ASIAN STUDIES

Learning Outcomes

1. **Knowledge about Asia.** Graduates will demonstrate (a) an integrated understanding of the history of and current developments in theories and methods of studying Asia, (b) the ability to use such theories and methods in their research and/or practice, and (c) substantial knowledge concerning their area of specialization concerning Asia.

2. **Critical Thinking.** Graduates will demonstrate (a) critical thinking skills in the evaluation and critique of research in their specific area of specialization, (b) the ability to identify questions and solve issues in scholarly and professional environments, and (c) competence in formulating one's own scholarly opinions based on the integration of knowledge from diverse sources.

3. **Communication.** Graduates will demonstrate the ability to (a) communicate effectively in scholarly and professional environments, (b) defend their ideas to others in research and practice, and (c) disseminate their knowledge and skills to enhance awareness to groups beyond their areas of specialization.

4. **Research Skills.** Students will demonstrate the ability to (a) critically analyze and integrate diverse research findings (b) systematically identify and frame research questions, design a research question, analyze the resulting data, and draw appropriate and interesting conclusions that contribute to current scholarly debates in their fields, and (c) organize their findings in written format, and/or present the findings in academic presentations or professional meetings.

5. **Diversity and Ethical Considerations.** Students will demonstrate (a) an awareness of, and ability to work professionally with diverse individuals, groups, and communities, who represent various cultural and personal backgrounds and characteristics, (b) knowledge and application of ethical principles related to the responsible conduct of research, as well as to professional activities with individuals, groups, and organizations.