

SOUTH ASIAN STUDIES, CERTIFICATE

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Undergraduates interested in cross-disciplinary study of South Asia (generally defined as the countries of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and the Tibetan region) may earn a certificate in South Asian studies. The certificate can be a valuable addition to a major in anthropology, archeology, business, communications, economics, education, gender and women's studies, geography, history, international studies, journalism, languages and cultures of Asia, political science, zoology, and other departments. Completion of the certificate provides a concentration in the area through language and/or interdisciplinary training that provides enhanced career opportunities or increased preparation for graduate study.

The certificate in South Asian studies can be partially fulfilled through completion of a study abroad program in India administered by International Academic Programs (<http://www.studyabroad.wisc.edu>).

HOW TO GET IN

Students interested in declaring the undergraduate certificate should contact the Center for South Asia office or the undergraduate advisor.

Students declared in the Asian Languages and Cultures: South Asian Studies BA/BS/MAJ are not eligible to declare the South Asian Studies certificate.

REQUIREMENTS

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Complete 21 credits, distributed as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COURSE

Code	Title	Credits
One course from:		3-4
ASIAN 100	Gateway to Asia: Special Topics	
ASIAN 252	Contemporary Indian Society	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 274	Religion in South Asia	
HISTORY 142	History of South Asia to the Present	
LITTRANS 211		

AREA COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
9 credits from:		9
ANTHRO 102	Archaeology and the Prehistoric World	
ART HIST 305	History of Islamic Art and Architecture	
ART HIST/ ASIAN 379	Cities of Asia	

ART HIST/ ASIAN 428	Visual Cultures of India
ART HIST/ ASIAN 621	Mapping, Making, and Representing Colonial Spaces
ASIALANG 133	First Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 134	Second Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 135	First Semester Modern Tibetan
ASIALANG 136	Second Semester Modern Tibetan
ASIALANG 137	First Semester Persian
ASIALANG 138	Second Semester Persian
ASIALANG 139	First Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 140	Second Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 141	First Semester Sanskrit
ASIALANG 142	Second Semester Sanskrit
ASIALANG 233	Third Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 234	Fourth Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 235	Third Semester Modern Tibetan
ASIALANG 236	Fourth Semester Modern Tibetan
ASIALANG 237	Third Semester Persian
ASIALANG 238	Fourth Semester Persian
ASIALANG 239	Third Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 240	Fourth Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 241	Third Semester Sanskrit
ASIALANG 242	Fourth Semester Sanskrit
ASIALANG 317	First Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 327	Second Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 333	Fifth Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 334	Sixth Semester Hindi
ASIALANG 335	Fifth Semester Tibetan
ASIALANG 336	Sixth Semester Tibetan
ASIALANG 339	Fifth Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 340	Sixth Semester Urdu
ASIALANG 417	Third Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 427	Fourth Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 517	Fifth Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 527	Sixth Semester South Asian Language
ASIALANG 653	Advanced Readings in Hindi Language
ASIALANG 675	Advanced Readings in Sanskrit
ASIALANG 677	Advanced Readings in Tibetan
ASIAN 300	Topics in Asian Studies
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 307	A Survey of Tibetan Buddhism
ASIAN 311	Modern Indian Literatures
ASIAN/AFRICAN/ RELIG ST 370	Islam: Religion and Culture
ASIAN/ ART HIST 379	Cities of Asia

ASIAN/ ART HIST 428	Visual Cultures of India
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 460	The History of Yoga
ASIAN/ HISTORY 463	Topics in South Asian History
ASIAN/ENGL 478	Indian Writers Abroad: Literature, Diaspora and Globalization
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 620	Proseminar: Studies in Religions of Asia
ASIAN 630	Proseminar: Studies in Cultures of Asia
ASIAN AM 101	Introduction to Asian American Studies
ASIAN AM/ ENGL 270	A Survey of Asian American Literature
ENGL/ASIAN 478	Indian Writers Abroad: Literature, Diaspora and Globalization
GEN&WS 102	Gender, Women, and Society in Global Perspective
GEN&WS/ URB R PL 644	International Development and Gender
GEOG 510	Economic Geography
HISTORY 130	An Introduction to World History
HISTORY 229	Explorations in Transnational/Comparative History (Humanities)
HISTORY/ GNS 265	An Introduction to Central Asia: From the Silk Route to Afghanistan
HISTORY 434	American Foreign Relations, 1901 to the Present
HISTORY 450	Making of Modern South Asia
HISTORY/ ASIAN 463	Topics in South Asian History
INTL BUS 200	International Business
INTL BUS 365	Contemporary Topics
INTL BUS/ MARKETNG 420	Global Marketing Strategy
INTL ST 320	Contemporary Issues in International Studies
LEGAL ST 502	
LEGAL ST/ HISTORY 510	Legal Pluralism
NUTR SCI/A A E/ AGRONOMY 350	World Hunger and Malnutrition
POP HLTH 644	Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Global Health and Disease
RELIG ST/ ASIAN 444	Introduction to Sufism (Islamic Mysticism)
RELIG ST/ ASIAN 473	Meditation in Indian Buddhism and Hinduism
RELIG ST 600	Religion in Critical Perspective
THEATRE/ ENGL 577	Postcolonial Theatre: Drama, Theory and Performance in the Global South

Total Credits**9****DISCIPLINARY COURSES**

Code	Title	Credits
6 credits from:		6
ANTHRO 322	The Origins of Civilization	
ANTHRO/ LINGUIS 430	Language and Culture	
ART HIST 411	Topics in Asian Art	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 218	Health and Healing in South Asia	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 236	Asia Enchanted: Ghosts, Gods, and Monsters	
ASIAN/HISTORY/ RELIG ST 267	Asian Religions in Global Perspective	
ASIAN 268	Tibetan Cultures and Traditions	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 274	Religion in South Asia	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 306	Hinduism	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 307	A Survey of Tibetan Buddhism	
ASIAN/HISTORY/ RELIG ST 308	Introduction to Buddhism	
ASIAN 311	Modern Indian Literatures	
ASIAN/AFRICAN/ RELIG ST 370	Islam: Religion and Culture	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 460	The History of Yoga	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 466	Buddhist Thought	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 473	Meditation in Indian Buddhism and Hinduism	
CURRIC 366	Internationalizing Educational Knowledge	
ENGL/ASIAN 478	Indian Writers Abroad: Literature, Diaspora and Globalization	
GEOG 340	World Regions in Global Context	
HISTORY 450	Making of Modern South Asia	
INTL BUS 200	International Business	
LITTRANS/ GERMAN 276	Special Topics in German and World Literature/s	
POLI SCI/ INTL ST 327	Indian Politics in Comparative Perspective	
RELIG ST/ ASIAN 307	A Survey of Tibetan Buddhism	
CAPSTONE		
3 credits from:		3
ANTHRO 690	Problems in Anthropology	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 430	Indian Traditions in the Modern Age	
ASIAN 600	Capstone Seminar in Asian Humanities	
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 620	Proseminar: Studies in Religions of Asia	

ASIAN/ ART HIST 621	Mapping, Making, and Representing Colonial Spaces
ASIAN 630	Proseminar: Studies in Cultures of Asia
ASIAN/ RELIG ST 650	Proseminar in Buddhist Thought
ENVIR ST/ C&E SOC/ SOC 540	Sociology of International Development, Environment, and Sustainability
HISTORY/ ASIAN 463	Topics in South Asian History
POP HLTH/ HIST SCI/ MED HIST 553	International Health and Global Society
POP HLTH 644	Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Global Health and Disease

RESIDENCE & QUALITY OF WORK

- Minimum 2.750 GPA on all certificate courses.
- At least 11 certificate credits must be completed in residence.

CERTIFICATE COMPLETION REQUIREMENT

This undergraduate certificate must be completed concurrently with the student's undergraduate degree. Students cannot delay degree completion to complete the certificate.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. (Historical Grounding) understanding the historical, political, and cultural forces and conditions that have given rise to the unity and diversity in the region today.
2. (Multi-disciplinarity) analyzing contemporary political, economic, and cultural realities in the region from at least two disciplinary perspectives, ideally including humanities, social sciences and sometimes natural science approaches.
3. (Depth of knowledge) mastering at the undergraduate generalist level a particular facet of life in the region by taking courses on a particular sub-region or country, or by studying a regional language, or by taking at least two courses on the region in one discipline.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

Advising for the certificate is administered by the Institute for Regional and International Studies (IRIS). The IRIS assistant director for students and curriculum can assist you in developing your plan of study for the certificate, track progress towards your certificate, explore study abroad and international internship options, and begin the career exploration process. We offer walk-in advising, advising workshops, and scheduled appointments. We strongly encourage students to begin career exploration early on and to make use of the many resources available on campus.

Contact the certificate advisor (Csanád Siklós, 262-5006; siklos@wisc.edu) to create a plan that includes a well-balanced selection of area studies and disciplinary courses and for approval of appropriate introductory and capstone seminar courses.

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

SuccessWorks at the College of Letters & Science helps students leverage the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and liberal arts degree; explore and try out different career paths; participate in internships; prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications; and network with professionals in the field (alumni and employers). In short, SuccessWorks helps students in the College of Letters & Science discover themselves, find opportunities, and develop the skills they need for success after graduation.

SuccessWorks can also assist students in career advising, résumé and cover letter writing, networking opportunities, and interview skills, as well as course offerings for undergraduates to begin their career exploration early in their undergraduate career.

Students should set up their profiles in Handshake (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/>) to take care of everything they need to explore career events, manage their campus interviews, and **apply to jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers around the country.**

- SuccessWorks (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/>)
- Set up a career advising appointment (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit, targeted to first- and second-year students)—for more information, see Inter-LS 210: Career Development, Taking Initiative (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/inter-ls-210-career-development-taking-initiative/>)
- INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Com B General Education Requirement)
- Handshake (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/>)
- Learn how we're transforming career preparation: L&S Career Initiative (<http://ls.wisc.edu/lsci/>)

PEOPLE

Center for South Asia Advisory Committee: Anthony Cerulli (director), Sarah Beckham, Sumudu Atapattu, Sundaram Gunasekaran, Stephen Young, Todd Michelson-Ambelang, Laura Hammond

WISCONSIN EXPERIENCE

As a regional center within the Institute for Regional and International Studies, we support and enhance international and global awareness in our student communities and inspire informed thinking about the complexities of our world. We encourage our students to connect to international networks and our regional communities through our program's lecture series, film screenings, and varied outreach events and activities. We encourage our students to study abroad, do international internships, learn foreign languages, and expect them to gain an interdisciplinary grounding in global and regional affairs. We provide resources and expertise on our world area to students, and prospective students, and more broadly to K-12 teachers and students, postsecondary educators and graduate students, businesses, the media, the military, the community at large, and anyone else who is interested.

RESOURCES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Information about resources and scholarships through the Center for South Asia is available from our website (<http://southasia.wisc.edu/>). Please contact the Center for more information about the South Asian Flagship Languages Initiative (SAFLI), the South Asia Summer Language Institute (SASLI) and the Annual Conference on South Asia. We also strongly encourage our students to explore funding options available through the Institute for Regional and International Studies (IRIS) Awards Office (<https://iris.wisc.edu/funding/>).