BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES

Program Learning Outcomes
1. Gain an interdisciplinary understanding of the histories, cultures, and racialization of Asian Americans.
2. Apply course concepts and critical theories and methodologies to identify the structural and ideological forces that shape the lives of Asian Americans.
3. Apply the skills and knowledge acquired toward the self-determination and empowerment of Asian American communities.
4. Develop values of social justice, equity, activism, and respect for differences.
5. Construct evidence-based and persuasive oral and written arguments with proper citations and support from multiple forms of knowledge, including community and academic resources, that communicate what students have discovered.

Asian American Studies (B.A.) — 42 units
No more than 9 units can be taken with CR/NC grading.

Introduction to Asian American Studies (6 Units)
Select one course in Category A and one in Category B

Category A: History/Social Sciences
AA S 210 History of Asians in the United States
AA S 211 Contemporary Asian Americans
AA S 213 Asian Americans and American Ideals and Institutions

Category B: Humanities
AA S 212 Asian Americans and Mass Media
AA S 216 Introduction to Asian American Literature
AA S 218 Asian American Culture

Ethnic Courses (15 Units)
Select five courses representing at least four different ethnic groups.

Note: Other AA S 300 level courses are acceptable upon advisement. AA S 685, AA S 688, or AA S 699 may count if the course content is ethnic-specific (a maximum of 3 units from AA S 685, AA S 688, or AA S 699 can count towards the Asian American Studies major’s total unit requirement of 42).

Asian American of Mixed Heritages
Code Title Units
AA S 301 Asian Americans of Mixed Heritages 3

Cambodian American
Code Title Units
AA S 380 Cambodians in the United States 3

Chinese American
Code Title Units
AA S 320 Chinese in the United States 3
AA S 322 Chinese American Language and Literature 3
AA S 323 Chinese American Identities 3

Filipina/o American
Code Title Units
AA S 350 Filipina/os in the United States 3
AA S 352 Filipina/o American Literature, Art, and Culture 3
AA S 353 Filipina/o American Identities 3

Japanese American
Code Title Units
AA S 330 Nikkei in the United States 3
AA S 332 Japanese American Art and Literature 3
AA S 333 Japanese American Identities 3
AA S 338 Okinawan American Heritage and Culture 3

Korean American
Code Title Units
AA S 360 Koreans in the United States 3

Vietnamese American
Code Title Units
AA S 370 Vietnamese in the United States 3
AA S 372 Vietnamese American Literature 3
AA S 373 Vietnamese American Identities 3

Panethnic Courses (9 Units)
Select 3 courses from the following.

Note: Other AA S 500–600 level courses are acceptable upon advisement. AA S 685, AA S 688, or AA S 699 may count for this area if the course content is panethnic (a maximum of 3 units from AA S 685, AA S 688, or AA S 699 can count towards the Asian American Studies major’s total unit requirement of 42). A lower-division course may also substitute for 3 units with approval from an advisor.

Code Title Units
AA S 510 Asian Americans in California 3
AA S 512 Asian American Children’s/Adolescent Literature 3
AA S 514 Asian American Community Arts Workshop 3
AA S 516 Asian American Photographic Explorations 3
AA S 520 Asian American Musical Communities 3
AA S 522 Asian Americans and the Transracial Adoptee Experience 3
AA S 540 South Asians in the United States 3
AA S 541/ RRS 657 South Asian Diaspora 3
AA S 570 Southeast Asians in the United States 3
AA S 581 Asian American Women 3
AA S 582 Asian American Women’s Literature and the Arts 3
AA S 584 Asian American Sexualities 3
AA S 585 Asian American Religiosities 3
AA S 587 Asian Americans and Environmental Justice 3
AA S 588 Asian American Media Workshop 3
Bachelor of Arts in Asian American Studies

Required Major Courses (9 Units)

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<td>AA S 591</td>
<td>Asian American Community Health Issues</td>
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<td>AA S 595</td>
<td>Asian American Communities and Public Policy</td>
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Grading Policy: Minimum grade of C- required.

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (3 units)

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<td>ETHS 300GW</td>
<td>Writing in Ethnic Studies - GWAR</td>
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Complementary Studies

Bachelor of Arts students must complete 12 units of complementary studies outside of the primary prefix for the major and not cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major.

Students who complete two majors or a major and a minor automatically complete the complementary studies requirement.

Students in the Asian American Studies major may also satisfy the complementary studies requirement by completing one of the following options:

- 12 units from an Asian Language Complementary Studies cluster.
- 3 units from each of these prefixes: AFRS, AIS, LTNS, and RRS (may not be from courses that are cross-listed with AA S).
- 12 units from one of these prefixes: AFRS, AIS, LTNS, or RRS (may not be from courses that are cross-listed with AA S).
- 12 units as partial completion of a minor.
- 12 units as partial completion of a certificate.
- 12 units from an Asia-related study abroad program.
- Upon advisement, a coherent group of courses complementary to the major.

General Education Requirements

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SF State Studies

Courses certified as meeting the SF State Studies requirements may be upper or lower division in General Education (GE), a major or minor, or an elective.

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<td>American Ethnic and Racial Minorities</td>
<td>LD or UD</td>
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Note: LD = Lower-Division; UD = Upper-Division.

First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

1. In order to choose your English Composition A2 course and your QR/Math B4 course, please complete the online advising activities at writingadvising.sfsu.edu (https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu/) and mathadvising.sfsu.edu (https://mathadvising.sfsu.edu/). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/)
2. Select the row that matches your English course choice for A2.*
3. Select the column that matches your QR/Math course choice for B4.
4. Click the Roadmap that lines up with your row and column.

For example, if you select ENG 104/ENG 105 and a multi-semester QR/ math sequence for your first year, then choose Roadmap D.

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Degree completion in 60 units cannot be guaranteed when a student simultaneously pursues an additional major, a minor, certificate, or credential.

A sample advising roadmap for students who have earned an ADT and continue in a “similar” major at SF State is available on the Roadmaps tab on the degree requirements page for the major. The roadmap displays:

- How many lower-division units required for the major have been completed upon entry based on the award of a specific ADT;
- Which lower-division requirements are considered complete upon entry based on the award of a specific ADT;
- How to complete the remaining 60 units for the degree in four semesters.

Students who have earned an ADT should seek advising in the major department during the first semester of attendance.

### General Advising Information for Transfer Students

1. Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
2. The following courses are not required for admission but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.
   - a course in U.S. History
   - a course in U.S. & California Government

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit [http://www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org). Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower-division major requirements for this major;

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 semester units/90 quarter units required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper-division transfer (for example, if a course was not passed on the first attempt or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California Community College of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower-division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State. Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken.
Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower-division General Education in Areas C and D until after transfer to focus on preparation courses for the major. This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.

**Transferring From Institutions Other Than CCCs or CSUs**

Review SF State’s lower-division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State’s lower-division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL.

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.