Courses

S,SEASN C51 Introductory Topics in Religious Studies 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2012, Fall 2010, Fall 2007
Selected introductory topics in the study of religion.
Introductory Topics in Religious Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Dalmia
Also listed as: RELIGST C90B
Introductory Topics in Religious Studies: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN N51 Introductory Topics in Religious Studies 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2008 10 Week Session, Summer 2008 Second 6 Week Session
Selected introductory topics in the study of religion.
Introductory Topics in Religious Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Introductory Topics in Religious Studies: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN C52 Introduction to the Study of Buddhism 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022
This introduction to the study of Buddhism will consider materials drawn from various Buddhist traditions of Asia, from ancient times down to the present day. However, the course is not intended to be a comprehensive or systematic survey; rather than aiming at breadth, the course is designed around key themes such as ritual, image veneration, mysticism, meditation, and death. The overarching emphasis throughout the course will be on the hermeneutic difficulties attendant upon the study of religion in general, and Buddhism in particular.
Introductory Topics in Religious Studies: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Also listed as: BUDDSTD C50/EA LANG C50
Introduction to the Study of Buddhism: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN 98A Directed Group Study for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Spring 2015
Four-unit limit per term.
Directed Group Study for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Directed Group Study for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies: Read Less [-]
S,SEASN 99A Supervised Independent Study and Research for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Fall 2014
Four-unit limit per term.
Supervised Independent Study and Research for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Supervised Independent Study and Research for Lower Division Students: South Asian Studies: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN C135 Tantric Traditions of Asia 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2013, Spring 2010
The emergence of the tantras in seventh and eighth-century India marked a watershed for religious practice throughout Asia. These esoteric scriptures introduced complex new ritual technologies that transformed the religious traditions of India, from Brahmanism to Jainism and Buddhism, as well as those of Southeast Asia, Tibet, Mongolia, China, Korea, and Japan. This course provides an overview of tantric religion across these regions.
Tantric Traditions of Asia: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Dalton
Also listed as: BUDDSTD C135/EA LANG C135
Tantric Traditions of Asia: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN 140N Cinematic Asias: Genre, Gender, Community 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course introduces to the study of various genres of South, Southeast, and East Asian cinema, such as auteur, fantasy, kitsch, political, and indie. This will invite rethinking the individual’s place in gendered, sexualized, hyper-urbanized, conflicted, and often violent postcolonial worlds. The course will include readings drawn from critical film theory, postcolonial film criticism, psychoanalysis, and new media.
Cinematic Asias: Genre, Gender, Community: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Cinematic Asias: Genre, Gender, Community: Read Less [-]

S,SEASN C142 Psychoanalytic Theory, Asian Texts 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Fall 2021
Through the prism of psychoanalytical theories, early and contemporary, this course explores a variety of pre-modern and modern East Asian texts—literary, artistic, religious, and theoretical. We will be asking both how these theories enrich our reading of the texts, and how the texts enrich our understanding of the theories. Through close readings of all the material we will begin to discern how theory and text reshape one another, where they mesh productively, and where they insistently stay apart. Topics include: the unconscious, selfhood, repression, attachment, beauty, dreams, ritual, ghosts and haunting, madness, meditative states, mystical experience, mourning, healing, therapeutic method and cure. No prerequisites.
Psychoanalytic Theory, Asian Texts: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Also listed as: EA LANG C142
Psychoanalytic Theory, Asian Texts: Read Less [-]
**S,SEASN C145 Buddhism in Contemporary Society 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022  
A study of the Buddhist tradition as it is found today in Asia. The course will focus on specific living traditions of East, South, and/or Southeast Asia. Themes to be addressed may include contemporary Buddhist ritual practices; funerary and mortuary customs; the relationship between Buddhism and other local religious traditions; the relationship between Buddhist institutions and the state; Buddhist monasticism and its relationship to the laity; Buddhist ethics; Buddhist “modernism,” and so on.  
Buddhism in Contemporary Society: Read More [+]
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.  
Instructor: von Rospatt  
Also listed as: BUDDSTD C128/EA LANG C128  
Buddhism in Contemporary Society: Read Less [-]

**S,SEASN 199D Supervised Independent Study and Research: Malay/Indonesian 1 - 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2014, Spring 2013  
Four-unit limit per term.  
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Malay/Indonesian: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements  
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.  
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Southeast Asian Studies: Read Less [-]

**S,SEASN C220 Seminar in Buddhism and Buddhist Texts 2 or 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2019, Fall 2016  
Content varies with student interests. The course will normally focus on classical Buddhist texts that exist in multiple recensions and languages, including Chinese, Sanskrit, and Tibetan.  
Seminar in Buddhism and Buddhist Texts: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements  
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Graduate  
Grading: Letter grade.  
Also listed as: BUDDSTD C220/EA LANG C220  
Seminar in Buddhism and Buddhist Texts: Read Less [-]

**S,SEASN 199E Supervised Independent Study and Research: Southeast Asian Studies 1 - 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2019  
Four-unit limit per term.  
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Southeast Asian Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements  
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.  
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Southeast Asian Studies: Read Less [-]
S,SEASN 290E Special Studies: Southeast Asian Studies 1 - 5 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021
Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

S,SEASN 602F Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Sanskrit 1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2017
Individual study in consultation with the major field adviser, intended to provide an opportunity for qualified students to prepare themselves for the various examinations required for candidates for the Ph.D.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: For candidates for doctoral degree
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: South and Southeast Asian Studies/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.