



Università  
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Venezia



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International  
College

Global Asian  
Studies

### **Minor in Global Asian Studies**

This Minor aims at providing students with an understanding of the complex dynamics triggered by globalization in Asia. Each course explores the growing interrelations among Asian countries and regions from different perspectives.

The approach is interdisciplinary, bringing together geography, anthropology, political science, and legal studies. The first two years focus on the study of relevant analytical frameworks and tools, drawn from different disciplines. During the 3rd year, a case study approach is adopted, analyzing global governance issues and the interplay between domestic and transnational dimensions.

### **Political and Economic Geography**

30h - 1st year, first semester

Key concepts of economic and political geography; globalization and world-system evolution; globalization and regionalism; international economic governance.

### **Anthropology**

30h - 1st year, second semester

Analytical frameworks for the study of cultural systems and paradigms; tradition and modernity.

### **Legal Institutions**

30h - 2nd year, first semester

International and comparative law; settlement of international trade disputes in Asia; Regional and multilateral organizations.

### **Political Institutions**

30h - 2nd year, second semester

Contemporary history and politics of Asian countries; theoretical tools for analyzing and understanding imperialism, colonialism, state building, democracy and authoritarianism in Asia.

### **Laboratory of Global Asian Studies**

60h - 3rd year

The labs combine lectures, group discussion and individual research. Students work on selected materials with a strong focus on case-studies from Asia. They have to complete weekly assignments and, ultimately, present the results of their individual research.

