

Japan Studies (Minor)

Over the next two decades, the nations of the Pacific Rim will continue to grow and exert global influence in the areas of culture, business and economics, international relations. The Japan Studies Minor provides students with an understanding of the language, culture and history of Japan and gives students a foundation on which to explore the future of this nation and its relations with others through out the world. Students of any major who intend to work overseas or in multicultural settings and firms within the United States will find this minor very useful.

Admissions

To be admitted to the program, a student must have a GPA of at least 2.0. Application for admission to any University minor program is now available via MyPack Portal. Admission will be based upon the student's academic record, and in most cases no longer requires departmental review. Go to the Add a Minor (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/coda-home/add-a-minor/>) page to apply. (Students may declare the minor when they are enrolled in a class that counts toward the minor.)

Certification

Students should declare the minor as soon as they have completed the first course for the minor, and complete their course work according to their minor degree audit, and the minor requirements. Students can monitor their progress toward completing the minor by viewing their Minor Degree Audit online, anytime, in MyPack Portal. Questions regarding unmet course requirements on the Minor Degree Audit (indicated by a red 'X') should be directed to the Minor Coordinator, below. Students contact the Director of Undergraduate Advising (<https://wlc.chass.ncsu.edu/about/contact-us/>), once they have completed all of their courses for the minor, or during the registration period for the student's final semester at NC State, in order to complete the final certification of the minor. Students will receive official recognition on their transcripts for the completed minor.

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Plan Requirements

- Completion of 15 credit hours is required.
- 3 hours (1 course) of Japanese language instruction at or above WLJA 202 Intermediate Japanese II level required. (If students wish to do a minor consisting of all Japanese language courses, please apply to the Japanese Minor instead of the Japan Studies Minor.)
- 6 hours (2 courses) of Upper-level Japan Related Electives from approved course list required.
- 6 additional hours (2 courses) of Elective courses from approved course list required.
- Nine (9) credit hours must be taken at NC State and a maximum of six (6) credit hours may be transferred into the minor from another institution. The Department of World Languages and Cultures will determine which courses transferred from other institutions may qualify to meet requirements for the minor.

- A minimum grade of 'C' for all courses taken toward the completion of the minor.
- A maximum of TWO (2) courses may double-count between major departmental requirements and courses counting toward the minor.
- A maximum of TWO (2) courses may double-count between courses counting toward this minor and additional minors.
- No courses for the minor may be taken for S/U credit.

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Code	Title	Hours
Required Course (Intermediate Japanese II or Higher)		3
WLJA 202	Intermediate Japanese II	
WLJA 204	Intermediate Japanese II Conversation	
WLJA 301	Intermediate Japanese III	
WLJA 302	Intermediate Japanese IV	
WLJA 401	Advanced Japanese I	
WLJA 402	Advanced Japanese II	
Upper-level, Japan-related Electives		6
WLJA 301	Intermediate Japanese III	
WLJA 302	Intermediate Japanese IV	
WLJA 342	Classical Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 344	Early Modern Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 345	Modern Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 351	Contemporary Culture in Japan	
WLJA 401	Advanced Japanese I	
WLJA 402	Advanced Japanese II	
HI 371	Modern Japan, 1850 to Present	
HI 473	Japan's Empire in Asia, 1868-1945	
PS 342	Politics of China and Japan	
REL 332	The Buddhist Traditions	
REL 334	Japanese Religions	
With the Minor advisor's approval, additional Japan-related courses, such as FL/ENG 394 may fulfill the upper-level course requirement.		
Elective Courses		6
WL 219	Studies in Great Works of Non-Western Literature	
WLJA 201	Intermediate Japanese I	
WLJA 203	Intermediate Japanese Conversation	
WLJA 204	Intermediate Japanese II Conversation	
WLJA 301	Intermediate Japanese III	
WLJA 302	Intermediate Japanese IV	
WLJA 342	Classical Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 344	Early Modern Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 345	Modern Japanese Literature in Translation	
WLJA 351	Contemporary Culture in Japan	
WLJA 401	Advanced Japanese I	
WLJA 402	Advanced Japanese II	
HI 263	Asian Civilizations to 1800	
HI 264	Modern Asia: 1800 to Present	
HI 473	Japan's Empire in Asia, 1868-1945	
PS 342	Politics of China and Japan	
REL 230	Asian Religions	
REL 332	The Buddhist Traditions	

REL 334 Japanese Religions

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Total Hours 15