To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to the Languages and Literatures/Japanese Minor

PRESENT:  

Asian Literatures and Cultures Minor

The Asian Literatures and Cultures minor provides students with the opportunity to enhance their knowledge of Asian languages, cultures, and literatures.

Chinese Track (24 units)

1. Lower division requirements (4 units plus language proficiency)
   a) Proficiency in Chinese through the intermediate level (second-year)
   b) Four (4) units from lower-division lecture courses on Chinese literature and culture: AST 030/CHN 030, AST 040/CHN 040, AST 046/CHN 046, AST 048/CHN 048

2. Upper-division requirements (20 units)
   a) 8 upper-division units in Chinese language from CHN 101A, CHN 101B, CHN 101C, CHN 102, CHN 105, CHN 106, CHN 108, CHN 110 (E-Z), CHN 115 (E-Z)
   b) Eight (8) units in Chinese literature and culture from CHN 104, CHN 105, CHN 106/PHIL 123, AST 107/CHN 107/RLST 107, CHN 108, CHN 110 (E-Z), CHN 115 (E-Z), CHN 134, AST 135/CHN 135, AST 136/CHN 136, AST 142/CHN 142, CPLT 142E/WMST 142E, AST 148/CHN 148, AST 185/CHN 185/MCS 169, CHN 190
   c) Four (4) units in Asian literatures and cultures: can be chosen from all the upper-division lecture courses on Asian literature and culture from the department as well as China-related upper-division courses from other departments (with adviser’s consent).

PROPOSED:  

Languages and Literatures/ Japanese Minor

The Japanese Minor enables students to acquire intermediate proficiency in the Japanese language and to develop critical thinking skills in their analysis of these literary, filmic, and social texts. Students are encouraged to study in Japan through the University of California’s numerous Education Abroad Programs.
including the courses listed under (b).

Japanese Track (24 units)

1. Lower-division requirements (4 units plus language proficiency)
   a) Proficiency in Japanese through the intermediate level (JPN 006 or its equivalent)
   b) Four (4) units from lower-division lecture courses on Japanese literature and culture: AST 022/JPN 022, AST-032/JPN-032, AST 034/JPN 034, JPN 035

2. Upper-division requirements (20 units)
   a) Eight (8) upper-division units in Japanese language from: JPN 101A, JPN 101B, JPN 101C, JPN 110
   b) Four (4) units from lower-division lecture courses in Japanese literature and culture: JPN 022/AST 022/MCS 022, JPN 023/AST 023/CPLT 023, JPN 034/AST 034, JPN 035, JPN 056/AST 056/CPLT 056, and any other lower-division lecture courses on Japanese literature, culture, and film chosen in consultation with the student’s advisor.

Korean Track (24 units)

1. Lower-division requirements (8 units plus language proficiency)
   a) Proficiency in Korean through the intermediate level, KOR 005 (second year)
   b) Eight (8) units from lower-division lecture courses on Korean literature and cultures: can be chosen from all the upper-division lecture courses on Asian literature and culture from the department as well as Japan-related upper-division courses from other departments (with advisor’s consent), including the courses listed under (b).

2. Upper-division requirements (20 units).
   a) Eight (8) upper-division units in Japanese language from: JPN 101A, JPN 101B, JPN 101C, JPN 110. Students whose proficiency exceeds the 101 series should take the 8 required units by taking 110 more than once, by using EAP language courses, or, under the JPN190 rubric, by converting an existing “content” course into a language course with the instructor’s help.
   b) Twelve (12) units in Japanese literature and culture from: AST 190, CPLT 142J/WMST 142J, JPN 110, JPN 134/CPLT 134/GER 134/MCS 114, JPN 145/CPLT 145, JPN 150/AST 150, JPN 152 (E-Z)/AST 152 (E-Z), JPN 153 (E-Z)/AST 153 (E-Z), JPN 154 (E-Z)/AST 154 (E-Z), JPN 184/AST 184/MCS 184, JPN 190, and any other upper-division lecture courses on Japanese literature, culture, and film chosen in consultation with the student’s advisor.
culture: KOR 042, KOR 047/AST 047/MCS 047

2. Upper-division requirements (16 units)
   a) Four (4) upper-division units in Korean language from KOR 101
   b) Eight (8) units in Korean literature and culture from KOR 110 (E-Z), KOR 112/AST 112, Four (4) units in Asian literatures and cultures: can be chosen from all the upper-division lecture courses on Asian literature and culture from the department as well as Korea-related upper-division courses from other departments (with adviser’s consent), including the courses listed under (2)

Southeast Asian Track (24 units)
1. Lower-division requirements (8 units plus language proficiency)
   a) Proficiency in one of the Southeast Asian languages (Vietnamese/Indonesian/Tagalog) through the first-year level
   b) Eight (8) units from lower-division lecture courses on Southeast Asian literature and culture: AST 062/CPLT 062, AST 063/CPLT 063, AST 064/MCS 049/VNM 064, AST 065

2. Upper-division requirements (16 units)
Sixteen (16) units in Southeast Asian literature and culture from CPLT 142V/WMST 142V, AST 161, AST 162/HIST 187/VNM 162, AST 163/CPLT 163, AST 165 (E-Z)/VNM 165 (E-Z)/WMST 165 (E-Z)/AST 166/CPLT 166/VNM 166, AST 167/CPLT 167, AST 168/MUS 168, or graduate courses in Southeast Asian literature and culture (with consent of instructor) such as CPLT 200/SEAS 200 and CPLT 205/SEAS 205

JUSTIFICATIONS:

Change to title of the major
The addition of the term “Languages and Literatures” before the slash reflects a departmental initiative to gather all majors and minors administered by the Department of Comparative Literature and Foreign Languages under the same umbrella term. The major was changed to Literatures and Languages Japanese in 2011-12. Since we are deleting the Asian Literatures
and Cultures heading, we would like to move the minor so it is under the Languages and Literatures/Japanese heading along with the major.

Change to description
This description simplifies and clarifies the proposed fields of study and outcomes for the minor.

Addition and deletion of courses that satisfy the lower- and upper-division requirements
The new lists reflect courses recently added to the curriculum by new faculty hires.

Clarification in 2a
To avoid a common misconception, we explain that the third-year Japanese series 101ABC is not required of students whose language proficiency is already beyond this level. We explain how advanced students can fulfill the advanced language training other ways.

Elimination of option 2c and expansion of requirement 2b
Since the Japanese minor only requires 12 units of upper-division content-course work, we would prefer to see them all focus on Japan, and to get rid of the option of studying other cultures and literatures in Asia. This is especially feasible now that we have expanded our upper-division offerings in Japanese.

Change in order of course offering in 1b and 2b
Moved courses so they would be in alphabetical order with the JPN rubric first when a cross-listed course.

Approval:

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