

# Japanese Studies

College of Liberal Arts  
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## B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

This program provides an in-depth study of Japanese language and culture aimed at applying linguistic skills and cultural insights to specific career opportunities.

Japanese is classified among the most difficult of foreign languages for American students. The highlight of the major is, therefore, one semester of intensive study in Japan during the junior or senior year. This interdisciplinary program culminates in a senior seminar on contemporary Japan. Students will begin their research project for the seminar while studying at our exchange university, Nagoya Gakuin, or at another pre-approved program. Students are encouraged to use this major in conjunction with a discipline-based major.

### Major—B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 116).
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 120).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:
  - GEOG 311W—Geography of Asia (3)  
or PS 321—International Politics (3)  
or PS 464W—East Asian Governments and Politics (3) ..... 3
  - HIST 122—East Asian Civilization (3)  
or HIST 331—Modern Japan (3) ..... 3
  - JPN 301—Advanced Japanese\*\* (3) and  
JPN 302O—Advanced Japanese\*\* (3)  
or JPN 431—Studies in Japanese Culture (3) and  
JPN 432—Studies in Japanese Language (3)  
or equivalent in Japan (6) ..... 6
  - JPN 331W—Women's Voices in Japanese Literature (3)  
or JPN 332—Japanese Cultural Traditions and Arts (3) ..... 3
  - JPN 397—Advanced language study in Japan (12)  
or JPN 497—Advanced language study in Japan (12) ..... 12
  - JPN 475—Seminar on Contemporary Japan ..... 3
4. Complete one career concentration area:\*\*\* ..... 6
5. Minimum credits required ..... 120

\* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

\*\* These courses are offered in the Japanese language. Students may study in Japan during their junior year, as long as they complete a minimum of 18 credits of Japanese language at the upper-division level to fulfill the Japanese studies core requirements. 15 credits of language may be taken in Japan, and at least three upper-division language credits must be taken in residence at UAF.

\*\*\* Complete two additional courses (minimum 6 credits within or closely related to the minor discipline at the upper-division level). Because Japanese Studies is an interdisciplinary program, students are required to select a minor within a specific discipline. For example, a general business minor with two additional courses in marketing. Written approval of advisor required.

Note: Students planning a double major for a single B.A. may double count a maximum of 9 credits from the major requirements toward a second major. Students earning two degrees (B.A./B.B.A.) are not subject to double counting restrictions.

## Baccalaureate Core Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.  
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

### COMMUNICATION (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
*ENGL 190H may be substituted.*

Complete one of the following:

ENGL 211X OR ENGL 213X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following:

COMM 131X OR COMM 141X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH 100X/SOC 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ECON 100X OR PS 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
HIST 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ENGL/FL 200X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X,  
PS 300X OR PHIL 322X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS**

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language **OR**
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

### MATHEMATICS (3)

Complete one of the following:

MATH 103X, MATH 107X, MATH 161X OR STAT 200X ..... (3-4) \_\_\_\_\_  
*\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X.*

**OR complete one of the following:\***

MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X,  
MATH 262X OR MATH 272X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite*

### NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM 101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 105X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 106X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 105X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 106X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOG 205X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 120X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 125X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
MSL 111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 102X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 115X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 116X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 175X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 211X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 212X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 213X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_

### LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test **OR**

LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing ..... (0-1) \_\_\_\_\_

### UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

Complete the following:

Two writing intensive courses designated (W) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_  
One oral communication intensive course designated (O) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_  
**OR** two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED** ..... **38-39**