The minor in South Asian Studies provides a broad introduction to a major world civilization through a set of coordinated courses in selected areas of South Asian society and culture. Courses are offered in South Asian languages, religions, philosophy, history, politics, culture, literatures, linguistics, and performing arts. Both traditional and contemporary aspects are covered. The minor serves as a foundation for specialization in area studies (South Asia), complements knowledge of other areas in Asian Studies, and offers cross-cultural experience valued in many fields, including international business. With the approval of the director of the minor, the student constructs a coherent and individualized program of study. Students may also earn academic credits through Study Abroad in India opportunities.

The Center for India Studies (Telephone: 632-9742), located in E-5350 Melville Library, offers a reference library, lectures and performing arts programs, publications, and internship opportunities for students minoring in South Asian Studies. Visit http://www.sunysb.edu/india for details.

Courses Offered in South Asian Studies

See the Course Descriptions listing in this Bulletin for complete information.

- **AAS 102-B Eastern Religions**
- **AAS 110-G Appreciating Indian Music**
- **AAS 201-J Introduction to the Civilization of the Indian Subcontinent**
- **AAS 211-F Asian and Asian American Studies Topics in the Social Sciences**
- **AAS 212-G Asian and Asian American Studies Topics in the Humanities**
- **AAS 250-K Languages and Cultures of Asian Americans**
- **AAS 256-J Hinduism**
- **AAS 260-J Buddhism**
- **AAS 280-J Islam**
- **AAS 317-J Islamic Art**
- **AAS 320-G Literature of India**
- **AAS 326-G Indian Mythology**
- **AAS 327-G Great Epics of India: Ramayana and Mahabharata**
- **AAS 330-J Language and Society in South Asia**
- **AAS 338-J Contemporary India: History, Politics, and Diplomacy (Post 1947)**
- **AAS 340-J Topics in Asian History**
- **AAS 357 India's Foreign Policy**
- **AAS 367-J Meditation and Enlightenment**
- **AAS 380-G Islamic Classics**
- **AAS/PHI 386 Topics in Asian Philosophy**
- **AAS 391-G Humanities Topics in Asian and Asian American Studies**
- **AAS 392-F Social Sciences Topics in Asian and Asian American Studies**
- **AAS 394-J Topics in Asian Art**
- **AAS 401 Senior Seminar in Asian and Asian American Studies**
- **AAS 447 Directed Readings in Asian and Asian American Studies**
- **AAS 475, 476 Undergraduate Teaching Practica I, II**
- **AAS 487 Supervised Research in Asian and Asian American Studies**
- **AAS 488 Internship**

Requirements for the Minor in South Asian Studies (SOA)

All courses offered for the minor must be passed with a letter grade of C or higher. At least nine credits toward the minor must be upper-division.

Completion of the minor requires seven courses or 21 credits.

1. **AAS 201 Introduction to the Civilization of the Indian Subcontinent**
2. **AAS 338 Contemporary India: History, Politics, and Diplomacy**
3. One of the following:
   - **AAS/RLS 256 Hinduism**
   - **AAS/RLS 260 Buddhism**
   - **AAS/RLS 280 Islam**
4. Three of the following:
   - **AAS 110 Appreciating Indian Music**
   - **AAS 209 Indian Classical Dance**
   - **AAS 212 Asian and Asian American Studies Topics in the Humanities (appropriate topic only)**
   - **AAS/RLS 256 Languages and Cultures of Asian Americans**
   - **AAS 320 Literature of India**
   - **AAS 330 Language and Society in South Asia**
   - **AAS 338-J Contemporary India: History, Politics, and Diplomacy (Post 1947)**
   - **AAS 340-J Topics in Asian History**
   - **AAS 357 India's Foreign Policy**
   - **AAS 367-J Meditation and Enlightenment**
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   - **AAS 487 Supervised Research in Asian and Asian American Studies**
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5. One additional course (a minimum of 3 credits) chosen from the following:
   - **AAS 211 Asian and Asian American Studies Topics in the Social Sciences (appropriate topic only)**

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AAS 212 Asian and Asian American Studies Topics in the Humanities (appropriate topic only)
ANT 311 Immersion in Another Culture (appropriate topic only)
ARH 203 History of Asian Art
CLT 220 Non-Western Literature (appropriate topic only)
EGL 373 Literature in English from Non-Western Cultures (appropriate topic only)
EGL 374 Literature in Relation to Other Disciplines (appropriate topic only)
HIN 111 Elementary Hindi I
HIN 112 Elementary Hindi II
HIN 211 Intermediate Hindi I
HIN 212 Intermediate Hindi II
LIN 431 Analysis of an Uncommonly Taught Language (appropriate topic only)
AAS/RLS 367 Meditation and Enlightenment
AAS/RLS 380 Islamic Classics
AAS 391, 392 Special Topics in Asian and Asian American Studies (formerly SAS 401, 402)
AAS 447 Directed Readings (formerly SAS 447)
AAS 487 Supervised Research (formerly SAS 487)
SKT 111 Elementary Sanskrit I
SKT 112 Elementary Sanskrit II
THR 313 Asian Theatre and Drama