The Minor in Asian American Studies

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WHY GET AN ASAM MINOR?

- Comprehend the formation of a minority community
- Encounter underrepresented communities in archives, artifacts, and in person
- Engage with multidisciplinary approaches and intersectional scholarship
- Consider comparative frames for racial, ethnic, and migrant experience
- Connect local experience to transnational dimensions and global implications
- Reconsider their major disciplines through new critical lenses

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

The ASAM Minor consists of 6 courses:

3 core courses:
- ASAM 0100 Introduction to Asian American Studies
- ASAM 0101 Asian American Communities
- ASAM 0102 Asian American History or ASAM 0103 Asian American Literature

2 additional ASAM courses
1 ASAM or related course

Most of our offerings fulfill Cultural Diversity in the US and Cross-Cultural Analysis requirements in the College. ASAM courses can also fulfill General and Distributional requirements within different schools at Penn.

INTERESTED?

Contact Dr. Fariha Khan,
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to schedule an appointment.

Discuss your academic plans with us early on in the program; we can help you to put together a course sequence most suitable for your interests and career goals. The application form and more information about our courses and events are available at: asam.sas.upenn.edu.

THE ASAM MINOR

The ASAM minor prepares students intellectually as well as socially for careers and lives in a world of increasing diversity. It brings together critical and creative approaches from the humanities and the arts with the analytic methods of the social sciences in a comparative context to explore the multiple dimensions, facets, opportunities, and challenges of the Asian American experience. The wide-ranging courses examine the history, politics, culture, and psychology of ever-changing Asian and Asian American communities in North America and the diaspora.

Our flexible program of study complements majors in the arts, education, finance, pre-law and pre-medicine, politics, public service, science, and technology. ASAM undergraduate minors acquire critical thinking skills and an in-depth knowledge that will enrich their intellectual experience at Penn while gaining a distinct expertise in their post-collegiate lives and careers.