

# CHINESE MINOR

Globally, China occupies a prominent position in many respects. With 1.4 billion inhabitants, it is the most populous country in the world. It spans five time zones, has a surface area roughly the size of the United States, and its economy is projected to become the world's largest before the end of this decade. China is the place of origin of one of the oldest cultural traditions in the world, with written records dating back more than three thousand years. Many elements of the traditional cultures of neighboring East Asian countries (such as Vietnam, Korea, and Japan) can be traced back to China. Finally, rapid economic development over the past few decades has bolstered China's political and military aspirations to become a global superpower. A knowledge of Chinese language and culture will enable students to explore the long and complex history of China and better understand China's role in the 21st century.

The Chinese program offers an extensive array of courses in the Chinese (Mandarin) language, premodern and modern Chinese and Sinophone literature, history, philosophy, society, and film. This allows students to satisfy foreign language requirements, major or minor in Chinese, or complete a Chinese track M.A. degree. Students benefit from one of the strongest Chinese language curriculum programs in the country and extensive resources, including advanced courses in Chinese, language-intensive study abroad opportunities, Chinese library resources, the Chinese Undergraduate Student Association, the Chinese Living-Learning Residential Community, the student-led Duke-UNC China Leadership Summit, and the Chinese Language Table.

## Requirements





In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must:

- take at least nine hours of their minor "core" requirements at UNC-Chapel Hill
- earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.000 in the minor core requirements. Some programs may require higher standards for minor or specific courses.

For more information, please consult the degree requirements section of the catalog (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/>).







The undergraduate minor in Chinese consists of five courses.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
At least three courses must be language courses beyond CHIN 203, 9-10 chosen from among the following:		
CHIN 204	Intermediate Chinese II	
CHIN 212	 Intermediate Written Chinese	
CHIN 305	Advanced Chinese I	
CHIN 306	Advanced Chinese II	
CHIN 313	Advanced Written Chinese	
CHIN 407	 Readings in Modern Chinese I	
CHIN 408	 Readings in Modern Chinese II	
CHIN 441	 Chinese-English Translation and Interpreting	
CHIN 443	Business Communication in Chinese	
CHIN 445	Chinese Tea Culture and Its Changing Landscape	

CHIN 490	Topics in Chinese Literature and Language
CHIN 510	 Introduction to Classical Chinese
CHIN 520	 Stay Tuned to China
CHIN 521	Chinese History in Chinese
CHIN 525	 Ancient Philosophers and Their Modern Reincarnation
CHIN 590	Advanced Topics in Chinese Literature and Language
CHIN 624	Chinese Internet Literature
CHIN 631	 Writing Chinese (in) America: Advanced Studies of a Foreign Literature from United States Homeland

The other two courses may be chosen from the list above or from among the following: 6

ASIA 52	 First-Year Seminar: Food in Chinese Culture <sup>1</sup>
ASIA 55	 First-Year Seminar: Kung-Fu: The Concept of Heroism in Chinese Culture <sup>1</sup>
ASIA/WGST 56	 First-Year Seminar: Writing Women in Modern China <sup>1, H</sup>
ASIA 65	 First-Year Seminar: Philosophy on Bamboo: Rethinking Early Chinese Thought <sup>1</sup>
ASIA 75	 First-Year Seminar: Love in China
CHIN 150	 Introduction to Chinese Civilization
CHIN/CMPL 238	 From Martial Arts to Street Dance: Rebellion with Chinese Characteristics
CHIN 242	 Chinese Qin Music
CHIN 244	Introduction to Modern Chinese Culture through Cinema
CHIN/CMPL 247	 Indigenous Spiritualities in Literatures of China and Taiwan <sup>H</sup>
CHIN 252	 Introduction to Chinese Culture through Narrative
CHIN 253	 Chinese Language and Society
CHIN 255	 Bandit or Hero: Outlawry in Chinese Literature and Films
CHIN/HIST 265	 Imperial China in Global Objects
CHIN 346	 History as Fiction or Fiction as History? Early Chinese History in Film and Literature
CHIN 356	 Chinese Environmental Literature
CHIN 361	 Chinese Traditional Theater
CHIN 367	 Illustration and the Animation of Text
CHIN/HIST 439	 Environmental China: Premodern Political Ecology
ASIA 453	Global Shangri-La: Tibet in the Modern World
CHIN 463	 Narrative Ethics in Modern China
CHIN 464	 The City in Modern Chinese Literature and Film
CHIN 475	 Confucianism: Origin, History, and Contemporary Relevance

CHIN 476	 Daoism: Origin, History, and Contemporary Relevance
CHIN/CMPL/ WGST 480	 Queering China
CHIN 545	 Chinese Science Fiction
CHIN 551	 Chinese Poetry in Translation
CHIN 552	 Chinese Prose in Translation
CHIN 562	 Contemporary Chinese Urban Culture and Arts
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15-16</b>

H Honors version available. An honors course fulfills the same requirements as the nonhonors version of that course. Enrollment and GPA restrictions may apply.

<sup>1</sup> No more than one first-year seminar may be counted toward the minor.

Approved language courses taken in UNC–Chapel Hill-sponsored study abroad programs may count in the minor. However, study abroad courses may not substitute for culture courses, which must be taken in the Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies.

Placement credit (PL) may not be used to meet minor requirements.

See the program page here (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-chinese-concentration/>) for Special Opportunities.

## Department Programs

### Majors

- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–Interdisciplinary Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-general-concentration/>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–Arab Cultures Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-arab-cultures-concentration/>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–Chinese Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-chinese-concentration/>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–Japanese Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-japanese-concentration/>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–Korean Studies Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-korean-concentration/>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A.–South Asian Studies Concentration (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-south-asian-studies-concentration/>)

### Minors

- Arabic Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/arabic-minor/>)
- Asian Studies Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-minor/>)
- Chinese Minor (p. 1)
- Modern Hebrew Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/modern-hebrew-minor/>)

- Hindi-Urdu Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/hindi-urdu-minor/>)
- Japanese Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/japanese-minor/>)
- Korean Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/korean-minor/>)
- Middle Eastern Languages Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/middle-eastern-languages-minor/>)
- Persian Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/persian-minor/>)
- Southeast Asian Studies Minor (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/southeast-asian-studies-minor/>)

### Graduate Programs

- M.A. in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (<https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/asian-studies/>)

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