

## Asian Studies Undergraduate Capstone Sample Options

A capstone project is optional but encouraged for all undergraduate Asian Studies majors. There are several ways to complete a capstone project. Capstone projects are decided in consultation with a faculty mentor, and usually take the form of an article-length paper and presentation, or a portfolio of artistic or technical work plus a shorter paper and public presentation. Three sample course sequences are presented below.

### A. Sample Capstone Course Sequence

Fall Semester Junior Year	Choose an Asian Studies faculty mentor Work closely with the faculty mentor to develop and submit proposal for a research project Apply for UROP and/or other summer funding (some funding applications are due as early as November)
Summer	ASAN 393 Field Study (or other research)
Fall Semester Senior Year	ASAN 499 Write up capstone paper and/or create portfolio; produce final presentation

### B. Sample Capstone Course Sequence with Study Abroad

Fall Semester Junior Year	Choose an Asian Studies faculty mentor Work closely with the faculty mentor to develop and submit proposal for a research project to this faculty member
Spring Semester Junior Year	Study Abroad; possible ASAN 393 if conducting research separately from Study Abroad courses
Fall Semester Senior Year	ASAN 499 Write up capstone paper and/or create portfolio; produce final presentation

### C. Sample Capstone Course Sequence with Honors Track\*

Junior Year	HON 491 (Junior Seminar) HON 495 recommended to write thesis proposal Related ASAN 320 course and/or ASAN 499 recommended to develop background and context for research  Submit proposal for Honors project Apply for UROP and/or other summer funding
Summer	ASAN 393 Field Study (or other research)
Fall or Spring Semester Senior Year	HON 496 capstone course

\*Requires admission to honors program