

MINOR IN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

At a Glance

Faculty

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

Area of Study:

kpu.ca/arts/language-cultures (<http://kpu.ca/arts/language-cultures/>)

Academic Level:

Undergraduate

Credential Granted:

Minor

Start Date:

Fall (September)

Spring (January)

Summer (May)

Intake Type:

- Open

Minimum Credits Required:

24

Curriculum Effective Date:

01-Sep-2018

Description

The goal of the Minor in Language and Culture is to prepare students for an increasingly diverse and interconnected world. Students will develop strong linguistic, communicative, and cultural competence, both written and oral, in the languages and cultures of study. They will be prepared for both graduate programs and employment opportunities in a wide range of fields that benefit from cross-cultural communication and competence. The program includes courses in a number of departments, reflecting the diversity and interconnectedness of today's society.

The program also permits a variety of international experiences to encourage students to take up to one year of their studies in field schools or exchange opportunities. This minor may be applied towards any KPU bachelor's degree.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

Students pursuing a minor in Language and Culture must be admitted to KPU for undergraduate studies.

Declaration Requirements

Students pursuing this minor must declare their intention prior to graduation. A minor may only be declared as part of a bachelor's degree.

Curricular Requirements

Students must achieve a minimum grade of C in all required courses.

The Minor in Language and Culture requires a minimum total of 24 credits. At least 18 credits must be from courses at the 3000 level or above. The 24 credits will be divided as follows:

- 3 credits in a Linguistics (LING) course at the 1100 level or higher, plus
- 3 credits in a language course¹ at the 2000 level or higher, plus
- 12 credits from courses offered by the Department of Language and Cultures² at the 3000 level or higher, plus
- 6 additional credits from courses at the 3000 level or higher selected from:
 - courses in the Department of Language and Cultures², or
 - approved culture-related courses in other disciplines (see the list below)

¹ Any of the languages offered at KPU (currently FREN, JAPN, MAND, PUNJ or SPAN) may be chosen to fulfill the language requirement at the 2000 level or higher. Students will normally begin their language courses at the 1100 level, but may enter directly into 2000-level or higher courses, if they fulfill course prerequisites or pass a prior learning assessment test in that language. Guidelines for typical course progressions can be found on the Department's webpage at: kpu.ca/arts/language-cultures (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/language-cultures/>)

² Note: The following subject codes are used for courses offered by the Department of Language and Cultures: FREN, JAPN, LANC, LING, MAND, PUNJ, SPAN

Approved culture-related courses in other disciplines¹

Code	Title	Credits
ANTH 3330	East Asian Archaeology	3
ASIA 3151	Gender in East Asia	3
ASIA 3152	Ethnicity in China and Japan	3
ASIA 3154	Chinese Cinema and Society	3
ASIA 3230	Islam in South Asia	3
ASIA 3255	Gender in South Asia	3
ASIA 4351	Advanced Topics in Asian Cinema	3
HIST 3350	China in the Twentieth Century: Reforms and Revolutions	3
HIST 3370	History of Modern Japan	3
HIST 4450	China and the West	3
HIST 4470	Warriors of Japan: The Samurai	3
PHIL 3425	Language and Meaning	3
POLI 3146	Government and Politics of India	3
PSYC 4700	Culture and Psychology	3

¹ Note: Other courses that deal with the study of language, examine intercultural communication, or explore cultural aspects of particular nations or communities where any of the languages offered at KPU (currently FREN, JAPN, MAND, PUNJ or SPAN) are spoken may qualify as substitutes to fulfill these requirements upon the approval of the Department of Language and Cultures and the Office of the Registrar.

Students are advised that these courses will typically have prerequisites, which must be met when enrolling to fulfill requirements of the Language and Culture Minor.

Credential Awarded

Upon successful completion of the minor as part of a bachelor's degree program, transcripts will indicate a **Minor in Language and Culture**.