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Career Possibilities

Customs Inspector • Immigration Officer • Importer/Exporter • Foreign Service Officer • International Marketing Representative • Travel Guide • Social Worker • Linguist • Foreign Correspondent • Community Organization Worker • Lawyer • Librarian • International Student Advisor • Educator • Peace Corps Worker • Interpreter • Translator • Foreign Business and Trade • CIA/FBI Agent (Some of these, and other careers, require additional education or experience. For more information, see www.careers.csulb.edu.)

Introduction

The Department of Asian and Asian American Studies fosters multi-ethnic and cross-cultural understanding from a global, multi-disciplinary perspective and pursues an active language education program to promote cross-cultural awareness and intercultural understanding.


Cambodian Courses (KHMR)

LOWER DIVISION

111. Accelerated Study of Khmer for Heritage Speakers I (4)
Prerequisites: Linguistic competency equivalent of a beginning Khmer speaker; one GE Foundation course that may be taken concurrently.

Linguistic and cultural aspects of Khmer language for heritage speakers. Oral and written communication skills in Khmer.

Intensive study of literary, historical, social, and aesthetic traditions of Cambodia as seen through Khmer language and literary texts.

Letter grade only (A-F).

112. Accelerated Study of Khmer for Heritage Speakers II (4)
Prerequisites: KHMR 111 linguistic competency or equivalent.

Intermediate level linguistic study and cultural aspects of Khmer for heritage speakers. Oral and written communication skills and intensive study of literary, historical, social, and aesthetic traditions of Cambodia through the Khmer language and literary texts.

Letter grade only (A-F).

Korean Courses (KOR)

101. Fundamentals of Korean (4)
Prerequisite/Corequisite: One GE Foundation course.

Introduction to the writing system, pronunciation, vocabulary, and grammar of the Korean language and Korean culture.

Students with previous training or native speakers of Korean may not enroll.

102. Fundamentals of Korean (4)
Prerequisites/Corequisites: One GE Foundation course.

Completion of KOR 101 or competency equivalent to KOR 101.

Introduction to the Korean grammar, reading, writing, and conversation and Korean culture.

Students with previous training or native speakers of Korean may not enroll.

Tagalog (Filipino Language) Courses (TGLG)

LOWER DIVISION

101. Fundamentals of Tagalog (4)
Prerequisite/Corequisite: One GE Foundation course.

Introduction to the pronunciation, grammar, essential vocabulary, reading, and conversation of modern standard Tagalog (Filipino).

102. Fundamentals of Tagalog (4)
Prerequisites: One GE Foundation course which may be taken concurrently, and competency equivalent for TGLG 101.

Introduction to the pronunciation, grammar, essential vocabulary, reading, and conversation of modern standard Tagalog (Filipino).
Vietnamese Courses (VIET)

LOWER DIVISION

111. Accelerated Vietnamese for Heritage Students I (4)
Prerequisites: One GE Foundation course that may be taken concurrently. Conversational ability of Vietnamese.
Designed for students who have listening and speaking ability of Vietnamese. Focuses on Vietnamese literacy and culture, including developing reading and writing skills in context.
Letter grade only (A-F).

211. Accelerated Vietnamese for Heritage Students II (4)
Prerequisites: VIET 111. Ability to speak and comprehend Vietnamese oral and written language at the interpersonal communicative level.
Designed for students who have intermediate listening and speaking ability of Vietnamese and the ability to comprehend simple written Vietnamese texts. Focuses on Vietnamese literacy and culture, including developing reading and writing skills in context.
Letter grade only (A-F).