

Ethnic Studies, Asian American Studies (BA)

The ethnic studies program is administered by the Center for Asian American Studies. The director and executive committee of this center advises students, prescribes groups of courses that fulfill content requirements, and authorizes course substitutions when appropriate.

Total Hours Required: 120

Plan of Study

The Plan of Study is a suggested four-year course sequence to support academic planning and serves as a helpful guide. Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor to tailor their course selections and timelines to their individual goals and circumstances.

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
Semester 1		
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		6
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing	3
First-Year Signature Course (090)		3
AAS 301	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		6
Mathematics (020)		3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (080)		3
U.S. History (060)		3
Hours		15
Year 2		
Semester 1		
AAS 310	Introductory Topics in Asian American Studies	3
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)		3
E 316M	American Literature	3
U.S. History (060)		3
Visual and Performing Arts (050)		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
Transcript-recognized minor or certificate		3
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)		3
GOV 310L	American and Texas Government	3
Additional Social Science course		3
Transcript-recognized minor or certificate		3
Hours		15
Year 3		
Semester 1		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division AAS (Culture, Literature, and Media Studies)		3
GOV 312L	Issues and Policies in American Government	3
Natural Science and Technology, Part II (093)		3
Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)		3
Transcript-recognized minor or certificate		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division AAS (Social Sciences)		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division AAS (Culture, Literature, and Media Studies)		3
Transcript-recognized minor or certificate		3
Free Elective		3
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Hours		15

Year 4		
Semester 1		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division AAS (Culture, Literature, and Media Studies)		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division AAS (Social Sciences)		3
Transcript-recognized minor or certificate		3
Free Elective		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
AAS 377	Capstone Seminar	3
Free Elective		6
Free Elective (upper-division)		6
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

Requirements

All requirements are listed below, starting with the most specialized moving to the most general. Additional requirements may follow the table, so be sure to read the entire page. Some required courses listed below may also satisfy [General Education](#) requirements, including [Core Curriculum](#).

Code	Title	Hours
Major		
AAS 301	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
or AAS 312	Introduction to Asian American History	
AAS 310	Introductory Topics in Asian American Studies	3
or AAS 314	Asian American Literature and Culture	
Hours chosen from upper-division coursework in Asian American Studies, divided between at least two of the following tracks (courses in each track are available at the Center for Asian American Studies):		15
Culture, Literature, and Media Studies		
Economics, History, and Government		
Social Sciences		
Public Policy		
AAS 377	Capstone Seminar	3
Subtotal		24
Degree (see details below)		51
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.		15
Subtotal		66
General Education		
Remaining Core Curriculum (42 hours total)		30
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		
Subtotal		30
College Requirements - Liberal Arts		
General University Requirements		
Total Hours		120

Degree - Bachelor of Arts (BA) - Liberal Arts

Code	Title	Hours
Degree		
Literature and Writing		
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing (Plan II honors requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	3

Hours chosen from: <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)	3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)	6
Choose a sequence below:	12
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
E 303C Plan II World Literature Part I or T C 303C Plan II World Literature Part I	
Sequence 2: Plan I	
E 316L British Literature or E 316M American Literature or E 316N World Literature	
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>	3
<i>Choose a sequence below: Social Science</i>	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
S S 302C Honors Social Science: Methods and Theory or S S 302D Honors Social Science: Psychology or S S 302E Honors Social Science: Anthropology or S S 302E Honors Social Science: Anthropology or S S 302F Honors Social Science: Economics	
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Additional Social Science (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
<i>Mathematics</i>	
Choose a sequence below: (M 301, M 316K, and M 316L do not count toward this requirement)	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
M 310P Modern Mathematics: Plan II	
Sequence 2: Plan I	
Hours chosen from: Mathematics	
<i>Choose a sequence below:</i>	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
T C 310 Modes of Reasoning or PHL 313QLogic and Scientific Reasoning	
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
<i>Choose a sequence below:</i>	15
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
Six Hours chosen from: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, geological sciences, physical science, or physics (may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
BIO 301E Problems in Modern Biology	
PHY 321 Modern Physics: Plan II	
Three Hours chosen from:	
Art history, music history, or history of theatre and dance	
Upper-division classical civilization, humanities, literature, or philosophy	
Sequence 2: Plan I International Relations and Global Studies	
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.	
Sequence 3: Other Plan I	
Hours chosen from:	

<u>Transcript-recognized minor or certificate</u>	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in the Social and Behavioral Sciences	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought	
Total Hours	51

Additional Requirements and Policies

Unless otherwise stated, students must complete at least:

- 15 upper-division degree hours
- 24 upper-division degree hours taken in residence at the University
- 36 additional degree hours taken in residence at the University.

Credit may be earned via credit by examination, extension, or transferred hours from another institution (requires dean's approval).

Major and minor required hours may also be used to fulfill degree requirements unless expressly prohibited.

A course in one degree area may not also be used to fulfill the requirements of another degree area unless specified otherwise.

Mathematics courses at the college algebra level may not count toward elective hours.

Majors

A major consists of 24 to 45 hours, with at least 15 upper-division hours unless the requirements of the major state otherwise.

Students must earn at least:

- 18 major hours taken in residence at the University.
- 6 upper-division major hours taken in residence at the University
- a 2.00 grade point average for in-residence major hours taken at the University unless a higher minimum scholastic requirement is specified for the major.

Minors

Students must get permission from their College of Liberal Arts academic advisor to pursue more than one transcript-recognized minor or certificate per major. The academic advisor will approve or deny the request after considering the student's long-term educational and professional goals and the student's ability to graduate within 4 years of entering the University.

Students should consult the department offering the course before planning to use it to fulfill the minor requirement.

Hours used to fulfill the requirements for a minor must be taken on the letter-grade basis.

See University Minor and Certificate policies here.