

Area Studies

Area Studies at Marietta consists of a major and three minors identified with geographic areas with which the College has institutional connections making it possible for you to study in these important parts of the world. The major offered is in Asian Studies and the minors are: Asian Studies, European Studies, and Latin American Studies. In Area Studies, students are introduced to the languages, cultures, literature, politics, economics and history of the areas. The major and the minors provide excellent complements to any major offered by the college.



"I am very pleased with the Asian Studies program because it has given me the opportunity to travel abroad, explore Asian cultures, and study the Chinese language. The Asian Studies program has been an excellent complement for my international business major." **Braden Sanner, Class of 2009**

Asian Studies major

The Asian Studies major is interdisciplinary with a concentration in China. Administratively, the Asian Studies Program is housed in the Department of Modern Languages and uses resources of several departments of the college. The coursework of the major integrates courses in four core disciplines: 1) Chinese language (Mandarin), 2) Asian Art, 3) Asian history, and 4) Asian literature and culture. The major also includes elective courses in the fields of international Business and International Leadership Studies. In addition to choosing from a wealth of courses on Asian subjects, students have several opportunities to put their coursework into practice. Marietta College has strategic relationships with institutions of higher learning in Asia and strong connections with China, allowing students to study abroad in an Asian country, and to conduct research and an internship in China.

Full time Faculty:

Dr. Luding Tong, Associate Professor of Chinese
Director of the Asian Studies Program
Dr. Chaya Chandrasekhar, Assistant Professor of Art History
Dr. Ihor Pidhainy, Assistant Professor of History
Dr. Matthew Young, McCoy Associate Professor of History

Affiliated Faculty:

Dr. Mark Bagshaw, Professor of Management & Leadership
Professor Grace Johnson, McCoy Professor of Accounting
Dr. Mike Taylor, McCoy Professor of Marketing
Dr. Matthew Young, McCoy Associate Professor of History
Dr. Brent Yorgason, Assistant Professor of Music

European Studies

Full time Faculty:

Dr. Ena Vulor, McCoy Associate Professor of French,
Director of the European Studies Program

Sample Courses:

European Studies core:

- o History 121
- o Political Science 203
- o Either History 349 **or** Political Science 327
- o European Civilizations core
- o Spanish 330 **or** one course from French: 130, 131, 330, 331
- o French 101, 102

Selected Courses:

- Art and Gender
- Art and Identity
- Art and Religion
- Asian Art Survey
- Buddhism: History and Practices
- Chinese Civilization
- Chinese Language: (elementary - advanced levels)
- Chinese Visual Culture
- East Asian History and Literature
- East Asian Film
- International Business in Global Contexts
- International Leadership in Global Contexts
- International Marketing
- World Music

- o Spanish 101, 102 if taken as a second European language
- o Art History 361, 362, 366, 369, 371
- o History 120, 121, 329, 339, 340, 349, 352, 354
- o French 301, 310; Spanish 301, 310
- o Music 330, 331
- o Philosophy 336, 341, 344
- o Political Science 203, 301, 302, 327
- o Religion 339, 340

Latin American Studies

Full time Faculty:

Dr. Richard Danford, Associate Professor, Spanish and Portuguese
Director of Latin American Studies & Academic Advisor for Study Abroad
Professor Tim Abeln, Spanish and Latin American Literature, Civilization & Culture

Recent Requirements :

Eighteen to twenty-three hours including:
8 hours in Portuguese or Spanish
History 327
Leadership/Political Science 260
either Economics 372 or Political Science 120
one Latin American experiential course from Leadership 350, Spanish 401,
an elective 3 or 4-hour course selected from the courses listed in the Latin American Studies program

What Can I do with this Degree? With a major or minor in any of our Area Studies program, students will be better prepared for a career after Marietta College, particularly in the following areas:

Graduate School/Law School
International business
International relations/government
International development
Language services & education
Journalism
Teaching English as a Second Language

Career Outcomes:

Flash Developer/Entrepreneur
Consultant, State of Tennessee
Accounting Supervisor, Pennsylvania One Call System
Management Associate, Provident Bank



Kimberly Hoff, Class of 2008, *"I chose the Latin American studies minor because of my strong interest and background in both Spanish and Portuguese. Learning a language is more than just grammar and vocabulary. The Latin American Studies minor has helped me to better understand the culture of these countries and the people who live in them. I feel that I am a more well-rounded student and teacher, especially now that I am studying and teaching in the Spanish and Portuguese department at the Ohio State University."*