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.

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<td>Core Requirements</td>
<td>Three courses are language courses beyond KOR 203 (the first semester of Intermediate Korean), chosen from:</td>
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<td>KOR 204</td>
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The fourth course must be chosen from among the following courses:

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<td>Rebel, Lover, Martyr: Gender and Sexuality in North and South Korean Screen Cultures</td>
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<td>Korean Diasporas</td>
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Total Hours 12-13

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/#opportunitiestext) 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/)

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/)
Korean 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/)

Graduate Programs

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

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