

JAPANESE

Program Description

The study of Japanese is an excellent choice for students in the Bay Area since a considerable amount of business and trade occurs with Japan by California industries. The electronics and gaming industries are especially interested in employing persons who speak Japanese and are familiar with Japanese customs. It is an excellent major or minor for those who plan graduate work in business, electronics/gaming, or law.

Learn more about the program on the [Japanese website](#).

Program Learning Outcomes

- The student will be able to communicate with native speakers of Japanese, using the appropriate language, styles, sensitivity, and level of respectfulness in various situations.
- The student will demonstrate knowledge of Japanese society, culture, and history, and will be able to analyze and discuss cultural differences and similarities.

Award Type(s)

- AA = Associate in Arts Degree

Units Required

- Major: 40

Associate Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Units
English Proficiency		
Select one of the following:		
ENGL 1A	COMPOSITION & READING	5
ENGL 1AH	HONORS COMPOSITION & READING	5
ESLL 26	ADVANCED COMPOSITION & READING	5
or equivalent		
Ethnic Studies		
Any course in the ETHN (Ethnic Studies) subject code, currently approved for Area F of CSU GE and Area 7 of IGETC		
Mathematics Proficiency		
College-level math course at or above the level of Intermediate Algebra		

A minimum of 90 units is required¹ to include:

- Completion of one of the following general education patterns: Foothill General Education, CSU General Education Breadth Requirements or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)
- Core courses (30 units)
- Support courses (10 units)

¹ Additional elective course work may be necessary to meet the 90-unit minimum requirement for the associate degree.

Note: All courses pertaining to the major must be taken for a letter grade. In addition, a grade of "C" or better is required for all core and support courses used for the degree.

Core and Support Courses

Code	Title	Units
Core Courses		
JAPN 1	ELEMENTARY JAPANESE I ¹	5
JAPN 2	ELEMENTARY JAPANESE II ¹	5
JAPN 3	ELEMENTARY JAPANESE III ¹	5
JAPN 4	INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE I	5
JAPN 5	INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE II	5
JAPN 6	INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE III	5
Support Courses		
Select 10 units from the following:		10
JAPN 13A	INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATION I	
JAPN 13B	INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATION II	
JAPN 14A	ADVANCED CONVERSATION I	
JAPN 14B	ADVANCED CONVERSATION II	
Total Units		40

¹ For students who can demonstrate proficiency equivalent to one year of college Japanese, JAPN 1, JAPN 2, and JAPN 3 may be waived. However, if you are waived out of JAPN 1, JAPN 2, JAPN 3 (15 units), you must take at least 12 units from the support courses to complete a minimum of 27 units in JAPN courses (15 units of core courses + 12 units of support courses).