

# Category 2B: Non-Western Cultures

LAC 2014

## ADVISING NOTES

Students must take one non-Western Cultures course.

Students who transfer to UNI with an AA degree may still need to complete the LAC 2B requirement if they did not satisfy this category with a transferred course.

**SPAN 3020 Latin American Culture and Civilization** may substitute for the non-Western Cultures requirement.

All LAC related student requests should be sent directly to the Provost's Office.

## REQUIREMENT: 3 CREDIT HOURS

HUM 3121	Russia/Soviet Union	3 Hours
HUM 3122	Japan	3 Hours
HUM 3123	Latin America	3 Hours
HUM 3124	China	3 Hours
HUM 3125	India	3 Hours
HUM 3127	Middle East	3 Hours
HUM 3128	Africa	3 Hours
HUM 3132/ ANTH 3132	Native North America	3 Hours
HUM 3137/ ANTH 3137	Native Central and South America	3 Hours

## IT TAKES MORE THAN A MAJOR

Employers expect broad learning. Seventy-eight percent believe employees need to be knowledgeable about **global issues, societies and cultures outside the US.**

Employers agree that **all students**, regardless of their chosen field of study, **should have educational experiences that teach them about cultures outside the United States.**

Source: Hart Research Association, *It Takes More than a Major: Employer Priorities for College Learning and Student Success*, (Washington D.C.: Association of American Colleges and Universities, 2013).

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## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**HUM 3121 Russia/Soviet Union—3 hrs.** Interdisciplinary examination of the culture, history, geography, economy, political system, and society of Russia and the Soviet Union.

**HUM 3122 Japan—3 hrs.** Introductory study of Japan: geographical setting, historical background, cultural heritage, social and political systems, and economic development and importance.

**HUM 3123 Latin America—3 hrs.** Historical, political, social, and cultural elements that form the civilization of Latin America.

- No credit if student has credit in SPAN 3020 Latin American Culture and Civilization.

**HUM 3124 China—3 hrs.** Introduction to essential aspects of China, including geography, environment, demography, anthropology, history, language, religion, economic development, political changes, and foreign relations.

**HUM 3125 India—3 hrs.** Treatment of significant elements of Indian culture, historical development, and place in the world today.

**HUM 3127 Middle East—3 hrs.** Treatment of significant aspects of Middle Eastern culture, historical development, and place in the world today.

**HUM 3128 Africa—3 hrs.** Interdisciplinary examination of contemporary African society and culture: historical heritage, problems, prospects, and importance.

**HUM 3132/ANTH 3132 Native North America—3 hrs.** Ethnographic survey of sociocultural systems developed by Native Americans north of Mexico. Emphasis on relationships that exist among ecological factors, subsistence techniques, social organizations, and belief systems; and the impact interactions with European and U.S. societies had on Indian lifestyles.

**HUM 3137/ANTH 3137 Native Central and South America—3 hrs.** Ethnographic focus on the sociocultural systems of the indigenous peoples of Mesoamerica, Amazon Basin, and the Andean Highlands. Emphasis on inter-relationships among environment, history, social organizations, and belief systems from a holistic and comparative perspective.

## IN THIS CATEGORY STUDENTS WILL ...

Study non-Western cultures and civilizations from ancient times to the present through historical accounts, literatures, philosophies, religions, and fine arts. Using methods of critical inquiry, students explore aspects of human nature, the shaping of thoughts and values, and their interrelations.