EAST ASIAN AREA STUDIES, MINOR

East Asian Area Studies focuses on East Asia as a region of the world and human experience, and provides an integrated curriculum drawing on the approaches of the social sciences and the humanities. The program requires relevant courses in areas including history, international relations, political science, sociology, legal studies, and East Asian arts and cultures, while maintaining high standards in language study.

For more information: https://ealc.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/minor (https://ealc.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/minor/)

With intensive language courses (4 course units) the Minor will require 8 course units.

Code	Title	Course Units
Minor Requirements		
Language Requirement		
Select a minimum of 2 course units in one language: Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Mongolian, or Vietnamese		2
ALAN 0100 and above		
CHIN 0100 and above, except for CHIN 0105, 0205, 0305, 0405, 0705, 0805		
JPAN 0100 and above, except for JPAN 0103, 0105		
KORN 0100 and above, except for KORN 0103, 0105		
VIET 0100 and above		
Gateway Course		
Select 1 course unit in Introduction to China, Japan or Korea:		1
EALC 0020	Introduction to East Asia: China	
EALC 0040	Introduction to East Asia: Japan	
EALC 0060	Introduction to East Asia: Korea	
Electives		
Select a minimum of 3 course units of Electives in consultation with the Major Adviser.		3
Attribute AEAJ - Japanese (https://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/aeaj/)		
Attribute AEAK - Korean (https://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/aeak/)		
Attribute AEAN - Chinese (https://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/aean/)		
Attribute AETR - Transnational or Comparative East Asia (https://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/aetr/)		
Total Course Units		**6**

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2026 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.