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To: Administrative Boards of the College of Arts & Sciences

From: Robin Visser, Chair, Department of Asian Studies

Re: Request for changes to the concentration in South Asian Studies

The following courses are being added to the concentration:

- ANTH 361: Community in India and South Asia
- HIST/ASIA 272: Contemporary India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh [being proposed concurrently]
- HIST 331/ASIA 304: Sex, Religion, and Violence: Revolutionary Thought in Modern South Asia [ASIA crosslist being proposed concurrently]
- HIST/ASIA 555: Religion, Coexistence, and Conflict in Medieval India [being proposed concurrently]
- HIST/ASIA 556: Gender in Indian History [being proposed concurrently]
- HIST/ASIA 557: Bandits, Rebels, and Storytellers: Fiction and History in India [being proposed concurrently]

The concentration description is also being changed to reflect the concurrent proposal to crosslist ASIA 164 with MUSC 164.

Finally, language has been added to the concentration description to more explicitly clarify the policy on PL credit.

Attached is a revised version of the concentration text for the Undergraduate Bulletin.

Robin Visser

Asian Studies Major, B.A.—South Asian Studies Concentration

Core Requirements

- Two Hindi-Urdu courses beyond HNUR 204. Students whose initial language placement is above HNUR 305 should consult the department.
- One of the following introductory courses: ASIA 59, 61, 152; ASIA/GEOG 267; ASIA/HIST 135, 136. It is recommended that students take this course either prior to or concurrent with upper-level South Asian literature and culture classes.
- Five courses, including at least three numbered 200 or above, from either the list of introductory courses above or the following list: [ANTH 361](#); ARTH/ASIA 153, 266, 273, 456; ASIA 122, 163, ~~164~~, 224, 228, 231, 232, 261, 262, 331, 332, 333, 453, 692H; ASIA/HIST 135, 136, [272](#), [555](#), [556](#), [557](#); [ASIA 304/HIST 331](#); [ASIA/MUSC 164](#); ASIA/RELI 285, 382, 383, 581, 582, 583; ASIA 300/RELI 283; HNUR 407, 408, 410, 490; HNUR/RELI 592; RELI 381, 481

Additional Requirements

- HNUR through level 4
- HNUR 220 (not required if the student has taken HNUR 101)
- HNUR 221

Placement credit (PL) may not be used to meet core requirements for the concentration
However, the ~~The above~~ additional requirements may ~~also~~ be met by placement.

Approved courses taken in UNC–Chapel Hill-sponsored study abroad programs may count in the concentration. No more than one first-year seminar may be counted among the eight major courses.

With the approval of the associate chair of Asian studies, a student may count a course in directed readings (ASIA 496 or HNUR 496) in the concentration in South Asian studies. To register for ASIA 496 or HNUR 496, a student must obtain the approval of the associate chair and the faculty member who will supervise the project.

Of the eight courses in the concentration in South Asian studies, at least six must be passed with a grade of C (not C-) or better. No course in the department may be taken Pass/D+/D/Fail.