Students completing the B.A. Major will be able to:

- identify major elements of cultures in Asia, with particular attention to their chosen regions of expertise (China, Japan, Korea, or Southeast Asia).

- assess the social contours of a given Asian society and explain the ways in which dynamics within communities and other social structures shape the course of events.

- understand the role that languages and literatures play in reflecting and influencing Asian societies across time and across different literary genres.

- formulate effective arguments, written and oral, that address important themes and issues in the arts and cultures of Asia in ways that are historically appropriate and relevant to particular contexts.

- conduct research on elements of Asian languages, literatures and other cultural elements using primary and secondary source materials in effective and critical fashion.