

# MA IN ASIAN STUDIES (INDIA AND SOUTH ASIA STUDIES)\*

SPECIALISING IN THE WORLD'S LARGEST DEMOCRACY AND MOST POPULOUS REGION

The MA in Asian Studies (India and South Asia Studies) equips students to work with, on, and in this dynamic region. The programme offers a deep interdisciplinary understanding of the rapidly transforming societies and cultures of India and South Asia, as well as its entangled history with Asia and the West.

The programme also gives a unique opportunity to study abroad for a semester in India/South Asia, where you can either do an internship or carry out research. This research can then be used for your thesis in the fourth semester.

## TRACKS

The programme counts as two years of full-time study and has two tracks: Track A1 is a language specialisation and Track A2 is an international specialisation.

Track A1 gives students the opportunity to learn Hindi, the most widely spoken language in India, at an advanced level. Track A2 enables students to acquire the necessary skills needed to deal with the Indian subcontinent in an increasingly globalised and interconnected world.

## STUDENT LIFE

There are a range of opportunities available for students of Asian studies. Students can take part in the degree programme committee, discussing everything from academic regulations to Christmas lunches and excursions. The committee also organises parties, Friday bars, and film screenings. The Faculty of Arts and the university in general organise numerous events for students, including lectures, student fairs, career days, seminars, celebrations and sports days.

## CAREERS

As a graduate of the MA in Asian Studies (India and South Asia Studies), you will be well prepared for working in export and outsourcing (collaborating between Danish and Indian companies and institutions), in international development and collaboration (many development projects in India are supported by Danida, the Danish international development agency as well as a number of NGOs), in teaching (at university level, in language schools and in Danish folk high schools) or in translating/interpreting (in organisations like the UN, private companies, and integration projects).



◀ The Master's in Asian Studies India and South Asia addresses all the major features of academic and intellectual interest in the region. From media to gender and politics to art, this course has something for everybody. Adding to this, the diverse and astute faculty help the students develop skills that are not just useful in their academic pursuits, but also instrumental for their future careers in any part of the world. I have had an exceptionally enlightening time on the course and there is a lot I will be taking back to India from this programme.

### SHABNAM SURITA DANA

IBIES Master's Scholar, MA in Asian Studies – India and South Asia Studies, from India



## PLACE OF STUDY

Aarhus

## WWW

[masters.au.dk/indiaandsouthasianstudies](http://masters.au.dk/indiaandsouthasianstudies)

## ANNUAL TUITION FEE

EU/EEA/Swiss citizens: FREE

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## COMPETENCY PROFILE

With the MA in Asian studies (India and South Asia Studies), you will gain the following competencies:

- Language skills: you will learn to read, write, speak and understand modern Hindi.
- History and culture: based on your studies in India's history, society and culture, you will be well equipped to analyse past and recent events related to India in the light of these important contexts.

- Intercultural communication: having acquired a thorough knowledge of Indian culture, etiquette, and society, you will be aware of cultural sensitivities and will be well placed to communicate effectively between India and Western countries.
- Academic writing: you will have learnt in your studies to take a structured and analytical approach and to work independently in academic contexts, on assignments, and in searching for information.

## TRACK 1 LANGUAGE SPECIALISATION

1 <sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER	2 <sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER	3 <sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER	4 <sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER
Contemporary Perspectives on Asia	Topics in Asian Society and Culture	- Study Semester Abroad - Profile Course - Internship	THESIS
Area-Specific Seminar	Cultural Encounters		
Translation and Written Hindi	Oral language Proficiency 2		
30 ECTS	30 ECTS	30 ECTS	30 ECTS

## TRACK 2 INTERNATIONAL SPECIALISATION

1 <sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER	2 <sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER	3 <sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER	4 <sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER
Contemporary Perspectives on Asia	Topics in Asian Society and Culture	- Study Semester Abroad - Profile Course - Internship	THESIS
Area-Specific Seminar	Cultural Encounters		
Course from International Studies	Course from International Studies		
30 ECTS	30 ECTS	30 ECTS	30 ECTS

The academic regulations for the Master's programmes at the Faculty of Arts are currently being revised, which means that some of the courses or course titles are subject to change. Please check online for the latest programme structure.



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