The remaining units can be taken from the core curriculum or from a long list of electives. Elective courses provide the opportunity for more in-depth or topical and comparative study as well as the study of South Asia in relation to other regions of the world.

The minor is designed to give flexibility to students who can select from courses across disciplines, including Art, Asian American Studies, Economics, English, Ethnic Studies, History, Holistic Health, Humanities, International Business, International Relations, Philosophy, Political Science, and Women and Gender Studies.

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Core

Select at least three courses (9–17 units) from the core according to the requirements indicated below. The core consists of three core areas identified as Culture of South Asia, History and Politics of South Asia, and South Asian Diaspora.

South Asian Studies Minor — Minimum 18 units

Core (9–17 units)

Core Area 1: Culture of South Asia (3–6 units)

ART 502 Asian Art: Special Areas (prerequisite of ART 205) 3
HUM 535 Classical South Asian Cultural Forms 3
HUM 536 Modern South Asian Cultural Forms 3

Core Area 2: History and Politics of South Asia (3–8 units)

HIST 584 India and the British Empire 3
IR 326 South and Southeast Asia Foreign Relations 4
PLSI/I R 412 South Asian Politics 4
PLSI 415 Politics of India 4

Core Area 3: South Asian Diaspora (3 units)

AA S 540 South Asians in the United States 3
RRS 657/ AA S 541 South Asian Diaspora 3

Electives (1–9 units)

Select any courses not completed in fulfillment of the core above

AA S 210 History of Asians in the United States 3
or AA S 510 Asian Americans in California 3
ART 417 The Art and Architecture of Islam 3
ART/HUM 205 Asian Art History 3
HIST 585 India since Gandhi 3
HIST 606 History of Iran and Afghanistan 1500 - Present 3
HUM 366 India’s Gandhi 3
HUM 375 Biography of a City (Delhi) 3
MUS 530 Musics of the Middle East and India 3
PHIL 509 The Buddhist Tradition 3
PLSI/I R 412 Ethnicity and Nationalism 4
SNSK 699 Independent Study 1-3