

KOREAN LANGUAGE, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

The Korean Language Minor is intended to provide students with a good working knowledge of the Korean language, culture, and society in order to broaden their horizons and sharpen their awareness of Korea in this era of internationalism and globalization. Students undertake two to three years of language study (or equivalent); education abroad can be included.

What is Korean Language?

The Korean program provides students with an opportunity to concentrate on acquiring expertise in an important modern language and its culture. Giving students a strong working knowledge of the Korean language and understanding of Korean culture, the program can help prepare students for work in contexts where the language and culture are pertinent, to live and work in Korea as informed and capable individuals equipped with appropriate intercultural skills and awareness, or for graduate study in Korea-related fields. Graduates may work in government service, domestic and foreign offices, or international agencies. Many go on to teach English in Korea or to do translation work. Employment may also be available with trade organizations, international banking houses, or U.S. companies abroad. Domestic and multinational companies are increasingly seeking employees with backgrounds in multicultural studies as a way of dealing with the global market.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are interested in Korean language, culture, history, or society.
- You want to live or work in Korea.
- You are aiming for a career involving travel to Korea and interaction with native speakers of Korean.

Program Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Requirements for the Minor	18

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (<https://senate.psu.edu/students/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/>). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
<i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
KOR 2	Level One Korean B	4
KOR 3	Level Two Korean A	4
Additional Courses		
<i>Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
Select 4 credits of the following:		4
KOR 110	Level Two Korean B	

KOR 296	Independent Studies	
KOR 299	Foreign Studies	
Select 6 credits of the following:		6
ASIA 499	Foreign Studies	
KOR 401	Level 3 Korean A	
KOR 402	Level 3 Korean B	
KOR 424	Transnational Korean Literature	
KOR 425	Global Korean Cinema	
KOR 496	Independent Studies	
KOR 498	Special Topics	
KOR 499	Foreign Studies	

Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/students/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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Use the Liberal Arts Meet the Academic Advisers web page (<https://la.psu.edu/student-services/academic-advising/meet-the-academic-advisers/>) to see the contact information for the specific adviser(s) of this program

Career Paths

A minor in Korean can be the basis for careers in the public sector (diplomatic corps, armed forces, intelligence, etc.), international law, business, public relations, journalism, travel and hospitality, careers requiring foreign travel or living abroad in Japan language specialist (translating, interpreting, teaching).

Careers

With a Korean minor you'll be prepared for a career in a wide range of industries and professions, including the public sector (diplomatic corps, armed forces, intelligence, etc.), international law, business, public relations, journalism, travel and hospitality, careers requiring foreign travel or living abroad in Asia, language specialist (translating, interpreting, teaching).

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

International Affairs programs, law, or the study of Asia in various disciplines, such as art history, literature, history, religion, philosophy, political science, and sociology.

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