China Studies (CNS)

Minor in China Studies
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Courses in Chinese Language (CHI)
See the Course Descriptions listing in this Bulletin for complete information.

1. One of the following:
   - AAS 220 China: Language and Culture
   - AAS/HIS 219 Introduction to Chinese History and Civilization

2. Elective courses:
   - Twelve credits chosen from the list of elective courses below and/or from AAS (AS) and courses in Chinese Language (CHI) listed above. At least nine credits must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
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3. AAS 487 Independent Research

Elective Courses

ARH 206 History of Asian Art
ARH 318 History of Chinese Painting
CLT 220 Topics in Chinese Literature
CLT 361 Literature and Society (when topic is appropriate)
HIS 431 Colloquium in Asian History (when topic is appropriate)
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HUM 201 Film and Television. Studies: Genres (when topic is appropriate)
PHI 342 History of Chinese Philosophy
PHI 375 Philosophical Topics in Asian-American History (appropriate topic)
POL 413 Asian Security and Tech. Issues
RLS 390, 391 Special Topics (when topic is appropriate)
THR 313 Asian Theatre and Drama

The China Studies program enables students majoring in other fields to pursue China-related courses relevant to their own interests, while developing knowledge and skills that will advance their educational and career goals. Drawing on the perspectives of complementary disciplines, the program offers an 18-credit minor in China Studies that covers both contemporary and historical issues. Students may also earn academic credit through study abroad opportunities.

Although proficiency in Chinese language is not required for the minor, language study is strongly encouraged and elective requirements for the minor may be completed through advanced language training. Mandarin Chinese is offered at all levels of instruction, with specialized tracks for "heritage-language" learners and "foreign-language" learners.

Students with a minor in China Studies are encouraged to concentrate in one of three thematic tracks: language and thought; literature and culture; history and society. Sample course sequences for suggested tracks are available from the program director. Specific distribution of elective credits is planned in consultation with the director.