

## Career Planning Guide

### ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER (API) STUDIES EMPHASIS

**Length of Program:** 90 credits

**Goal:** Associate of Arts (AA) Degree with an API Studies Emphasis

**South Seattle Community College**  
6000 16th Avenue SW  
Seattle, Washington 98106-1499

**Quarterly Costs – check current schedule:**  
<http://www.southseattle.edu/services/tuition.htm>

**API Studies Emphasis Advising:**  
Academic Center (206) 768-6600

**Class Schedule:**  
<http://classes.southseattle.edu/>

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#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This new interdisciplinary transfer degree program examines history and contemporary issues affecting Asians, Asian Americans, and Pacific Islanders. It features a flexible curriculum drawing from a wide range of classes including literature, history, music, anthropology, art, religion, and humanities.

The API Studies Emphasis degree can be your pathway to transfer to a four-year institution offering programs and degrees in a number of fields, including American/Comparative Ethnic Studies or Asian Studies.

You must fulfill the education requirements for an AA degree, which will include 30 credits of approved API courses for a total of 90 credits.

#### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

You will gain an intercultural perspective that can prepare you for careers in education, social work, business, government and public policy, hospitality management, law, journalism, community leadership, and advocacy.

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**Asian American  
Native American Pacific Islander**  
SERVING INSTITUTION  
**South Seattle Community College**

# Associate of Arts Asian Pacific Islander Studies Emphasis Advising Sheet

This sheet is designed as an advising tool for students working to complete South's AA-Asian Pacific Islander (API) Studies Emphasis. **It is the student's responsibility to verify all degree requirements. Information may change without notice.**

## API Studies Emphasis Courses

ANTH 211: Peoples of Mainland Southeast Asia ANTH 227: Pacific Island Cultures ART 255: History of the Art of Asia ENGL 260: Asian American Literature HIST 131: Asian American History HIST 210: The Pacific Century HIST 241: History of Southeast Asia	HIST 242: The Vietnamese-American War HIST 251: History of China HUM 115: Perspectives of the Chinese Garden (3 cr) HUM 120: Introduction to Asian Cinema HUM 261/ISP 261: Japanese Civilization MUSC 110: Introduction to World Music REL 151: Introduction to Eastern Religions
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Type of Course	Specific Courses	Credits
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Basic Requirements – Composition	ENGL& 101 and ENGL& 102	10 Credits
Basic Requirements – Intermediate Algebra Proficiency	See AA planning sheet for ways to meet this requirement.	Varies
Basic Requirements – Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning	Select course from approved Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning list on AA planning sheet.	5 Credits
Visual, Literary, and Performing Arts (VLPA)* (Humanities and Arts)	Must include two different prefixes (e.g. CMST and ENGL) Courses may be selected from the API Studies Emphasis Course List	15 Credits
Individuals, Cultures, and Societies (ICS)* (Social Sciences)	Must include two different course prefixes (e.g. PYSC and REL) Courses may be selected from the API Studies Emphasis Course List	15 Credits
Natural World (NW)* (Natural and Physical Sciences, Math)	Must include two different course prefixes (e.g. BIOL and HEA). 5 credits must be in a lab science.	15 Credits
Asian Pacific Islander Studies Emphasis requirements*	Credits must be selected either from the API Studies Emphasis Course List above or other approved electives for the API Studies Emphasis. See AA planning sheet and an advisor for help with selection of elective credits.	30 Credits

**Total: 90 credits**

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\*Courses should be selected to ensure completion of the special requirements of the AA degree. These include 5 credits of Lab Sciences, 5 credits of Communication, 8 credits of Integrated Studies, 5 credits of Global Studies, and 5 credits of US Cultures. See an advisor for more information.