# BA in Asian Studies (Japanese Studies)

**Units required for Major:** 36  
**Total units required for BA:** 120

*These 36 units include 12 units of study in a student’s chosen concentration and units equivalent to the last two semesters of an Asian language appropriate to student’s concentration by coursework or a language proficiency examination provided by the Department of Foreign Languages (see below)*

## Program Description

Pacific Asia, including the nation states on the Asian shores of the Pacific Rim, the Koreas, Japan, China, Taiwan, the Philippines, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei Darussalam, and Indonesia, is a region of great economic, political and strategic importance, possessing immense natural and human resources.

The major is designed to provide students with a coherent introduction to the language, history, and culture of Asian societies on the western rim of the Pacific Basin. While focusing on Pacific Asia, the program also supports the study of cultures from the Indian subcontinent and other regions of Asia. Each concentration provides an interdisciplinary understanding of the major social and historical forces at work in the region, supported by appropriate language training.

Graduates of the program either continue their studies at graduate institutions or utilize their knowledge and training through employment in government, business or education relating to this increasingly important region of the world.

## Program Requirements

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<td>ART 3A</td>
<td>Traditional Asian Art</td>
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<td>ASIA 198</td>
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<td>Arts and Ideas of Asia: Ancient to Medieval</td>
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<td>or MUSC 119A</td>
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**Concentration Requirements (12 Units)**

Select four courses from one of the following concentrations: 12

- Japanese Studies Concentration
- Chinese Studies Concentration
- South and Southeast Asian Concentration
- Korean Studies Concentration

**Electives (9 Units)**

Select 9 units from three different groupings: 2 9

### Group 1: Japan

- ANTH 134 | Japanese Culture and Society
- HIST 146A | Cultural History of Japan to 1800

### Group 2: China

- ANTH 148 | Anthropology of Chinese Societies
- CHIN 120 | Chinese Civilization
- CHIN 150 | Survey of Chinese Literature
- HIST 148A | China: Antiquity to 1600 AD
- HIST 148B | China, 1600 to Present
- HRS 172 | The Classical Culture of China
- HRS 173 | Chinese Philosophy and Religion
- PHIL 145A | Chinese Philosophy

### Group 3: Korea

- ASIA 134 | History of Modern Korea
- ASIA 135 | Contemporary Korean Culture
- ASIA 136 | Korean Development and Behavior
- ART 117C | Art of Korea
- EDUC 128 | Education and Communication in Korean Society

### Group 4: South and South-East Asia

- ANTH 147 | Peoples of Southeast Asia
- ANTH 149 | Cultures of South Asia
- ART 117A | Art of India and Southeast Asia
- ASIA 151 | Genocide in Southeast Asia
- GEOG 125 | Geography Of East Asia
- HIST 144 | Indonesia, 1965: Context, Causes, and Consequences of Cold War Mass Murder
- HIST 145 | South Asian History & Civilization
- HIST 149 | The Making of Modern Southeast Asia
- HIST/HRS 147 | History of Buddhism
- HRS 178 | Religions of India
- PHIL 145B | Philosophies Of India

### Group 5: Asian-American

- ENGL 180M | Asian American Literature
- ETHN 110 | The Asian American Experience
- ETHN 111 | Southeast Asians in the US
- ETHN 112 | Contemporary Asian American Issues
- ETHN 113 | Asian American Communities
- ETHN 114 | Asian Americans and Globalization
- ETHN 116 | Asian American Politics and Public Policy
- ETHN/WOMS 118 | Asian American Women
- ETHN 119 | The Filipino American Experience
- ETHN 121 | Hmong American Experiences
- ETHN 122 | Sikh Americans and Globalization
- ETHN 167 | Asian American Families: Issues and Perspectives

### Group 6: Pan-Asia

- ASIA 110 | Anthropology of Contemporary Asia
- ART 113B | Asian Art and Mythology
- ART 115 | Topics in Asian Art
- ART 117B | Art of China and Japan
- ASIA/HIST 140 | Modern East Asian Cinema
### Concentration in Japanese Studies (12 units)

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### General Education Requirements

1. **Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)**
   - A1 - Oral Communication 3 units
   - A2 - Written Communication 3 units
   - A3 - Critical Thinking 3 units

2. **Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)**
   - B1 - Physical Science 3 units
   - B2 - Life Forms 3 units
   - B3 - Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5) 1 unit
   - B4 - Math Concepts 3 units
   - B5 - Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. 3 units

3. **Area C: Arts and Humanities (3 Units)**
   - C1 - Arts 0 units
   - C2 - Humanities 0 units
   - C1/C2 - Area C Course 0 units
   - C1/C2 - Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. 3 units

4. **Area D: The Individual and Society (12 Units)**
   - Area D Course 3 units
   - Area D Course 3 units
   - Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. 3 units

5. **Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)**
   - Area E Course 3 units

**Total Units**: 40

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1. Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

2. Students must take 9 units of electives from three different groupings. Students are not permitted to take an elective from their area of concentration. In other words, Japanese Studies Concentration Majors cannot take courses from group 1, Chinese Studies Concentration Majors cannot take courses from group 2, and Southeast Asia Concentration Majors cannot take courses from group 3.

3. Students must demonstrate proficiency at a level equivalent to four semesters of an Asian language appropriate to their concentration by coursework or a language proficiency examination provided by the Department of Foreign Languages. Students concentrating in South or Southeast Asia can demonstrate proficiency in any South or Southeast Asian Language.
### Graduation Requirements

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<td>Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement (^{2,3})</td>
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1. To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (http://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/).

**Note:** There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (http://www.csus.edu/acad/), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

2. Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

3. If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required."

The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html