

Requirements for the New Major and Honours in Pacific and Asian Studies




Core competency sequence

REQUIRED FOR ALL (NEW) PAAS MAJOR AND HONOURS STUDENTS

1

PAAS 100 Introduction to Pacific and Asian Studies (1.5 units)

PAAS 215 Language, Media and Translation (1.5 units) 

PAAS 315 Critical Approaches to History, Culture and Society (1.5 units) 

PAAS 400 Advanced Research Seminar (1.5 units)

+

Upper-division electives

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2

9 units of additional PAAS classes between PAAS 300-499

+ complete one of the following 3 foci

 New!


Experiential Learning

6 more units of PAAS classes

+

Completion of the Experiential Learning Requirement

Language & Culture

6 sequential units of an Asian or Pacific language (to 200-level)
(e.g., Chinese, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean) 

+

3 more units of upper-division (300-499) PAAS classes

Language Intensive

9 sequential units of an Asian or Pacific language (to 300-level)

3

Experiential Learning Requirement

ONLY required for students choosing the Experiential Learning Focus
NOT required for Language Intensive focus -or- Language & Culture focus

Complete one of the following options:

- A 3-unit Field School in Pacific and Asian Studies (PAAS 397)
- A minimum of 3 upper-division units from a university in the Asia-Pacific region obtained through a UVic exchange program or letter of permission
- PAAS 396 + PAAS 398 + a minimum of one Co-op semester*
- PAAS 396 + PAAS 398 + an internship program of at least 250 hours*

*The Co-op and Internship options must either be in the Asia-Pacific region or address issues pertinent to the Asia-Pacific.

Majors declared before May 2023 can complete under the prior requirements ([here](#)).

See University Calendar for further details on the PAAS [Major](#) & [Honours](#) Programs.

Send questions to the PAAS Undergraduate Advisor (paasundergrad@uvic.ca)