

KOREAN MINOR

Korea occupies a place of significant geopolitical, economic, and cultural importance in the world. It is a unique country where five thousand years of history and tradition coexist with the most advanced technological and economic development. It is also a place where political and ideological differences divide the country into two Koreas (Republic of Korea, or South Korea, and Democratic Republic of Korea, or North Korea) that maintain one of the world's most fortified military zones. The Korean peninsula is home to over 72 million ethnic Koreans (North and South combined) and over 1.3 million recent migrants from all over the world. Approximately 7 million ethnic Koreans have migrated to other countries and have established diasporic communities in over 150 countries. The Korean language is spoken by over 75 million people around the world and ranks 13th among the most used languages in the world.











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 Korean consists of four courses.


Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
Three courses are language courses beyond KOR 203 (the first semester of Intermediate Korean), chosen from:		9-10
KOR 204	Intermediate Korean II	
KOR 305	Advanced Korean I	
KOR 306	 Advanced Korean II	
KOR 407	 Modern Korean Literature and Culture	
KOR 408	 Changes and Continuities in Korean History	
KOR 409	 Korean Through Current Affairs	
KOR 490	Topics in Korean Language and Literature	
The fourth course must be chosen from among the following courses:		3
ASIA 72	 First-Year Seminar: Transnational Korea: Literature, Film, and Popular Culture	
KOR 150	 History, Memory, and Reality in Contemporary Korea	
KOR 151	 Education and Social Changes in Contemporary Korea	
KOR/CMPL 232	 Imagining the City in Modern Korea: Text, Image, Space	
KOR/CMPL/WGST 237	 Rebel, Lover, Martyr: Gender and Sexuality in North and South Korean Screen Cultures	
KOR 327	 Korean Diasporas	


KOR 346/CMPL 246  Body Politics in Modern Korean Literature ^H


KOR 407  Modern Korean Literature and Culture

KOR 408  Changes and Continuities in Korean History

KOR 409  Korean Through Current Affairs

ASIA 427/CMPL 527/PWAD 427  Cold War Culture in East Asia: Transnational and Intermedial Connections

KOR 447/CMPL 547  Documenting Diasporas: Korean Diasporas in Films and Documentaries

ASIA/ECON 469  Asian Economic Systems

KOR 490 Topics in Korean Language and Literature

Total Hours **12-13**

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

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-general-concentration/#opportunities>) 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 (<https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/chinese-minor/>)
- 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 (p. 1)
- 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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