

BA in East Asian Languages & Cultures with concentration in Japanese Language & Literature

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in East Asian Languages & Culture with a concentration in Japanese Language & Literature. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill Core 34, please visit the KU Core 34 page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/>).

Freshman		
Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
JPN 104 (1st Semester Language (BA Second Language), Major Requirement - FALL ONLY)	5 JPN 108 (2nd Semester Language (BA Second Language), Major Requirement - SPRING ONLY)	5
Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3 BA Quantitative Reasoning (BAQR)	3
Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3 Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3 Core 34: Communications (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3
	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3
	14	17

Sophomore		
Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
JPN 204 (3rd Semester Language (BA Second Language), Major Requirement - FALL ONLY)	5 JPN 208 (4th Semester Language (BA Second Language), Major Requirement - SPRING ONLY)	5
ECIV 104, 304, or 305 (Core 34: Global Culture (SGE), Major Requirement) ^{070*}	3 Pre-Modern Japan or Pre-Modern East Asia – EALC 300+ elective (Major Requirement)	3
Core 34: Social and Behavioral Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3 Core 34: US Culture (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3 Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE) ⁰⁴⁰	4-5
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3 BA Laboratory/Field Experience (LFE)	1
	17	16-17

Junior		
Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
JPN 504 (Major Requirement - FALL ONLY)	5 JPN 508 (Major Requirement - SPRING ONLY)	5
EALC 312 (Pre-modern Japanese Literature, Major Requirement)	3 EALC 316 (Modern or Contemporary Japanese Literature or Film, Major Requirement)	3
EALC 142 (Recommended - FALL ONLY)	3 Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3
	14	14

Senior		
Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
CHIN 562, 544, JPN 562, EALC 498, or EALC 499 (Capstone) ¹	3 JPN 564 or EALC 570 (Major Requirement - SPRING ONLY)	3
JPN 562 (Major Requirement - FALL ONLY)	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3
EALC 325, 303, or 353 (Modern Japan or Modern East Asia, Major Requirement)	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ²	3
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	15	13

Total Hours 120-121

¹ Typically the Capstone course will be fulfilled using a class required by the major and also approved as a Capstone course. Capstone-course selection should be discussed with an advisor.
² Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through Core 34, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

Electives for EALC must be taken at the 300+ level.

“East Asia” courses – clarification: when asked for a course on East Asia, the course must cover East Asia broadly, i.e., with the great majority of the content on Japan AND China AND Korea – all three. In most cases the term “East Asia” will be in the course title.

Notes:

* - This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

** - This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program's faculty.

*** - This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.