

ASIAN STUDIES (ASST)

See Course Description Symbols and Terms (<https://catalog.csuchico.edu/academic-standards-policies/course-description-symbols-terms/>) for an explanation of course description terminology and symbols, the course numbering system, and course credit units.

ASST 110W Introduction to Asian Studies (W) 3 Units GE, W

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course offers students an interdisciplinary introduction to issues and methods relevant in the fields of Asian and Asian American Studies. This course uses films focusing on the life of an ordinary family as a starting point for examining lived experiences and social struggles of Asians and Asian Americans since the twentieth century. Also important in our analysis is how concepts such as race, ethnicity, and national identity were articulated in their relations to class and gender as these groups navigated their lives through political, social, and cultural changes and expectations. 3 hours lecture. (021511)

General Education: Ethnic Studies (F)

Cross listing(s): AAST 110W

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division; Writing Course

ASST 198 Special Topics 1-3 Units

Prerequisite: Department permission.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is for special topics. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours lecture. (000992)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course more than once

Course Attributes: Lower Division

ASST 200 Asia Today and Tomorrow 3 Units GC, GE

Typically Offered: Spring only

Asian civilizations have endured far longer than the societies of Europe and North America. Asia was the center of global trade for thousands of years and remains a major hub for the movement of people, religions, philosophies, goods, and capital. Students in this course learn about the millennial societies and cultures of East and Southeast Asia. Students gain a glimpse into the lives and works of billions of people on the largest continent in the world and the transformations that have shaped Asia today and into the future, such as rise and fall of Angkor Wat, practices of shamanism, Colonialism, the Spice Trade, and Opium, Anime and Kawaii culture, and the global superpower of Communist China. 3 hours lecture. (000523)

General Education: Social Sciences (D)

Cross listing(s): ANTH 200

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division; Global Cultures

ASST 389 Internship in Asian Studies 1-3 Units

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

3 hours lecture. (000996)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 15 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

ASST 398 Special Topics 1-3 Units

Prerequisite: Department permission.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is for special topics. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours supervision. (000997)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course more than once

Course Attributes: Upper Division

ASST 399 Special Problems 1-3 Units

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is an independent study of special problems. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 9 hours supervision. (000998)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

ASST 399H Honors in Asian Studies 3 Units

Prerequisite: Permission of the Asian Studies Coordinator.

Typically Offered: Inquire at department

This is an independent study course in which honors in the major students work closely under the guidance of a faculty mentor. Honors students define an original research problem, complete a literature review, conduct research, and write an analytical research paper. Normally, the paper is also presented at a university-wide research colloquium. 9 hours supervision. (021233)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

ASST 474 Modern Korea 3 Units

This course examines Korean history from the opening of Korea in 1876 to the present. Main topics include the decline of the chosen dynasty, the rise of nationalism, the colonial experience (1910-1945), the liberation and division (1945-1948), the Korean War (1950-1953), and industrialization and democratization in the postwar era. Particular attention is devoted to how these events have shaped the historical trajectory of modern Korea as well as the everyday lives of people. 3 hours seminar. (021782)

Cross listing(s): HIST 474

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 9 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

ASST 490W Capstone Course (W) 3 Units W, GW

Prerequisite: GE Written Communication (A2) requirement, ASST 110W, RELS 300W.

Typically Offered: Spring only

This variable-content capstone seminar is devoted to the critical reading, evaluation, and discussion of major recent scholarship on Asia. Works are selected from a variety of disciplinary perspectives with an effort to cover several Asian areas (Japan, China, Southeast Asia, South Asia) and to deal with critical issues of the day. Students will lead discussions, evaluate arguments, and write critical essays at a level appropriate to graduating seniors with a major in Asian Studies. Required seminar for majors. 3 hours seminar. (000999)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division; Writing Course; Graduation Writing Assessment

ASST 499H Honors in Asian Studies

3 Units

Prerequisite: Admission to the Honors in the Major program.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Honors candidates will write a senior thesis over two semesters on an approved topic related to Asia. 9 hours supervision. (001000)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division