

Chinese Minor

Courses required for the first year: none
Courses recommended for the first year: First-year Chinese (CHNS 101-102) for beginners; more advanced students should take language courses at the level of placement (CHNS 201, 301)
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The Chinese minor

20 credits, including 2 Chinese language classes beyond CHNS 102; one additional upper-level CHNS language course or CHST course; two elective courses, including CHNS 102 and beyond; any CHST courses; HIST 252 (Epic China); HIST 350 (Modern China); POLS 318 (China in World Affairs)

Language Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
CHNS 101	First-year Chinese I		none	F	4
CHNS 102	First-year Chinese II		CHNS 101	SP	4
CHNS 201	Second-year Chinese I		CHNS 102 or placement	F	4
CHNS 202	Second-year Chinese II		CHNS 201 or placement	SP	4
CHNS 301	Third-year Chinese I		CHNS 202 or placement	F	4
CHNS 302	Third-year Chinese II		CHNS 301 or placement	SP	4

Supporting Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
CHST 240	Intro to Chinese Culture	PH, G	none	F, J, SP	4
CHST 340	Intro to Chinese Culture	PH, G	CHNS 102	F, J, SP	4
CHST 260	Intro to Chinese Films	PA, G	none	F, J, SP	4
HIST 252	Epic China	PP, G	only on international programs		4
HIST 350	Modern China in a Century of Revolution	PP, G	none		4
POLS 318	China in World Affairs	PS, G	only on international programs		4

*Fall, J term, Spring, Summer; see [Academic Calendar](#) for specific dates

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