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 Provost-app 4/14/15  
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## New Minor, Track or Certificate Template

**Steps to the approval process:**

Complete the applicable template(s) and email them to the departmental or program curriculum committee chair. The curriculum chair emails the proposal to the curriculum committee, then to the department/program faculty for a vote and finally to the department/program chair.

The department/program chair emails the proposal to [curriculum-approval@iup.edu](mailto:curriculum-approval@iup.edu); this email will also serve as an electronic signature.

Curriculum committee staff will log the proposal, forward it to the appropriate dean's office(s) for review within 14 days and post it on the X Drive for review by all IUP faculty and administrators. Following the dean's review the proposal goes to the UWUCC/UWGC and the Senate.

Questions? Email [curriculum-approval@iup.edu](mailto:curriculum-approval@iup.edu).

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Proposing Depart/Unit:	Asian Studies	Phone:	4066

Minor or Track Title	Asian Studies Honors Track	
Narrative Catalog Description:	<b>Asian Studies Honors Track</b>	
	<p>The honors program is open by permission of the Asian Studies Committee to Asian Studies majors with a minimum 3.25 cumulative GPA and a 3.5 GPA in Asian Studies courses. Students complete 36 credits in Asian Studies (instead of the normal 33) including two semesters of honors thesis research and writing. Honors theses are completed individually under the direction of a professor who specializes in the student's area of interest and are approved by a thesis committee comprising the director and two other readers, one of whom may come from outside the program.</p> <p>Students interested in the Asian Studies honors program should discuss this opportunity as early as possible with their advisors. Students may file a declaration of intent during the sophomore year; a formal application for admission must be made, normally early in the junior year. The program is particularly encouraged for students intending to seek admission to graduate or professional schools. Honors course work is designated on university transcripts; students completing the honors program are recognized at commencement ceremonies.</p>	
List of Program Requirements in catalog layout – including course numbers, titles, credits and any footnotes. <i>(Note that PASSHE requires a minimum of 6 credits in a minor be advanced standing (300 and above).</i>	<b>Asian Studies Honors Track</b> 3 additional hours in Asian Studies ASIA 483 Honors Thesis <sup>1</sup>	<b>9</b> 3 6
Student Learning Outcomes for Minor or Track	Students will do advanced research in Asian Studies	
	<sup>1</sup> Two semesters, 3cr each	

Template F

Rationale for Proposal	
Why is this track/minor being proposed?	To provide students with the option of doing an Honors degree in Asian Studies
What role, if any, does it serve the college/university above and beyond the role it serves in the department?	none

## Template F

Honors Thesis proposal

**Subject:** Honors Thesis proposal  
**From:** Caleb Finegan <cfinegan@iup.edu>  
**Date:** 3/31/2014 12:25 PM  
**To:** "Baumler, Alan T" <Alan.Baumler@iup.edu>

Alan,

I approve both of the proposals you have put forward (Honors track and Honors Thesis option) to enhance the educational opportunities for students in Asian Studies. Let me know if you need anything further from me.

Dr. Caleb Finegan  
Associate Professor of History  
Director, Cook Honors College at IUP