

# ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE IN ASIAN STUDIES

## At a Glance

### Faculty

kpu.ca/arts (<http://kpu.ca/arts/>)

### Area of Study:

kpu.ca/arts/asian-studies (<http://kpu.ca/arts/asian-studies/>)

### Academic Level:

Undergraduate

### Credential Granted:

Associate Degree

### Start Date:

Fall (September)

Spring (January)

Summer (May)

### Intake Type:

- Open

### Minimum Credits Required:

60

### Curriculum Effective Date:

01-Sep-2020

## Description

The Associate of Arts Degree (AA) in Asian Studies will introduce you to the discipline and prepare you for further study. By completing the AA Degree you will gain a broader understanding of the world in which you live and will become a more informed and engaged citizen. You can choose to focus on a particular geographic region; however, we recommend that you complete as broad a range of courses as possible.

Asian Studies courses involve a significant amount of reading and writing; therefore, it is strongly recommended that you complete your English requirements within your first two semesters.

## Requirements

### Admission Requirements

The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/admissions/english-proficiency-requirements/>), apply to this program.

### Curricular Requirements

Within the framework of the Associate of Arts Degree (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/aa-degree-framework/>), students must complete at least 60 credits with a minimum grade of C in each course and meet the following requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Group A</b>		
Select at least 9 credits from the following:		9
ASIA 2252	Indian Society through Popular Film	
ASIA 2290	South Asians around the Globe	
ASIA 3130	Sikh Culture, Religion and Society	
GEOG 2185	Geography of East Asia	
GEOG 2190	Geography of South Asia	
POLI 2140	Comparative Politics of Asia	
POLI 3146	Government and Politics of India	
SOCI 3230	International Migration	
<b>Group B</b>		
Select at least 9 credits from the following:		9
ASIA 1111	The Religions of India	
JAPN/LANC 1200	Introduction to Contemporary Japanese Society and Culture	
HIST 1150	Beyond the Middle Kingdom: Introduction to East Asian History	
HIST 1160	A Passage to South Asia: Introduction to South Asian History	
HIST 2350	Late Imperial China	
HIST 3350	China in the Twentieth Century: Reforms and Revolutions	
HIST 3360	British India 1857 to 1947	
HIST 3361	Indian Subcontinent since 1947	
HIST 3370	History of Modern Japan	
HIST 4450	China and the West	
HIST 4460	Gandhi in History	
HIST 4470	Warriors of Japan: The Samurai	
HIST 4480	The Vietnam War in Historical Perspective	
PHIL 2115	Asian Philosophy	
<b>Group C</b>		
Select at least 6 credits in an Asian language: <sup>1</sup>		6
JAPN 1100	Basic Japanese I	
JAPN 1101	Basic Japanese II	
JAPN 2200	Intermediate Japanese I	
JAPN 2201	Intermediate Japanese II	
JAPN 3300	Upper Intermediate Japanese I	
JAPN 3301	Upper Intermediate Japanese II	
JAPN 4400	Advanced Japanese I: Conversation	
MAND 1100	Beginner Mandarin I	
MAND 1101	Beginner Mandarin II	
MAND 2200	Intermediate Mandarin I	
MAND 2201	Intermediate Mandarin II	
MAND 3310	Upper Intermediate Mandarin: Reading And Writing I	
MAND 3311	Upper Intermediate Mandarin II: Reading and Writing	
PUNJ 1100	Introductory Punjabi I	
PUNJ 1101	Introductory Punjabi II	
PUNJ 2200	Intermediate Punjabi I	

PUNJ 2201 Intermediate Punjabi II

PUNJ 3300 Learn Punjabi Through Punjabi Canadian Literature

<sup>1</sup> This requirement can be satisfied by successful completion of at least two of the listed courses or in the case of other Asian languages by arrangements with the Asian Studies Degree Coordinator. Students with native fluency in an approved Asian Language may apply to the Asian Studies Degree Coordinator for a waiver. In the event that a waiver is granted, students must complete an additional 6 credits from the courses in Group A and Group B in place of the 6 credit language requirement.

## Credential Awarded

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive an **Associate of Arts degree in Asian Studies**.