

Japan Studies Minor

The Japan Studies Program offers a non-teaching, interdisciplinary minor in Japan Studies through the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures. The program's mission is to provide students with the skills and understanding they need to succeed in Japanese contexts. This program is not designed for teacher certification. The minor requires basic Japanese language proficiency and a broad knowledge of Japanese history, literature, and civilization. It includes 12 credits in Japanese language training and 15-16 credits in elective coursework, for a total of 27-28 credits.

In order to receive the minor, students must successfully complete the following course work:

Required

JPNS 101	Elementary Japanese I	3
JPNS 102D	Elementary Japanese II	3
JPNS 201D	Intermediate Japanese I	3
JPNS 202D	Intermediate Japanese II	3
Take one of these lower division electives:		3-4
JPNS 150D	Japanese Culture & Civ	
HSTR 145D	Reinventing Japan	
Choose three upper division electives:		9
HSTR 340	Age of the Shoguns	
HSTR 342	Japan's Meiji Revolution	
HSTR 445	Environ, Health & Sci in Japan	
JPNS 305	Japanese Adv Conversations	
JPNS 320	Classical Japanese Literature	
JPNS 321	Modern Japanese Literature	
JPNS 325IH	Outcast Literature	
JPNS 340	Japanese Adv Reading & Grammar	
JPNS 361IH	Japanese Text and Cinema	
Total Credits		24-25

Not all courses may be taken in the same department. Credits earned for Japanese language study abroad may be applied to both the Language Requirement and the Upper Division Electives; but students must fulfill the Lower Division Electives at MSU. Study abroad students may transfer a maximum of 3 content course credits per semester.