The Center for South Asian Studies’ Graduate Certificate is an interdisciplinary program intended to supplement and complement on-going study in a discipline or in a professional school. It is open to all students in good standing in any graduate program at the University of Michigan. The Certificate Program will enable students to acquire context-based expertise in this critically important area of the world, and will benefit those pursuing academic or other professional careers focusing on South Asia.

Certificate Course Requirements:
1. At least 15 credit hours of approved graduate-level course work on South Asia (generally 5 courses). These courses must meet the following criteria:
   - The courses must be in at least two different departments or schools
   - One of these courses must be the interdisciplinary course SAS (South Asian Studies) 501, or an approved alternate if that is not being offered in a given year
   - Up to 6 credits may include courses required for your graduate or professional degree
   - Up to four of the fifteen credits may consist of graduate-level language instruction
2. First year competency in a South Asia Language, by course or proficiency exam
3. Students already enrolled in a Rackham or non-Rackham graduate degree program must complete at least one term before applying
4. All credits must be completed on the home campus, i.e., the campus on which the degree program is administered

Interested Students should submit the following to the Center:
- The Rackham Dual Degree Application
- A statement of purpose that explains the student’s interest in the Program
- An official current transcript
- A letter of recommendation from the student’s advisor. This letter should both endorse the decision to do the certificate and outline how it will complement the student’s advancement toward their degree

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