MINOR

JAPANESE AREA & CULTURE STUDIES

** 17 credits **

Name: _	
ID: _	
Certified:	
Updated:	

A systematic approach to the study of a variety of regional myths, and global, ethnic, and racial narrative traditions in their original context as well as in more contemporary reinterpretations through literature and film and other cultural arenas, with the aim to challenge and resituate dominant views about race and ethnicity, gender, social classes, and different political practices. When we consider how contemporary writers, filmmakers, poets, playwrights, painters, music composers, and other cultural producers use the forms and elements of these storytelling practices, we can more effectively analyze how these narratives have the power to articulate political ideas as well as social and cultural transformations. In this manner, the program develops critical thinking and encouragement to re-interpret the place of the self as an identity culturally situated. Narratives to be studied address specific topics related to gender (representations of women, men, homosexuality, etc.), age (representations of childhood, youth, the elderly, etc.), history (representations of war, revolutions, dictatorships, democratization, etc.), culture and society (gendered roles, race, nature, religion, social classes, immigration, etc.).

- 14 of the credits must be earned at WSU.
- Courses must be earned with a grade of C or better.
- Upper division courses must be taken in residence at WSU or through WSU-approved education abroad or educational exchange courses (WSU academic regulation #54.).

REQUIRED CORE COURSES • 8 credits (TWO courses).

Course	Credits (8 cr)	Courses taken:	Sem/Yr	Grade
Two courses from:				
Japanese 203 – Third Semester	4			
Japanese 204 – Fourth Semester	4			

ELECTIVE COURSES • 9 credits (three courses).

Choose three courses from language or culture/area studies:

LANGUAGE – <mark>must take ONE</mark>	CULTURE/AREA STUIDES – taught in English	Courses Taken:		
<u>language course</u>				
	Japanese 320 (DIVR,M) – Issues in East Asian Ethics	Course:	Sem/Yr	Grade
Japanese 306 - Read & Translation	Japanese 322 (DIVR,M) – Ecology in East Asian Cultures			
Japanese 307 - Speak & Listening	Chin/Asia 311 (M) – Great Asian Directors			
Japanese 308 - Grammar & Writing	Chin/Asia 330 (M) – The Art of War			
Japanese 361 - Professions				
	Asia/Fine Arts 302 (M) – Arts of Asia			
	Asia/Hist 374 (HUM – Modern Japanese Civilization			
	Asia/Hist 377 (DIVR,M) – Modern Japanese History			
	Asia/Hist 379 (SSCI) – History of East Asian Econ Dev			
	Asia/Hist 387 – World War II in Asia & Pacific			

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- 14 credits must be taken in residence at WSU or through WSU-approved education abroad or educational exchange courses.
- No courses taken Pass/ Fail may count towards the minor.
- 105, 205, 305, 405 may not count towards the minor.
- A grade of C or better must be earned in each of the courses applied towards the minor.
- No more than 6 credits may apply toward completion of a different minor.
- Other courses may be added to the list of acceptable electives as they become available.
- To discuss any course equivalencies, please contact the minor coordinator.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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DEPARTMENTAL ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT

Starting in a course higher than 101 for your first language class at WSU? You may be eligible for departmental advanced placement credit. Check out the Departmental Advanced Placement Credits, and see the Languages advisor for details: https://slcr.wsu.edu/advanced-placement/

FOR EXAMPLE:

<u>Take JAPN 102 (Second Semester Japanese) & get a B or better</u>

<u>Earn 4 credits for 102</u>

PLUS 4 AP credits awarded for JAPN 101

Take JAPN 203 (Third Semester Japanese) & get a B or better

Earn 4 credits for 203
PLUS 4 AP credits awarded for JAPN 102
PLUS 4 AP credits awarded for JAPN 101

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM

Do you have prior language expertise, and not sure which level language class you should take? View the Foreign Language Placement Testing details at: https://slcr.wsu.edu/placement-testing/

STUDY ABROAD AND INTERNSHIPS ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!

Ask the Foreign Languages advisor for additional information and assistance. https://slcr.wsu.edu/study-abroad/