

M.A. in Asian Studies (with thesis)

ASBEN offers two Master's programs in Asian Studies: M.A. in Asian Studies - English (with thesis) and M.A. in Asian Studies - Turkish (with thesis) with the objective of providing a thorough understanding of the political and socioeconomic conditions of East, South and Southeast Asian countries. The curriculum of each program is composed of seven courses (three compulsory, four elective) and a seminar, as well as thesis and academic specialization. Furthermore, our students can take regional language courses (e.g. Chinese, Japanese) as extra electives. The application requirements for our programs are announced at ASBÜ and ASBEN websites in June/July.

M.A. in Asian Studies - English (with thesis), Compulsory Courses:

Research Methods and Publication Ethics
Advanced International Relations Theories
Asia in World Politics
Seminar

M.A. in Asian Studies - English (with thesis), Elective Courses:

Political History of Asia
Migration in Asia
Political Economy of Development in Asia
Comparative Politics of East Asia
Comparative Politics of South Asia
Comparative Politics of Southeast Asia
Asian Security
International Organizations in Asia
International Law: Asian Cases
Free Elective (from other graduate programs)

Given the program structure above, students who intend to pursue an academic career in the field of international relations, for instance, can graduate by choosing those respective courses. On the other hand, students who want to follow a multidisciplinary curriculum are offered a wide range of choices from sociology, economics, anthropology and other disciplines/programs.

M.A. in Asian Studies, Sample Curriculum

1st Year	2nd Year
1st Semester - Fall	3rd Semester - Fall
Research Methods and Publication Ethics Advanced International Relations Theories Elective 1: Political History of Asia Elective 2: International Organizations in Asia	Thesis Academic Specialization
2nd Semester - Spring	4th Semester - Spring
Asia in World Politics Elective 3: Comparative Politics of East Asia Elective 4: Asian Security Seminar	Thesis Academic Specialization