The Department of Modern Languages
The Minor in Chinese Studies

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Required total units: 57-60

Prerequisites
Intermediate-level proficiency in the Chinese language. This is equivalent to the completion of three courses (two at the 100-level and one at the 200-level), or placement or exemption based on Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or CMU internal placement test scores. In all cases, progress will be accelerated by study abroad, which is highly recommended for all minors. (Study abroad advisor - Dr. Yueming Yu, yyu@andrew.cmu.edu). Students with native or near-native proficiency in listening and speaking of the language prior to entering CMU should consult with the minor advisors for a different curriculum that may accelerate their completion of the requirement.

*Students may double count one course taken for the Chinese Studies minor that is also being used to fulfill the requirements of other majors, minors, and programs. This does not include double-counting with General Education requirements.

1. Core Courses in Chinese 42 units
Complete four courses.
82-232* Intermediate Chinese II (may be substituted by 82-235 or a 300-level Chinese course)
82-331 Reading into a New China I: Population, Youth, Marriage, & Housing
82-332 Reading into a New China II: Transportation, Education, Pop Culture, & Health
82-333** Chinese Language & Culture
*Students who place out of 82-232/82-235 must take a minimum of 9 additional units chosen from List A electives.
**Students must take this course for 12 units with the additional work in Chinese to fulfill the requirement. Students who take this course for 9 units prior to declaring their minor must register for 3 units of independent study later in their studies.

2. Chinese Studies and Interdisciplinary Electives 18 units
Complete two courses (18 units) from List A, or one course (9 units) from List A and one (9 units) from List B.

List A. Chinese Studies Electives
82-235* Fables, Legends and Stories from Ancient Chinese Civilization
82-334 Structure of Chinese
82-335 Selected Readings in Chinese
82-337 Mandarin Chinese for Oral Communication I
82-338 Mandarin Chinese for Oral Communication II
82-339 Business Language and Culture in China I
82-340 Business Language and Culture in China II
82-431 China and West
82-432** Chinese Popular Culture
Past Topics: A Game of Learning
82-433** Topics in Contemporary Culture of China
82-434** Studies in Chinese Traditions
Past Topics: Traditional Chinese Literature and Thought through Comic Books
82-435 Advanced Readings in Chinese
82-436 Introduction to Classical Chinese
82-439 Modern China through Literature
Past Topic: The Rise of Power: Chinese Society and Officialdom Literature
82-440** Studies in Chinese Literature & Culture
Past Topics: Chinese Puppetry Theater in the Social Context
Chinese Folk Performances
Into the World of Anomalies
Special Topics in Chinese (Independent studies)  
Undergraduate Internship  
Special Topics: Chinese Culture
Past Topics: Chinese Wisdoms  
Visions of China

* If students choose this course as one of the Chinese Studies Electives, then they must choose a course from List A and cannot choose a course from List B as the other elective.
** Students may repeat these courses with new topics.
*** Students should not choose this option if there are other ways to fulfill their elective requirements.

List B. Interdisciplinary Electives
This list is compiled from possibilities such as but not limited to the following. Students should consult OLR and their minor advisor for the most up to date interdisciplinary electives appropriate for the Chinese Studies curriculum. Course must have a Chinese component in order to be considered as Chinese Studies major/minor electives. Courses may be suggested to the minor advisor for approval as a substitute. Note that not all courses are offered each semester.

Architecture
48-351 Human Factors in architecture
48-551 Ethics and Decision Making in Architecture

Art
60-373 Aesthetics from a Global Viewpoint
60-399 Art History/Theory Independent Study

Business Administration
70-342 Managing across Cultures
70-365 International Trade and International Law
70-430 International Management

English
76-318 Communicating in the Global Marketplace
76-339 Advanced Studies in Film and Media
76-386 Language & Culture
76-387 Narrative & Argument

History
79-212 China and Its Neighbors
79-261 Chinese Culture & Society
79-262 Modern China
79-308 18th Century China through Literature
79-309 20th Century China through Film
79-310 Religions of China
79-375 China’s Environmental Crisis

Modern Languages
82-137 Chinese Calligraphy: Culture and Skills
82-138 Comparative China
Past Topic: Perceptions through YouTube and TikTok
82-230 Topics in Cultural Comparison
Past Topic: The Great Divergence Debate in Chinese Economic History
82-234 Topics in Chinese History
Past Topics: China in the Age of Reform: 1978-Present China and the West
82-237  Topics in Traditional China
     Past Topic: China’s Imperial Traditions
82-238  Topics in Chinese Culture
     Past Topic: Gender & Sexuality in China
82-180  Bilingual & Bicultural Experiences in the US
82-198  Research Training
82-280  Learning about Language Learning
82-281  Tutoring for Community Outreach
82-282  Community Service Learning
82-283  Language Diversity and Cultural Identity
82-284  Multi-Cultural Pittsburgh
82-285  Podcasting: Language & Culture Through Storytelling
82-286  Understanding Cultural Complexities
82-358  Literacies Across Language and Culture
82-383  Second Language Acquisition: Theories and Research
82-388  Understanding Second Language Fluency
82-480  Social and Cognitive Aspects of Bilingualism

Institute for Politics and Strategy
84-310  International Political Economy
84-326  Theories of International Relations (currently listed on our sheets as 88-326)
84-362  Diplomacy and Statecraft
84-369  Decision Science for International Relations
84-370  Global Nuclear Politics
84-380  Grand Strategy in the United States
84-388  Concepts of War and Cyber War
84-405  The Future of Warfare

Philosophy
80-180  The Nature of Language
80-276  Philosophy of Religion
80-280  Linguistic Analysis
80-380  Philosophy of Language

Psychology
85-375  Cross Cultural Psychology
85-421  Language and Thought

Social and Decision Sciences
84-310  International Political Economy
84-326  Theories of International Relations
88-357  Comparative Foreign Policy: China, Russia and the US
84-362  Diplomacy and Statecraft
84-369  Decision Science for International Relations
84-370  Global Nuclear Politics
84-380  Grand Strategy in the United States
84-384  Conflict and Conflict Resolution in International Relations
84-388  Concepts of War and Cyber War
84-391  Technology and Economic Growth
84-405  The Future of Warfare
84-408  Attitudes: The Media and Conflict in International Relations
84-415  Global Competitiveness: Firms, Nations, and Technological Change
84-411  The Rise of the Asian Economies