

## **How would a Minor in Hmong Studies be of use to students?**

The minor can serve as a useful complement to another degree by providing students with additional language background, the possibility for study abroad, and greater knowledge of the region of Southeast Asia and China. The minor is a good way to apply methods or ways of thinking from one's major to a particular part of the world, and can allow students to use the region of Asia as well as the Hmong community as a case study for work in their primary discipline.

A minor in Hmong Studies will also provide a unique opportunity for students to augment their knowledge, language skills and cross-cultural expertise in a region and a community that is of strategic and global importance. Students who minor in Hmong Studies will be encouraged to participate in any of several different field studies as well as study abroad programs so as to gain first hand experiences in the region of Asia and the Hmong community.

## **Implementation Strategies: Course Titles**

The following courses will meet the minor requirements, which is 24 credits. Students could choose up to 24 credits from the following course offerings.

Coursework (24 credits):

- Introduction to Hmong Studies (2 credits)\*
- Introduction to Hmong History (4 credits)\*sunshine
- Hmong Literature and Art (4 credits)
- Hmong Culture and Society (4 credits)\*
- Reading and Writing Hmong (2 credits)
- Hmong Study Tour to(4 credits):
  - China
  - Vietnam
  - Laos
  - Thailand
- Hmong Cosmology and Beliefs (4 credits)\*

The following courses may also fulfill the minor requirements:

- International Relations (Political Science)
- Intercultural Communication (Global Studies)
- Minority Groups (Soc 358)
- Family Systems, Structures and Relationships (FAS400)
- Class and Community (Soc357)
- The Inclusive Classroom
- Teaching Literacy in a multicultural environment (Sped580)
- Language and Society (ED290)
- Human Diversity