



Faculty of Arts

Chinese Societies at Melbourne



Why study Chinese Societies?

EXPLORE THE SOCIAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY OF CHINA

As one of our Asia-Pacific neighbours and a huge global power, China is a country whose culture, society and history is well worth exploring. When you take a minor in Chinese Societies, you'll approach the study of China from a range of perspectives. You'll combine humanities approaches, in which you'll focus on the language, culture, philosophy, religion and art of China, with social sciences approaches from disciplines such as political economy, sociology and anthropology.

You'll explore Chinese culture and society from the past to the present, and can choose from subjects in Chinese settler culture, empire, cinema and classic literature. If you're considering learning the Chinese language by taking a major in Chinese Studies, the Chinese Societies minor can be a great complement – but foundational studies in Chinese society will be useful to many other study areas as well.

WHERE CAN A MINOR IN CHINESE SOCIETIES TAKE YOU?

Being able to understand the cultural and social nuances of China is an invaluable asset in today's global job market. Studying a minor in Chinese Studies can complement the focus of your studies and enhance your employability in an array of professional roles. Depending on your major, you could apply your knowledge of China and your skills in intercultural competence in international trade, politics, foreign service, government, education, diplomacy, marketing, arts management, journalism and communications.

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China Since Mao

In this subject, you'll examine the cultural and social tendencies in contemporary china, and explore how they have developed from the socialist system. You'll analyse the culture of China's different social groups – men, women, young people, workers, farmers, the elites, minorities, intellectuals and business people – and gain a deeper understanding of the contemporary Chinese landscape.