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HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

Events

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit **ealc.berkeley.edu** for news and updates.

ADVISING

Students can sign up for appointments with an advisor by visiting **calendly.com/ealc_advising**. Email questions to **ealc-advising@berkeley.edu**.

Advising Appointment Hours:

Monday - Friday 9am - 12pm, 1 - 4pm

For general information about the major, visit ealc.berkeley.edu/programs/undergraduate.

Visit **ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps** for the latest version of this major map.

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East Asian Languages and Cultures
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JAPANESE LANGUAGE

Bachelor of Arts



INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The **Japanese Language** major trains students on the humanistic investigation of major East Asian traditions through a curriculum that focuses on the modern and classical forms of the language; reading works in their historical and cultural contexts; and introducing students to the vast array of artistic, literary and philosophical traditions of East Asia and their transformations in modernity.

UC Berkeley is a world-renowned center for the study of East Asian Humanities. Whether you want to master Japanese, immerse yourself in the literary traditions of East Asia, absorb the profound insights of its philosophical and historical texts, or come to a deeper understanding of the modern and contemporary visuals and sonic media cultures of this complex and vital region, the East Asian Language and Cultures program has something for you.



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** EALC not only nurtures me into a young scholar but also a more complete person. >>

- Yisheng Tang, EALC graduate

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

- If you are interested in the language or culture but choose not to major in Japanese, ask about our minors in Buddhist Studies, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Tibetan.
- If you are interested in the Japanese language and wish to focus on Japanese religion and philosophy, consider the East Asian Religion, Thought and Culture major.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Immerse yourself in Japanese culture with the Pan Pacific Foundation Homestay Program in Japan.
- Publish your work in the Berkeley Student Journal of Asian Studies.
- Get international work experience with a **Berkeley Global Internship** in Tokyo.
- Visit the Institute of East Asian Studies, the C.V. Starr East Asian Library, and other Friends+Partners of EALC.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE

internship fair.

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DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY

Attend career and graduate school fairs.



	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
Explore _				
your major Connect	Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans. Familiarize yourself with the major and college requirements. Enroll in L&S 1 and HUM 10. Take the Japanese language placement exam.	Complete the lower division prerequisite Japanese language and literature courses and declare the major. Complete the lower division Japanese language and literature requirements. Review the major guidelines for study abroad.	Review your degree progress with your major and college advisors. Focus on upper division Japanese Language and Literature and elective course requirements. Ask your major advisor about the honors program. Browse the Friends + Partners research institutes	Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate. Complete any "bucket list" courses. Finish remaining major , college , and campus requirements . Complement your major with a certificate , course thread , or summer minor .
and build community	Get 1:1 mentoring with Berkeley Connect . Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center . Check out the Berkeley Language Center . Attend a Center for Japanese Studies event .	Join student groups like the Cal Japan Club . Get to know professors and graduate student instructors during their office hours. Check out the Institute of East Asian Studies . Practice your language skills in the SLC Language Exchange Program .	associated with EALC. Consider becoming a Golden Bear Orientation Leader and welcome new students to UC Berkeley.	Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop . Connect with alumni groups and build your network as you prepare to graduate.
Discover your passions	Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course. Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships. Explore the collections of Berkeley's C.V. Starr East Asian Library.	Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar , Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course . Assist faculty in their research through URAP .	Curious about entrepreneurship? Enroll in HUM120: Entrepreneurship for All. Find research and funding opportunities in the OURS database. Planning a senior thesis or project? Apply to the Haas Scholars Program or SURF.	Teach your own DeCal course . Undertake an optional honors thesis or independent study. Publish your work in the Berkeley Student Journal of Asian Studies . Keep pursuing your interests through a fellowship or gap year after graduation.
Engage ocally and globally	Get involved with Words in Action hosted by Berkeley Language Center. Explore study, internship, and research abroad options with Berkeley Study Abroad. Visit the Asian Art Museum in San Francisco. Apply for a Pan Pacific Foundation Japan homestay.	Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course. Check out the Public Service Center. Explore the Oakland Asian Cultural Center. Apply to the Boren or Critical Language Scholarship in Japanese language.	Explore East Asian cultures in the Bay Area . Apply to become a language tutor within the department. Serve as a summer camp counselor in Japan with TOKIHA . Get international work experience with a Berkeley Global Internship in Tokyo.	Hone your leadership skills with the Peter E. Haas Public Service Leaders program. Explore service opportunities after graduation, such as the JET Program, Peace Corps, Teach for America, or U.S. Department of State. Apply for a scholarship to the Japan America Student Conference.
Reflect and plan your future	Visit Berkeley Career Engagement and the Career Counseling Library. Develop a plan for getting career ready. Set up a Handshake account and sign up for CareerMail. Explore career fields in the Career Connections Networking Series.	Discuss career options and goals with a Career Educator. Shadow alumni in the Cal Job Shadow Program. Learn about graduate and professional school. See Step-by-Step for planning help. Think about doing an internship and attend an	Learn about career fields and conduct informational interviews with people in those fields. Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors. Create or update your resume and LinkedIn profile.	Utilize job board tools in your job search. Ask professors and graduate student instructors for recommendation letters. Attend Employer Info Sessions and On-Campus Recruiting . Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other opportunities.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers

Behavioral Therapist, THC
Career in Corporate Environment
English Teacher
Import/Export Business
Media Analyst, Lifestreet
Other, Facebook

Graduate Programs

Asian Studies, MA
Buddhist Studies, PhD
Business, MBA
Computer Engineering, Masters
Foreign Languages, Masters
Foreign Languages & Literatures,
Masters
Japanese Language & Literature, PhD
Law, JD

Examples gathered from the **First Destination Survey** of recent Berkeley graduates.

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