

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sean Rafferty, Senate Chair

FROM: Havidán Rodríguez, President

DATE: April 28, 2021

SUBJECT: Senate Bill Approval

I am pleased to approve the following Senate Bill, which was recommended following approval by the University Senate at its meeting of April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Senate Bill 2021-07:

**PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A MINOR IN EAST ASIAN STUDIES**

Approved:  \_\_\_\_\_

Havidán Rodríguez, President

**UNIVERSITY SENATE**

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY  
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Introduced by: Undergraduate Academic Council

Date: April 21, 2021

**Proposal to Establish an East Asian Studies Minor**

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That the University Senate approves the attached program proposal as submitted by the Department of East Asian Studies and approved by UAC
2. That this takes effect immediately.
3. That this proposal be forwarded to President Havidán Rodríguez for approval.

**Department of East Asian Studies**  
**Proposal for the Creation of a Minor in East Asian Studies**

**Preamble**

The Department is seeking to create a minor that will provide UAlbany students with a way to add a substantive East Asian Studies experience to their experience as majors in other programs. It especially sees potential synergy with programs in the College of Emergency Management, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity, the Rockefeller College, and the School of Business.

The proposed requirements as described below seek to combine preliminary language study in one of the East Asian languages with substantive coursework in the history and culture of the region.

**Schematic Representation of Requirements and Explanation**

Required courses would total 20 credits and fall into three categories as follows:

Category	Credits	Course Selection
Language	5	EAC 101, EAJ 101, or EAK 101
LL Electives	6	Any relevant (EAC/EAJ/EAK) 100- or 200- courses
UL Electives*	9	Current 300- and 400-level courses or language courses with a prerequisite (e.g., EAC 102)

\* Students who opt to take another semester of their language would have that count in the advanced course check. At that point, they would also have the option of specializing and moving into the relevant culture-specific minor (CHI-MIN, JPN-MIN, or KOR-MIN).

**Proposed Bulletin Language**

**Requirements for the Minor in East Asian Studies**

A minimum of 20 graduation credits of which 5 must be A EAC 101, A EAJ 101, **OR** EAK 101. 6 credits must be earned in any A EAC, A EAJ, AEAK, or A EAS course at the 100- or 200-level. 9 credits must be earned in 300-level courses, 400-level courses, or department language courses with a prerequisite.

Note: No student may use a minor title that is the same as the title of the student's major. Students may not declare a double minor of East Asian Studies and Chinese Studies, Japanese Studies, or Korean Studies.