

East Asian Cultures, B.A.

The curriculum for the major in East Asian Cultures focuses on the regional dynamics of cultural and social transformations in East Asia. Students benefit from a multidisciplinary approach to the study of intra-regional relationships between East Asian countries in order to situate them in their broader global contexts. By integrating the study of East Asia with theoretical issues that shape the study of world culture in general, students gain the dual perspectives derived from examining East Asian cultures on their own terms and from recognizing the affinities these civilizations share, and the conflicts they encounter in their interactions with the rest of the world.

All students must meet the University Requirements (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforadmittedstudents/requirementsforabachelorsdegree/>).

All students must meet the School Requirements (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/schoolofhumanities/#schoolrequirementstext>).

All students are subject to the Language Other Than English Placement and Progression (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/schoolofhumanities/>) policies.

Departmental Requirements for the Major in East Asian Cultures

A. Complete one of the following:

CHINESE 2C	Intermediate Mandarin Chinese
CHINESE 2MC	Intermediate Mandarin Chinese - Mandarin Background Track
JAPANESE 2C	Intermediate Japanese
KOREAN 2C	Intermediate Korean
KOREAN 2KC	Intermediate Korean for Students with a Previous Background in Korean

B. Select two quarters of:

EAS 155	Topics in Cultural Studies in East Asia
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C. Complete:

EAS 190	Junior-Senior Colloquium
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D. Select one of the following, corresponding to language of specialization:

EAS 15C	Introductory Topics in Chinese Literature
EAS 15J	Introductory Topics in Japanese Literature
EAS 15K	Introductory Topics in Korean Literature

E. Select eight additional courses in the areas of East Asian literature, culture, history, art history, linguistics, professional language, film and media, religion, philosophy, gender studies, or comparative literature, at least three of which must pertain to a country other than the one of language specialization, and up to two of which can be lower-division courses offered by the East Asian Studies Department. Up to four of these courses (or more by petition) may be taken outside the Department, with the approval of the undergraduate advisor.¹

¹ For a list of approved courses, please consult <https://www.humanities.uci.edu/eastasian/chinese/course/acourses2.php>.

Residence Requirement for the Major: At least five upper-division courses required for the major must be completed successfully at UCI. Students are encouraged, however, to complete up to a year of their language study in approved programs of study abroad.