

**California State University, Long Beach
Policy Statement**

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Bachelors of Arts Degree in Japanese (code 2-8507)

The Bachelor of Arts program in Japanese at CSULB is designed to provide students with linguistic and cultural preparation supported by international perspectives 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. The proposed degree is a major intended to produce graduates who will have the communicative proficiency, critical thinking skills, and a sociocultural understanding for effective intercultural communication. The program will provide students with an opportunity and preparation to pursue a career involving the Pacific Rim nations, to go on to post-baccalaureate programs in the fields such as international affairs, business, law, journalism, public administration, or education, and/or to obtain a single subject teaching credential in Japanese.

The program is uniquely different from a traditional literature- oriented language program. It emphasizes pragmatic language studies aiming for acquisition of communication skills through communication based instruction, and providing knowledge of language and culture to develop appropriate understanding and attitudes for intercultural communication. The program will be supported by a variety of discipline-specific courses as well as interdisciplinary courses in Anthropology, Art, Asian Studies, Asian American Studies, Business, Comparative Literature, Economics, Education, Geography, History, International Studies, Linguistics, Philosophy, Political Sciences, Religious Studies, Speech Communication, and other programs offering Japan-related topics.

Planning a Program of Study:

The student and undergraduate advisor should plan a coherent program that both fulfills the requirements of the major and covers the student's areas of interest in allied fields outside the Japanese language.

Students are placed in Japanese courses according to their years of previous study. In general, one year of high school Japanese taken in the United States is equated with one semester of CSULB work. Thus, students with one, two, three, and four years of high school work will most often enroll in JAPN 102, 201, 202, and 301 respectively.

Students with background in Japanese gained through primary or secondary school work taken in a country where Japanese is spoken must consult with the faculty to determine their proper placement level. Those who have gained substantial knowledge of Japanese either through secondary school work or through college-level language courses may not repeat those courses for credit.

Students are encouraged to study in Japan, either through the CSU Study Abroad Program or independently, after completing at least two years of study (or its equivalent) of Japanese at CSULB.

Residence Requirement for the Majors:

At least five upper division courses required for the major must be completed successfully at CSULB. Students are encouraged, however, to complete up to a year of their language study in approved programs of study abroad.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Japanese:

A minimum of 44 units is required, including at least 15 units earned in residence at CSULB.

JAPN 101 and 102 are prerequisite to the major and may be satisfied by appropriate high school preparation or by examination. Required courses include 23 units core courses and 21 units electives from the following three areas; 1. language and language-related courses (12 units), 2. Japanese civilization courses (6 units), and 3. Japan-related or intercultural communication courses (3 units).

Lower Division Required Courses (8 units):

8 units Core Courses: JAPN 201, 202

Upper Division Required Courses (36 units)

A. 15 units Core Courses: JAPN 301, 302, 311, 312, 451

B. 21 units Electives selected from the following three areas:

1. 12 units selected from JAPN 321, 350, 370, 421, 422, 461, 462, 471, 490, 492, 497.

2. 6 units selected from ANTH 335, A/ST 393I, ART470, HIST 383A, 383B, 384, 407, POSC 363, R/ST 344.

3. 3 units selected from ANTH 307I, 412I, 413, 490*, ASAM 330, 345, A/ST 300I, 301I, 310, 320, 406, 424, 490*, 492, 495I, C/LT 326, 403, ECON 370, 471, EDSS 450F, GEOG 307I, 312I, H/SC 420I, HIST 307I, 382B, 406, 478, 495*, JOUR 312, PHIL 306, POSC 362, 371, 378, 480, 483, 485, 489, 497*, PSY 439, RTVF 392, R/ST 341I, SBC 317I, 318I, 319I, SOC 350, SPCH 309, 451, THEA 326, W/ST 401I, 406.

* Special topics courses in departments which regularly offer topical courses pertinent to the program.

Core Courses and Electives are as follows:

A. Core Courses (23 units):

JAPN 201 (4) (former JAPN 331A), JAPN 202 (4) (former JAPN 331B), JAPN 301 (3) (former JAPN 441A), JAPN 302 (3) (former JAPN 441B), JAPN 311 (3) (former JAPN 405A), JAPN 312 (3) (former JAPN 405B), JAPN 451 (3) (in Japanese),

B. Electives (21 units) selected from:

1. Language and Language Related Courses - 12 units selected from: JAPN 321 (3) (former JAPN 300), JAPN 350 (3), JAPN 370 (3), JAPN 421 (3) (former JAPN 460), JAPN 422 (3), JAPN 461 (3), JAPN 462 (3), JAPN 471 (3), JAPN 490 (1-3), JAPN 492 (1-3), JAPN 497 (1-6) (former JAPN 499);

2. Japanese Civilization (taught in English): 6 units selected from: ANTH 335 (3), A/ST 393I (3), ART 470 (3), HIST 383A (3), HIST 383B (3), HIST 384 (3), HIST 407 (3), POSC 363 (3), R/ST 344 (3);

3. Japan-Related or Intercultural Communication Courses - 3 units selected from: ANTH 307I (3), ANTH 412I (3), ANTH 413 (3), ANTH 490* (3), ASAM 330 (3), ASAM 345 (4), A/ST 300I (3), A/ST 301I (3), A/ST 310 (3), A/ST 320 (3), A/ST 406 (3), A/ST 424 (3), A/ST 490* (3), A/ST 492 (3), A/ST 495I (3), C/LT 326 (3), C/LT 403 (3), ECON 370 (3), ECON 471 (3), EDSS 450F (3), GEOG 307I (3), GEOG 312I (3), H/SC 420I (3), HIST 307I (3), HIST 382B (3), HIST 406 (3), HIST 478 (3), HIST 495* (3), JOUR 312 (3), PHIL 306 (3), POSC 362 (3), POSC 371 (3), POSC 378 (3), POSC 480 (3), POSC 483 (3), POSC 485 (3), POSC 489 (3), POSC 497* (3), PSY 439 (3), RTVF 392 (3), R/ST 341I (3), I/ST 317I (3), I/ST 318I (3), I/ST 319I (3), SOC 350 (3), SPCH 309 (3), SPCH 451 (3), THEA 326 (3), W/ST 401I (3), W/ST 406 (3),

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