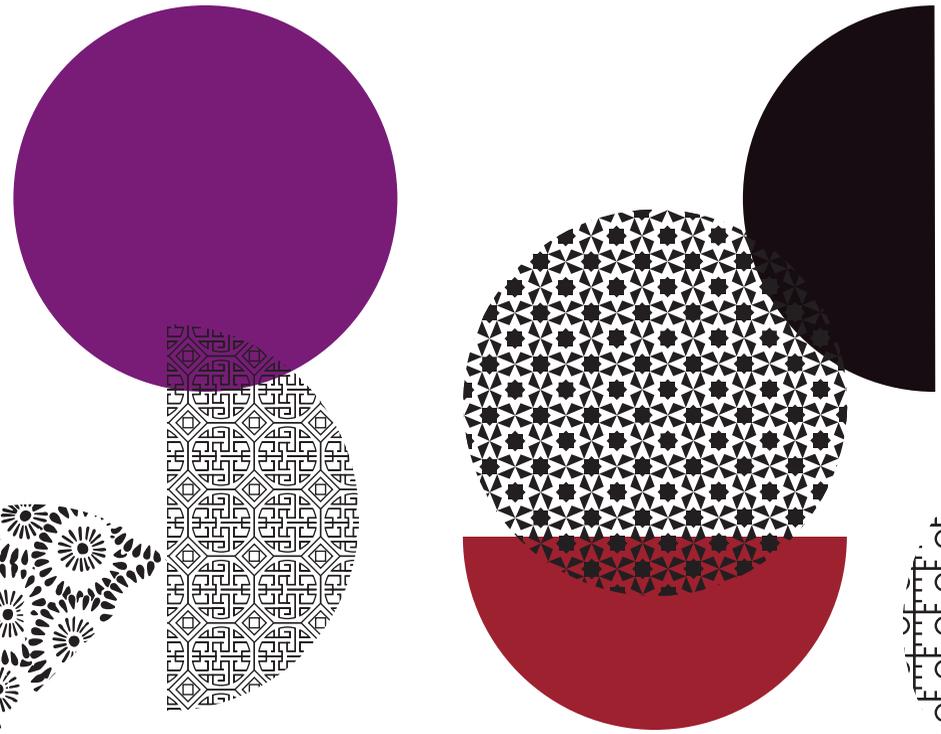
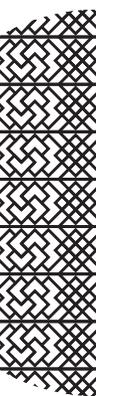


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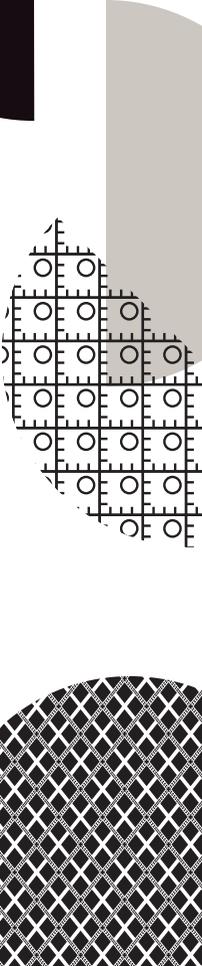


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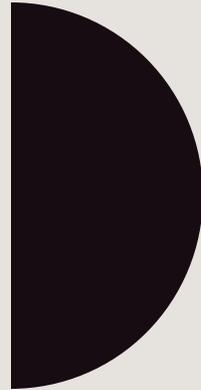
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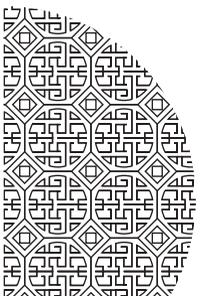
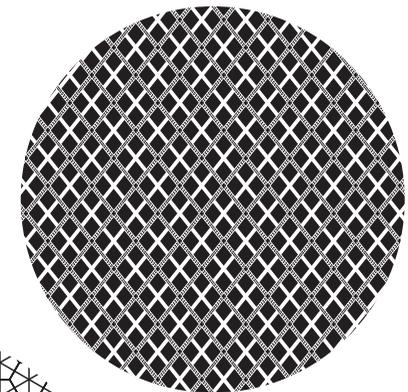
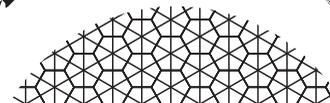
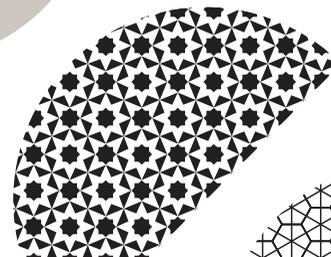
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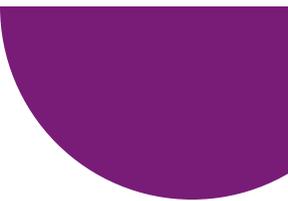
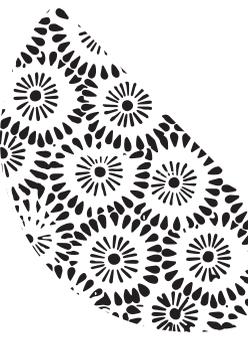


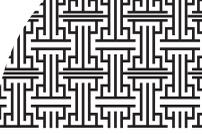
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is one of the world's leading centres of research excellence in Asian Studies. With over one hundred affiliated scholars working across the humanities and social sciences, the Asian Institute convenes and leads cross-regional, interdisciplinary research on Asia.

Our faculty and students offer meaningful insights into a wide range of crucial issues at stake in this dynamic region of the globe. Asia's breakneck urbanization processes, social media and communications revolutions, and growing environmental crises all offer new challenges and demand creative interventions. Meanwhile, the creation of local literary, visual, and archeological sites as fields of a contested colonial and postcolonial past provide rich pathways to greater understanding of the region's complexity.

The location of the Asian Institute at the University of Toronto, a premier university in a city with deep historical and vibrant contemporary ties to Asia, gives the Institute a rich academic and geographical anchor for research on Asia.





INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH

Composed of several focused yet interconnected centres, the Asian Institute builds from a foundation of area studies expertise – on Southeast Asia, East Asia, and South Asia – to develop conversations that reach across the region and beyond. We cultivate interdisciplinary encounters among faculty, students, and the public to spark new ideas and lines of inquiry.

From a wide range of disciplines across the University of Toronto, our faculty affiliates participate in making the Asian Institute a vibrant intellectual space. Through our cross-regional research programs, projects, and events, we provide scholars with the inspiration, support, and resources needed to produce leading-edge scholarship. Our pan-Asian approach furthers the deep, specialized knowledge about particular regions that is necessary to understand the complexities of local issues, while fostering transnational and interdisciplinary conversations that transcend and contextualize local viewpoints.

TEACHING PROGRAMS AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Our undergraduate and graduate programs further our research approach of balancing interdisciplinary regional specialization with pan-Asian and global conversations. Students are taught to challenge existing theoretical frameworks and address pressing real-world issues. The Asian Institute also offers distinctive hands-on learning experiences for students. Our curricular and extracurricular programs are at the vanguard of the University’s internationalization initiatives. We offer students life-changing field research opportunities at home and in Asia, and the firsthand knowledge they gain provides a crucial complement to their classroom learning.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

The Asian Institute is committed to public education about the historical and contemporary issues at the centre of faculty and student research. Individually and collaboratively with our constituent centres and other academic and cross-sectoral partners, the Asian Institute presents over one hundred academic events each year. Featuring the latest research of our own faculty and prominent scholars from around the globe, our events also place scholars and students in conversation with policymakers and industry leaders to address issues related to urbanization, poverty, global health, governance, climate change, and more.

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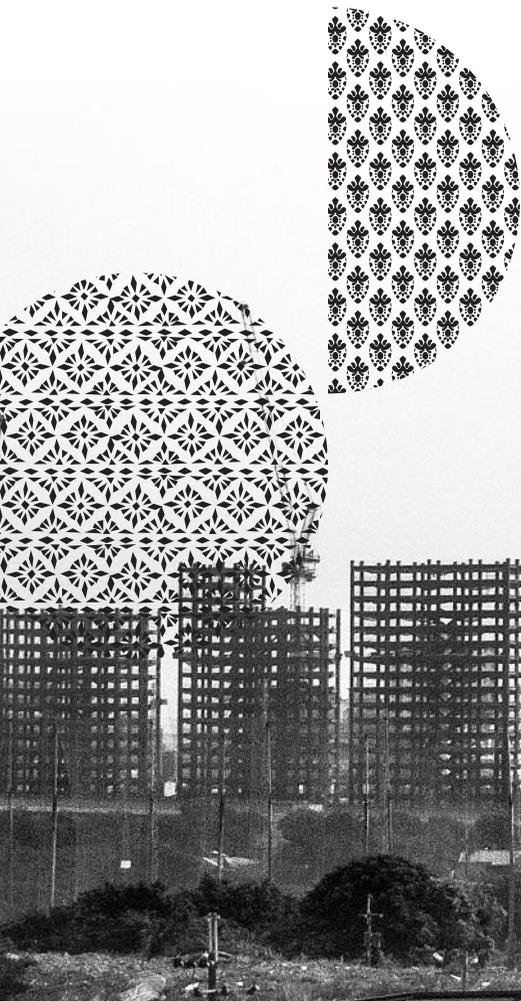


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“The Asian Institute has informed my global outlook. I am grateful for the unparalleled support and encouragement of staff and faculty, whose mentorship has made my student experience one of academic, professional, and personal growth.”

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