Asian Languages and Cultures do not count toward the minor requirement. Elementary and intermediate language courses or “directed study” courses are not accepted toward the fulfillment of the minor requirement in languages and cultures of Asia.

People

Faculty

Asian Languages and Cultures is home to nearly twenty faculty whose research and teaching specialities range from traditional medicine in India, the Hinduist roots of yoga, or diversifying contemporary mindfulness practice with insights from Tibetan Buddhism, to human rights in Thailand - from Chinese ghost stories, traditional poetics and philology, to sociolinguistics and discourse analysis of the Mandarin, Japanese, Korean, Indonesian languages - and from analysis of classical Japanese tale fiction, early modern comedic narratives, manga, anime, and Japanese counterculture. Visit our faculty pages (https://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty) for more information on areas of expertise, current research, teaching and publications.

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