The Bachelor of Arts in Asian Studies offers undergraduates a broad liberal arts education in the histories, politics, cultures, and societies of Asia. Asian studies majors complete at least two years of an Asian language in addition to pursuing a rigorous course of study covering a number of disciplines and national traditions. The core course work provides foundational knowledge in the history, politics, and societies of East Asian nations, Asian place within a globalizing world, and skills in research and analysis. Majors are also required to develop a expertise in one of the following focus areas: history; society and politics; language, literature, and culture; or religious studies. Finally, students are required to complete academic study or a professional experience abroad.

**Program Requirements**
Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

**University-Wide Requirements**
All undergraduate students are required to complete the University-Wide Requirements [here](http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements).

**NUpath Requirements**
All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements [here](http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath).

**BA Language Requirements**
All BA students are required to complete the BA language requirements [here](http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements).

**Asian Studies Requirements**

**Required Courses**
- ASNS 1150 East Asian Studies 4
- HIST 1215 Origins of Today: Historical Roots of Contemporary Issues 4

**Asia in Global Context**
Complete one of the following:
- ECON 1290 History of the Global Economy 4
- ENGL 2450 Postcolonial Literature
- HIST 1110 Introduction to World History
- INTL 2240 Global Population and Development
- POLS 3487 Politics of Developing Nations
- PPUA 5265 Urban and Regional Policy in Developing Countries
- SOCL 3455 Seminar in Urban Sociology

**Capstone**
Complete one of the following:
- ASNS 4900 Asian Studies Capstone Directed Study 4
- ASNS 4910 Issues in Modern and Contemporary Asia
- ASNS 4920 Asian Studies Capstone Seminar

**International Experience**

Complete a professional or academic experience abroad in consultation with your advisor.

**Language and Elective Requirements**

**Language Courses**
Complete the following courses in either Chinese or Japanese:
- Chinese
  - Select one of the following:
    - CHNS 1101 Elementary Chinese 1
    - CHNS 1201 Elementary Chinese 1—BSIB
    - CHNS 1301 Elementary Chinese Immersion 1
  - Select one of the following:
    - CHNS 1102 Elementary Chinese 2
    - CHNS 1202 Elementary Chinese 2—BSIB
    - CHNS 1302 Elementary Chinese Immersion 2
- Japanese
  - JPNS 1101 Elementary Japanese 1
  - JPNS 1102 Elementary Japanese 2
  - JPNS 1301 Elementary Japanese Immersion 1
  - JPNS 1302 Elementary Japanese Immersion 2

**Asian Studies Electives**
Complete six courses from the following focus areas. Choose at least three courses from one focus area:

**History Focus Area**
- HIST 1189 Introduction to South Asian History
- HIST 1246 World War II in the Pacific
- HIST 1252 Japanese Literature and Culture
- HIST 1254 Mao’s China and After
- HIST 1500 Modern Chinese History and Culture
- HIST 2243 American Images of China
- HIST 2308 Law, Justice, and Society in Modern China
- HIST 2351 Modern Japan
- HIST 2352 Dictators and Democracy in Japan and Korea
- HIST 3452 Global Chinese Migration
- HIST 4650 Topics in Asian History

**Society and Politics Focus Area**
ANTH 4350  Ethnography of Southeast Asia
ANTH 4515  Culture and Politics in Modern India
ASNS 2245  The Asian-American Experience
INTB 2501  Competing to Win in Emerging Markets
MKTG 4220  Marketing in Asia
PHIL 1130  Ethics: East and West
POLS 3480  Government and Politics in Japan
POLS 3485  China: Governance and Foreign Policy
INTL 2240  Global Population and Development
POLS 3487  Politics of Developing Nations
PPUA 5265  Urban and Regional Policy in Developing Countries
SOCL 3455  Seminar in Urban Sociology

**Language, Literature, and Culture Focus Area**
ARCH 1320  Architecture and Global Cultures, 1400 to Present
ARCH 2310  Chinese Architecture 1: Premodern
ARCH 2320  Chinese Architecture 2: Modern
CLTR 1260  Japanese Film
CLTR 1700  Introduction to Japanese Pop Culture
ENGL 2450  Postcolonial Literature
MUSC 2130  Music of Asia
PHIL 1130  Ethics: East and West

**Religious Studies Focus Area**
PHIL 1231  Image and Icon in South Asia
PHIL 1273  Jainism
PHIL 1275  Hinduism, Buddhism, and Beyond: Eastern Religions
PHIL 1276  Indian Religions
PHIL 1290  Chinese Philosophy and Religion
PHIL 2394  Chinese Buddhism
PHIL 2395  Japanese Buddhism
PHIL 4393  Asian Religions in the United States
PHIL 4545  Religion and Politics in South Asia

**Asian Studies Major Credit Requirement**
Complete 56 semester hours in the major.

**Program Requirements**
128 total semester hours required