

BA with a Major in Global Asian Studies

Degree Requirements

To earn a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences degree from UIC, students must complete university, college, and program degree requirements. The Global Asian Studies Program degree requirements are outlined below. Students should consult the [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#) section for additional degree requirements and college academic policies.

Code	Title	Hours
Summary of Requirements		
General Education Requirements and Electives to reach total minimum hours		87
Major Requirements		33
Total Hours		120

General Education Requirements:

See General Education and Writing-in-the-Discipline in the [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#) section for information on meeting these requirements.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
GLAS 100	Introduction to Global Asian Studies	3
GLAS 210	Asian American Histories ^a	3
GLAS 300	Global Asia in Chicago	3
Selectives		
Select 24 additional hours of GLAS course work from the lists below.		24
No more than 12 hours can come from a single thematic list.		
At least 15 hours must be at or above the 200 level.		
At least one course must be at the 400 level (excluding GLAS 495).		
One upper-level/advanced Asian language course beyond the basic language sequence (i.e., beyond 104) can count toward the major (in the category Culture and Arts).		
No more than three GLAS 105 courses (each on different topics) can count toward the major.		
Total Hours		33

Code	Title	Hours
Empire, Migration, and Diaspora ^b		
GLAS 120	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 217	Introduction to Filipino American Studies	3
GLAS 223	Global Hip-hop and Asian Diasporas	3
GLAS 224	Archaeology of Mainland Southeast Asia	3
GLAS 228	Sociology of Asia and Asian Americans	3

GLAS 230	Cultural Politics of Asian American Food	3
GLAS 242	Introduction to Arab American Studies	3
GLAS 244	Arab and Asian Connections in the U.S. and Globally	3
GLAS 248	Afro Asian Solidarities	3
GLAS 255	Introduction to Middle East and Muslim Feminisms	3
GLAS 264	The Pacific Rim in Modern History	3
GLAS 270	Topics in Asian Cultures and Societies	3
GLAS 290	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	1-3
GLAS 390	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 394	Special Topics in Asian Studies	3
GLAS 428	Asian/Asian American Women in the Global Economy	3
GLAS 437	The Indian Ocean World: Contact, Commerce, Culture	3
GLAS 458	Asian America and Transnational Feminism	3
GLAS 465	Asian Diasporas in Latin America	3
GLAS 479	Culture and Colonialism in South Asia	3
GLAS 490	Advanced Topics in Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 494	Advanced Topics in Asian Studies	3
Culture and the Arts ^b		
GLAS 105	Asian and/or Asian American Studies Seminar	1
GLAS 123	Introduction to Asian American Literature	3
GLAS 125	Introduction to the Art and Architecture of Asia	3
GLAS 209	Advanced Chinese Language and Culture	3
GLAS 219	Art and Architecture of East Asia	3
GLAS 220	Buddhist Art and Architecture	3
GLAS 223	Global Hip-hop and Asian Diasporas	3
GLAS 229	Introduction to Asian Film	3
GLAS 230	Cultural Politics of Asian American Food	3
GLAS 263	Asian American Gender and Sexual Diversity	3
GLAS 270	Topics in Asian Cultures and Societies	3
GLAS 278	Topics in the Art, Architecture and Visual Culture of Asia	3
GLAS 290	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	1-3
GLAS 328	Asian American Literature	3
GLAS 390	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 394	Special Topics in Asian Studies	3
GLAS 441	Topics in Asian American Literature and Culture	3

GLAS 463	Politics of Gender and Sexuality in Asian America	3
GLAS 471	Topics in Asian Art and Architecture	3
GLAS 490	Advanced Topics in Asian American Studies	3
Society, Politics, and the State ^b		
GLAS 109	East Asian Civilization: Ancient China	3
GLAS 120	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 200	Gandhi: The History and Practice of Nonviolence	3
GLAS 201	Asian Markets, Corporations, and Social Justice	3
GLAS 207	Asian Cities: Urban Cultures of the Global South	3
GLAS 228	Sociology of Asia and Asian Americans	3
GLAS 231	Introduction to Chinese Politics	3
GLAS 232	Politics in Korea	3
GLAS 250	Critical Issues in Community Engagement	3
GLAS 270	Topics in Asian Cultures and Societies	3
GLAS 271	Late Imperial China	3
GLAS 272	China Since 1911	3
GLAS 275	History of South Asia to 1857	3
GLAS 276	Modern South Asia	3
GLAS 279	South Asian Cultures and Societies	3
GLAS 290	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	1-3
GLAS 390	Special Topics in Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 394	Special Topics in Asian Studies	3
GLAS 428	Asian/Asian American Women in the Global Economy	3
GLAS 438	Women in South Asian History	3
GLAS 458	Asian America and Transnational Feminism	3
GLAS 465	Asian Diasporas in Latin America	3
GLAS 473	Topics in East Asian History	3
GLAS 479	Culture and Colonialism in South Asia	3
GLAS 490	Advanced Topics in Asian American Studies	3
GLAS 494	Advanced Topics in Asian Studies	3

a GLAS 210 fulfills the *Writing in the Discipline* requirement.

b Students should consult General Education section of the catalog to determine which of these courses are approved General Education courses.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall Semester		
ENGL 160	Academic Writing I: Writing in Academic and Public Contexts	3
GLAS 100	Introduction to Global Asian Studies	3
Quantitative Reasoning course		5
Foreign Language		4
Hours		15

Spring Semester		
ENGL 161	Academic Writing II: Writing for Inquiry and Research	3
GLAS Major Elective ^a		3
Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
Hours		16

Second Year		
Fall Semester		
GLAS 210	Asian American Histories ^b	3
Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3-5
Hours		16-18

Spring Semester		
GLAS Major Elective ^a		3
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Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3-5
Hours		13-15

Third Year		
Fall Semester		
GLAS Major Elective (200 level or above) ^a		3
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General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
Electives		3
Hours		15

Spring Semester		
GLAS 300	Global Asia in Chicago	3
General Education Requirement course		3
Electives		9
Hours		15

Fourth Year		
Fall Semester		
GLAS Major Elective (200 level or above) ^a		3
GLAS Major Elective (400 level)		3
Electives		9
Hours		15

Spring Semester		
GLAS Major Elective (200 level or above) ^a		3
Electives		12
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

a Students are required to complete 24 hours of GLAS electives for the major, chosen from three thematic lists. No more than 12 hours may come from a single thematic list. At least three hours must be at the 400 level (excluding GLAS 495), and an additional 12 hours must be at the 200 level or above.

b GLAS 210 satisfies the *Writing-in-the-Discipline* requirement.