

# Japanese

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<b>Overview:</b>	<p>The Japanese program at the Asia Institute is one of the largest Japanese programs in Australia. The language subjects (taught at a range of levels, from beginner to advanced) are designed to maximise acquisition of the language and to develop their communication skills in various types of texts, interactional contexts and strategic aspects of meaning making. The curriculum also allows students to develop a broad understanding of cultural, social and historical aspects of Japan. Japanese Studies subjects such as Social Problems in Japan help students understand the complexity and diversity of the society, and challenge stereotypes. Teaching staff create a meeting place where students from a variety of cultural backgrounds can explore intercultural language activities to promote intercultural as well as communicative competence.</p> <p>Japanese language subjects are organised in a progressive sequence (of units) from Japanese 1 through to Japanese 8. Entry and exit points are determined by the student's background in the language, placement testing, prerequisites, or at the discretion of the Japanese program. Students normally progress through the subjects in consecutive order. Mid-year entry is also possible into subjects with even numbers, subject to appropriate prior experience and approval from the convenor of the Japanese program.</p>
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p>Students who complete this major will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Gain effective oral and written communication skills in Japanese, and an in-depth knowledge of Japanese language, culture and society, relative to their entry level, and develop a capacity to combine knowledge of the Japanese language with one or more disciplines through critical research inquiry.</li> <li># Gain knowledge of the social and cultural diversity of Japan and develop the skills to work with people from diverse linguistic and cultural backgrounds.</li> <li># Gain the ability to set goals and manage time and priorities and work effectively both independently and in groups.</li> </ul>
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<p>Students study Japanese as a Major (100 points) or Minor (75 points) through a progression of six language subjects. The Major also includes an additional two electives.</p> <p>The entry points for the Major and Minor are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Japanese 1 entry point: Students who have never studied Japanese before or have only rudimentary knowledge of the language usually enter the progression at Japanese 1.</li> <li># Japanese 3 entry point: Students who have completed VCE Japanese (Second language), IB or have an equivalent language level usually enter the progression at Japanese 3.</li> <li># Japanese 5 entry point: Students who perform at an intermediate level in Japanese, for example those who have completed VCE or IB with excellent results or have an equivalent language level usually enter the progression at Japanese 5.</li> <li># Japanese 7 entry point: Students who perform at an advanced level in Japanese, for example those who hold N3 of JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) or have lived or studied in Japan usually enter the progression at Japanese 7.</li> <li># Super advanced Japanese: Students with a very advanced level of language study, including for example those who attended several years of Japanese medium school or have spent several years in a Japanese speaking environment would normally begin their study of Japanese with one of the advanced language subjects.</li> </ul> <p>Students will have their appropriate entry point determined by the Japanese Program, based on evidence of prior learning and/or results of a placement test as required. Please refer the following link for further information: <a href="http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/help/undergraduate_students/placement">http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/help/undergraduate_students/placement</a> (<a href="http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/help/undergraduate_students/placement">http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/help/undergraduate_students/placement</a>)</p>

Students completing a major in Japanese will usually undertake 25 points at level one, 37.5 points at level two and 37.5 points at level three. Students completing a minor in Japanese will usually undertake 25 points at level one, 25 points at level two and 25 points at level three.

**Subject Options:****JAPANESE 1 ENTRY POINT****Japanese 1 entry point - Level 1**

Students completing a Japanese major or minor with an Japanese 1 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 1 and Japanese 2 were formerly called Japanese 1A and 1B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN10001 Japanese 1	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN10002 Japanese 2	Semester 2	12.50

**Japanese 1 entry point - Level 2**

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 1 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete Japanese 3 and Japanese 4 (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 3 and Japanese 4 were formerly called Japanese 2A and 2B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN20007 Japanese 3	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN20008 Japanese 4	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN20002 Introduction to Japanese Communication	Semester 2	12.50

**Japanese 1 entry point - Level 3**

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 1 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete Japanese 5 and Japanese 6 (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 5 and Japanese 6 were formerly called Japanese 3A and 3B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN30007 Japanese 5	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN30008 Japanese 6	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN30010 Sign and Symbols in Japanese	Semester 1	12.50

**JAPANESE 3 ENTRY POINT****Japanese 3 entry point - Level 1**

Students completing a Japanese major or minor with a Japanese 3 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 3 and Japanese 4 were formerly called Japanese 2A and 2B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN10007 Japanese 3	Semester 1	12.50

JAPN10008 Japanese 4	Semester 2	12.50
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### Japanese 3 entry point - Level 2

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 3 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete Japanese 5 and Japanese 6 (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 5 and Japanese 6 were formerly called Japanese 3A and 3B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN20013 Japanese 5	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN20014 Japanese 6	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN20009 Sign and Symbols in Japanese	Semester 1	12.50

### Japanese 3 entry point - Level 3

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 3 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete Japanese 7 and Japanese 8 (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 7 and Japanese 8 were formerly called Japanese 4A and 4B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN30005 Japanese 7	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN30006 Japanese 8	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN30013 Japanese Grammar in Action	Semester 2	12.50

## JAPANESE 5 ENTRY POINT

### Japanese 5 entry point - Level 1

Students completing a Japanese major or minor with a Japanese 5 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 5 and Japanese 6 were formerly called Japanese 3A and 3B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN10003 Japanese 5	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN10004 Japanese 6	Semester 2	12.50

### Japanese 5 entry point - Level 2

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 5 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are required to complete Japanese 7 and Japanese 8 (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 7 and Japanese 8 were formerly called Japanese 4A and 4B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN20003 Japanese 7	Semester 1	12.50

JAPN20004 Japanese 8	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN20010 Japanese Grammar in Action	Semester 2	12.50

### Japanese 5 entry point - Level 3

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 5 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete two of the following subjects (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN30012 Variation in Japanese Language	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN30004 Japanese through the Media	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN30011 Reading Japanese Literature	Semester 2	12.50

### JAPANESE 7 ENTRY POINT

#### Japanese 7 entry point - Level 1

Students completing a Japanese major or minor with a Japanese 7 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (25 points).

*Note:*

*Japanese 7 and Japanese 8 were formerly called Japanese 4A and 4B respectively*

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN10005 Japanese 7	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN10006 Japanese 8	Semester 2	12.50

#### Japanese 7 entry point - Level 2

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 7 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese Minor are only required to complete JAPN20012 and JAPN20011 (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN20012 Variation in Japanese Language	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN20011 Reading Japanese Literature	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN20005 Contemporary Japan	Semester 1	12.50

#### Japanese 7 entry point - Level 3

Students completing the Japanese major with a Japanese 7 entry point are required to complete the following subjects (37.5 points).

Students completing the Japanese minor are only required to complete JAPN30004 and JAPN30003 (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN30004 Japanese through the Media	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN30003 Japanese Through Translation	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN30002 Social Problems in Japan	Semester 2	12.50

### SUPER ADVANCED ENTRY POINT

NOTE: Only a minor is available for students beginning at the Super Advanced Entry Point.

**Super Advanced Entry Point - Level 1**

Students completing the Japanese minor with an Advanced entry point are required to complete the following subjects at Level 1 (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN10010 Variation in Japanese Language	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN10009 Reading Japanese Literature	Semester 2	12.50

**Super Advanced Entry Point - Level 2**

Students completing the Japanese minor with an Advanced entry point are required to complete the following subjects at level 2 (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN20005 Contemporary Japan	Semester 1	12.50
JAPN20018 Japanese Through the Media	Semester 1	12.50

**Super Advanced Entry Point - Level 3**

Students completing the Japanese minor with an Advanced entry point are required to complete the following subjects at level 3 (25 points).

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
JAPN30003 Japanese Through Translation	Semester 2	12.50
JAPN30002 Social Problems in Japan	Semester 2	12.50

**Links to further information:**

<http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/study/japanese>

**Related Course(s):**

Bachelor of Arts