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SINGLE SUBJECT PROGRAM IN JAPANESE

The Japanese subject matter program at CSU Long Beach is designed to provide students with linguistic and cultural preparation and understanding of humanities for personal, social, intellectual and cognitive development as well as development of skills for economic self-sufficiency in the ever-intertwining world of global economy. It is intended to produce educators prepared in teaching Japanese with the communication proficiency, critical thinking skills, and sociocultural understanding essential for effective intercultural communication as well as pedagogical knowledge and training in teaching Japanese to diverse populations in our society.

The program requires a minimum of 30 semester units of upper division courses in Japanese as listed below under the four subject categories: Language, Linguistics, Culture, and Literature. Students should take 21 units of core courses and 9 units of electives. All upper division courses are conducted in the target language and require completion or equivalent of the four semesters of lower division Japanese language courses.

All upper division language courses are designed to develop competency in four skills and content. However, JAPN 311 and 312 emphasize spoken Japanese at advanced level, while JAPN 301 and 302 emphasize reading and writing at advanced level. The content courses represent three areas of study - Japanese culture, linguistics, and literature. The culture courses provide an overview of Japanese history from the pre-historic times to contemporary Japan, and an insight into Japanese culture and society. The linguistics courses introduce the sound, meaning, syntactic and discourse structure of language, and offer a comparison of Japanese and English as well as other languages. The literature course introduces selected major literary works, which will provide sources to cultivate literary appreciation and to develop cultural understanding of Japan.

A grade of "C" or better is required in all courses accepted for the Japanese program. The exit requirement is "Advanced" level Japanese language proficiency.

Core Requirements: 24 upper division units selected from the following four areas:

1. Language: JAPN 301, 302, 311, 312;
2. Linguistics: JAPN 461;
3. Literature: JAPN 471, and 421 or JAPN 370;
4. Culture: JAPN 451.

Electives: a total of 6 units selected from at least two different areas in consultation with a program advisor based on the student's background, interest, and teaching plans.

Language: JAPN 421, 422;
Linguistics: JAPN 462, 481;
Literature: JAPN 370;
Culture: JAPN 321; 350; 492;
Variable Subjects: JAPN 490; 497.