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Student Learning Outcomes for the B.A. in Asian Religions

Students completing the B.A. Major in Asian Religions will be able to:

- appreciate the central place of religion in the cultures of Asia, paying particular attention to a student's specific region of expertise (e.g., China, Japan, Korea, or South or Southeast Asia) and principal tradition of focus (e.g., Buddhism, Confucianism, Hinduism);
- understand the crucial role of languages and written documents in the development of religious beliefs and practices;
- write clearly and effectively on both general and specialized topics in Asian religions, in ways that are sensitive to the complex dynamics and transformations of religion across Asian cultural boundaries;
- formulate research projects on Asian religions using primary and secondary source materials in an effective and critical fashion;
- demonstrate a working knowledge of one Asian language at an intermediate level;
- demonstrate basic exposure to the Buddhist argot of one specific Asian language (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Sanskrit, or a relevant Southeast Asian language).