Korean Courses (Asian and Slavic Languages and Literatures) (KORE)

This is a list of all Korean studies courses. For more information, see Asian and Slavic Languages and Literatures.

KORE:1000 First-Year Seminar 1 s.h.
Small discussion class taught by a faculty member; topics chosen by instructor; may include outside activities (e.g., films, lectures, performances, readings, visits to research facilities, field trips). Requirements: first-semester standing.

KORE:1051 Korean for Travel and Business 2 s.h.
Introduction to basic communication skills and Korean culture; Korean alphabet (Hangeul), survival Korean expressions, cultural etiquette and norms; speaking, comprehension, reading, and writing in basic Korean; Korean business culture; classroom activities and assignments based on authentic material.

KORE:1052 Korean for Travel and Business: Second Semester 2 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:1051; introduction to basic communication skills and Korean culture which are essential for communicating with Korean people while traveling or doing business; basic Korean expressions, cultural etiquette, and norms; speaking, comprehension, reading, and writing in basic Korean; Korean business culture; classroom activities and homework assignments based on authentic material. Requirements: some familiarity with Korean is needed, but completion of specific course work in Korean is not required.

KORE:1101 First-Year Korean: First Semester 4 s.h.
Modern Korean; speaking, listening, reading, writing. Offered fall semesters. GE: World Languages First Level Proficiency.

KORE:1102 First-Year Korean: Second Semester 4 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:1101. Offered spring semesters. Prerequisites: KORE:1101. GE: World Languages First Level Proficiency.

KORE:1135 Korean Language in Culture and Society 3 s.h.
Introduction to various sociolinguistic phenomena in Korean society; general linguistic characteristics of Korean; Confucianism and honorifics; language changes in North and South Korea; gender differences and generation differences; Korean contacts with English, Chinese, Japanese, others. Taught in English.

KORE:1500 Asian Humanities: Korea 3 s.h.
Introduction to most representative cultural heritages in Korean humanities tradition throughout 4,500 years of Korean history; English translations of famous works in Korean traditional literature, performing and visual arts, philosophy; understanding the essence of traditional Korean culture through exposure to various aspects of Korean humanities; how Korean traditional culture is reflected in contemporary pop culture; readings and discussions taught in English, video materials with English subtitles.

KORE:2101 Second-Year Korean: First Semester 4 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:1102; conversation and readings in intermediate Korean language; Korean culture. Prerequisites: KORE:1102. GE: World Languages Second Level Proficiency.

KORE:2102 Second-Year Korean: Second Semester 4 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:2101. Prerequisites: KORE:2101. GE: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency.

KORE:3050 Film Culture in Korea 3 s.h.
Survey of films produced during the last 100 years in South Korea; students examine representative films, directors, and genres from the inception of the industry in the colonial era through recent years in order to better understand the resurgence of Korean films in recent years and the critical acclaim that they received domestically and globally; students gain insights into the larger historical, social, and cultural contexts that informed and shaped production and consumption of films through screening and in-depth discussions of the films.

KORE:3060 Controversies in Contemporary Korea 3 s.h.
Examination of four contemporary controversies in Korea (South and North) in order to provide a broad understanding of the very recent history of the birthplace of the Korean Wave and the Miracle on the Han River—comfort women, Japanese history textbook controversy, Dokdo, and collaboration; globalization, economic growth, and the Korean Wave (Hallyu); North Korea and the Axis of Evil; and education fever in South Korea.

KORE:3101 Third-Year Korean: First Semester 3 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:2102; advanced intermediate Korean—conversation and grammar skills beyond basic intermediate level; vocabulary expansion with increasingly complex, abstract concepts; how to advance one’s opinion and discuss thoughts, ideas. Prerequisites: KORE:2102.

KORE:3102 Third-Year Korean: Second Semester 3 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:3101; conversation and grammar skills beyond basic intermediate level; writing skills for formal occasions; advanced discussion skills—how to advance one’s opinion and share thoughts and ideas; traditional and modern Korean culture. Prerequisites: KORE:3101.

KORE:4000 Fourth Year Korean: First Semester 3 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:3102; development of intermediate high to advanced-level Korean; enlarging vocabulary, exploring Korean sentence structures, reading various types of texts, listening to authentic Korean materials; Korean society and culture; content-based learning methodology. Prerequisites: KORE:3102.

KORE:4001 Fourth Year Korean: Second Semester 3 s.h.
Continuation of KORE:4000; development of intermediate high to advanced-level Korean speaking ability; enlarging vocabulary, exploring Korean sentence structures, reading various types of texts, and listening to authentic Korean materials; Korean society and culture; materials provided to prepare for Korean standardized tests; content-based learning methodology. Prerequisites: KORE:3102.

KORE:4050 Two Koreas: Political Economy of Regional Rivalry 3 s.h.
Introduction to the Korean peninsula; focus on nature of North and South Korean regional rivalry and its global impacts; theoretical and historical explanations; various security issues including North Korean nuclear threat, military alliances, and reunification prospects; economic issues including differential growth paths, South Korea’s rapid growth, and recent economic woes in both Koreas. Same as POLI:4050.

KORE:4151 Selected Readings in Korean I 3 s.h.
Korean literary works and various readings related to Korean history, culture, and society; expansion of Korean literacy and cultural knowledge through readings; advanced Korean texts.
KORE:4152 Selected Readings in Korean II 3 s.h.
Reading various genres of more advanced texts than those covered in KORE:4150; short stories, poetry, and essays familiar with educated Korean people; texts related to history and current events (e.g., articles from newspapers or magazines); texts written in hangul (Korean characters) and hanja (Chinese characters); Korean literature, history, and culture. Prerequisites: KORE:3102.

KORE:5102 Individual Korean for Advanced Students arr.
Korea's modern/traditional culture, history, and current social issues; reading, translating authentic articles. Prerequisites: KORE:3102.