ABOUT THE B.A. IN ASIAN STUDIES
Students who major in Asian Studies at St. John’s University undergo comprehensive and critical study of the cultural and linguistic development of the Asian world, both as a whole and as individual societies. The B.A. program combines language instruction with courses about the history, literature, philosophy, religion, society, and politics of Asian cultures.

The major sequence consists of 36 credits, including 12 credits of language courses in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, or a combination of all three. The 24 remaining credits are distributed among courses in Asian culture, arts, history, government, and society, which you may choose in consultation with an advisor.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A B.A. IN ASIAN STUDIES?
With knowledge of the history, arts, culture, and languages of Asia, you can enter just about any field. For professionals with a comprehensive understanding of the world’s fastest-growing region, special opportunities are available in the following fields:

- Arts and culture
- Business
- E-commerce
- Education
- Finance
- Foreign services
- Hospitality
- Media
- Public health
- Translation and interpretation

As a graduate with a bachelor’s degree in Asian Studies, you may go on to graduate and professional programs in the United States and abroad. Opportunities for further study and qualifications are available in such diverse fields as business, higher education, health care, law and libraries.

You can also gain a professional edge by combining your B.A. degree with graduate degrees in East Asian studies, business administration, and accounting through our combined degree programs.
MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR
The Institute for Asian Studies at St. John’s University was founded in 1959 with a mission to offer academic programs that foster, facilitate, and enhance a global multicultural and multilingual education. We aim to share knowledge and information about Asian countries’ economic progress and prosperity, as well as their long histories, cultural perspectives, and ideals.

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
In the second semester of the sophomore year, especially motivated students may apply for the combined B.A./M.A. in Asian Studies and East Asian Studies; the B.A./M.B.A. in Asian Studies and Business Administration; or the B.A./M.S. in Asian Studies and Accounting. Students may also double major or minor in another field.

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SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID
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