

South Hadley High School
"A Tradition of Excellence"

We pledge to create a challenging and supportive academic community in which each member strives to develop his/her potential, to become a life-long learner, and to act as a responsible citizen in a diverse and global society.

Syllabus for Accelerated Asian Studies (Full Year)

Course Description / Prerequisites
Prerequisite: B level work in history and a strong interest in Asian Culture
<p>This course provides an overview of the rich and complex history and culture of China, Japan and Korea, India, and Southeast Asia. Students will examine these four Asian regions using both primary and secondary sources to supplement textbook readings. Assignments will include papers, including a substantial research paper, as well as individual and group projects. Students will establish meaningful comparisons among Asian cultures, examine the relationships between East and West, and complete one project placing a selection of Asian literature in its historical and cultural context. Tests and quizzes will also assess student progress. This course requires a substantial amount of high level reading and writing.</p>
Course Objectives / Outcomes / Expectations/ Topics
South Hadley is currently exploring exchange possibilities with China, and in the event of an exchange, the Asian Studies class will help host foreign students, and will be offered an opportunity to travel abroad.
South Hadley High School's Learning Expectations
<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ E1: Read, write and communicate effectively.❖ E3: Study and work productively both independently and in groups.❖ E4: Demonstrate personal, social and civic responsibility.❖ E5: Acquire, apply, integrate, analyze, and synthesize knowledge.❖ E8: Identify and apply appropriate technologies.❖ E9: Take responsibility for career and life choices.
Text and Resources Required
A History of Asia – 5 th edition – Murphey Japan: Its History and Culture – 4 th edition – Morton & Olenik Lost Names: Scenes from a Korean Boyhood - Kim
Course Assessments
All assessments are common.