

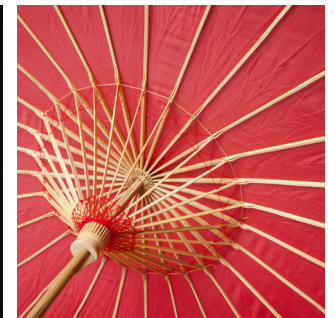
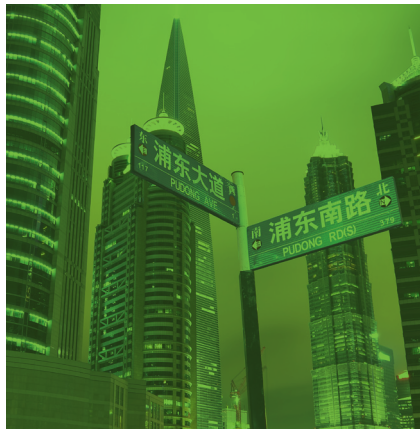
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BA

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Programme Overview

The 21st century has been dubbed the “Asian Century” because of the rapidly rising economic, cultural and political importance on the world stage of Asian countries, yet in Ireland our knowledge and understanding of this vast area is generally lacking.

UCC offers students a unique course to study and understand the diverse cultures of Asia, and also to study Asian languages.

Asian Studies examines the many different countries that constitute this vast continent, and while it will focus on East Asia, it also deals with countries from the Middle East to India and from the Himalayan States to Southeast Asia.

Asian countries are very different from each other. The course focuses on contemporary Asia, beginning with an overview of the entire region, including Asian diasporas worldwide. In subsequent years you will choose modules from a variety of disciplines focusing on Asia, allowing you to study particular countries or regions in more depth, and (optionally) to study one or more Asian languages.

Programme Structure

(may be subject to minor modifications)

YEAR 1

Overview of countries, languages, regions and cultures of Asia, from the Middle East to China, Korea and Japan.

YEARS 2 AND 3

You choose options from a wide range of available modules on different aspects of Asia offered by disciplines including:

- Chinese Studies
- Korean Studies
- Japanese Studies
- Religions and Global Diversity
- Philosophy
- Politics
- History

You can also choose to study one or more Asian languages:

- Chinese
- Korean
- Japanese

There are growing recruitment rates among employers for people with knowledge of an Asian language.

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

Demonstrate a critical understanding of a range of topics and academic approaches in Asian Studies

Where language is studied, comprehend and communicate in one or more Asian Languages

Asian Studies will also give you a unique perspective on your own culture, making you more self-aware and culturally sensitive; these are increasingly valuable attributes in a globalising world.



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MA

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Programme Overview

UCC's taught MA in Asian Studies is a unique course in Ireland, designed for graduates who are interested in studying aspects of societies, cultures, languages and the arts across the wider Asian region.

The MA in Asian Studies may be taken full time over one year or part time over two or three years from the date of first registration.

The course offers a range of taught modules relating to Asian Studies across several disciplines, with further options including up to 20 credits of language study (Chinese, Korean, Japanese).

The course is designed to meet the needs of a range of graduates with diverse interests in Asian Studies.

Programme Requirements

Students are required to take 90 credits; Part 1 comprising 60 credits of taught modules and Part 2 comprising 30 credits (Dissertation).

MODULES INCLUDE (but are in no way limited to the following):

AS6111	Contemporary Korean Society
AS6205	Religion, Society and Politics in Modern Japan
AS6307	Introduction to East Asian History
CH6015	Creative Industries in China
CH6105	Intercultural Management in the Asian Market
CH6314	Chinese Society in the Post-Mao Era
AS3005	Contemporary Japanese Society
AS3006	Readings in Contemporary Korean Culture and Current Affairs
AS3009	Korean Religious and Philosophical Traditions
AS2002	History of Twentieth Century Korea
AS2003	Popular Culture in East Asia
AS2005	Modern Japanese History
CH3304	Ethnicity, Class and Gender in China
CH2011	Chinese Politics and Society
RG6020	Contemporary Islam
RG6050	Deities, Devotion and Disciplines in Indian Religions

***Students are encouraged to study one of the following languages:**

Chinese / Korean / Japanese

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate a critical understanding of a range of topics and academic approaches in Asian Studies
- Make a cogent, informed and critical presentation on one or more selected topics in Asian Studies
- Demonstrate through the dissertation advanced understanding of a selected topic in Asian Studies
- Where language is studied, comprehend and communicate in one or more Asian languages at a level appropriate to the module(s) studied.

