Korean Studies, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in Korean studies requires a minimum of 15 s.h., with a minimum of 9 s.h. completed at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass.

A maximum of 6 s.h. in transfer coursework may be selected in approved study abroad coursework. See "Study Abroad" below for details.

Required Courses

Course # | Title | Hours
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One of these:
KORE:1135 | Korean Language and Contemporary Pop Culture | 3
KORE:3100/ LING:3101 | Introduction to Korean Linguistics | 3
Two of these:
KORE:3101 | Third-Year Korean: First Semester | 3
KORE:3102 | Third-Year Korean: Second Semester | 3
KORE:4000 | Fourth Year Korean: First Semester | 3
KORE:4001 | Fourth Year Korean: Second Semester | 3

Electives

Students proficient through upper-level Korean language courses (more advanced than third-year Korean or with a Test of Proficiency in Korean [TOPIK] level of 3 or higher) and who have an approved waiver from the Korean program coordinator may substitute 6 s.h. of other coursework from the list below instead of completing the Korean language requirement.

Students proficient through upper-level Korean language courses who do not have a waiver must complete a minimum of 3 s.h. in a related area elective. They can select a course from the list below or consult with the Korean program coordinator for approval to take a different elective course.

All other students select 6 s.h. from the following (consult the Korean program coordinator for options involving study abroad or waivers).

Course # | Title | Hours
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KORE:1135 | Korean Language and Contemporary Pop Culture (if not already taken) | 3
KORE:1670/ ASIA:1670/ RELS:1670 | Korea in the World | 3
KORE:3070 | Topics in Korean Studies | 3
KORE:3100/ LING:3101 | Introduction to Korean Linguistics (if not already taken) | 3
KORE:3200 | Introduction to Korean-English Translation | 3
KORE:5102 | Individual Korean for Advanced Students (with instructor approval) | arr.
HIST:1607/ ASIA:1607 | Civilizations of Asia: Korea | 3-4
HIST:2687/ ASIA:2887 | Perspectives on Korea | 3
HIST:3685/ ASIA:3685 | Modern Korean History | 3
Related elective (approval required) | 3
One or two Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA) Korean e-school courses (delivered through video conferencing from other Big Ten institutions) | 
Study abroad options (see "Study Abroad" below) | arr.

Study Abroad

Students may select a maximum of 6 s.h. (one or two courses per year) from courses offered by Ewha Womans University, Korea University, or other universities in South Korea eligible for credit transfer. Consult the Korean program coordinator before undertaking study abroad work.

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course # | Title | Hours
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Academic Career
Any Semester
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First Year
Fall
KORE:1101 | First-Year Korean: First Semester a, b | 4

Spring
KORE:1102 | First-Year Korean: Second Semester a, b | 4

Second Year
Fall
KORE:2101 | Second-Year Korean: First Semester a, b | 4
KORE:3100 or KORE:1135  Introduction to Korean Linguistics or Korean Language and Contemporary Pop Culture  3

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**Spring**
KORE:2102  Second-Year Korean: Second Semester  a, b  4

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**Third Year**

**Fall**
Minor: upper-level Korean language course  c  3

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**Spring**
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**Fourth Year**

**Fall**
Minor: Korean minor elective  d  3

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**Spring**
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**Total Hours**  31

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a This course is a prerequisite for the required minor courses.
b Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or oral interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin coursework at that level and will not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.
c Choose from: KORE:3101, KORE:3102, KORE:4000, or KORE:4001.
d See General Catalog or talk with your advisor for a list of possible course options that can be used to fulfill this requirement.