The Asian Studies minor is an interdisciplinary minor which encourages students to develop a knowledge of Asia that extends over a broad range of courses. The departments of Languages and Cultures, History, Religious Studies, and Sociology offer courses that deal with a variety of Asian topics.

**Organization and Governance:**

Faculty and Students make up the Asian Studies minor. Faculty members who wish to teach a course for the minor have those courses approved by the Asian Studies Minor Committee.

The College Curriculum Committee and the University Curriculum Committee must also approve new courses for the minor.

**Professional Responsibilities**

Faculty participating in the minor are expected to carry out all the duties the university contractually requires of faculty, most notably being active in teaching, research, and service.

Faculty are expected to participate in faculty development to keep abreast of scholarship in Asian Studies.

Faculty members are expected to do student evaluations for every class they teach. They may also do specific ones with Asian Studies minors in the course.

**Tenure and Promotion in Rank:**

Faculty members teaching Asian Studies courses go through the process of achieving tenure through their individual departments.

Faculty members also achieve promotion through the processes of their department.
Advising:
Aside from their major advisor, students who participate in the Asian Studies minor also meet with either Fr. William Farge, S.J. or Prof. Rian Thum for advising in the minor.

Student Activities:
Students participating the Asian Studies minor have opportunities to enhance their language ability outside of class by participating in languages tables with native speakers.

Asian Studies minors work closely with the Center for International Education in assisting Asian exchange students to adapt to Loyola. Language exchange is also encouraged.

Support for Faculty Teaching in the Minor:
Faculty members have a right to expect support from their major department for courses being taught in the minor. Since all courses in the Asian Studies minor also serve as major or common curriculum courses, individual departments are responsible for clerical support, office space, and access to faculty development.