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Group	Course	Offerings
Japanese	Japanese (BA)	• Murdoch campus (internal)

JAPANESE

JAPANESE (BA)

Global Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Japanese

Course Codes: B1356

Duration: 3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Availability:

- Murdoch campus (internal)

The Japanese language is a key to understanding dramatic social and cultural change in modern Japan. The Japanese major, which is open to beginners and those with some knowledge of the language, consists of three years of interactive Japanese language study on the Perth campus, with a choice of including, upon successful application, one or more semesters at a Japanese partner institution. This course provides students with rigorous linguistic and socio-cultural training to become Japan specialists in their chosen careers.

The Bachelor of Arts at Murdoch is a degree unlike any other in Australia. It embraces new directions in teaching and practice-based learning to train the thinkers and researchers of the 21st century. So many of the biggest and most vital issues we face today are about human society and the human condition. How can we understand who we are, how we want to live, or what kind of society we want to create, without the insights, knowledge and skills provided by the humanities? Our degree is different because we teach our students to put these into practice in a way that is recognised and valued by employers. Our graduates are empowered to be the agile and creative thinkers who will thrive in a rapidly changing world. They are able to think creatively, communicate effectively, manage projects, exercise highly-developed analytical and interpersonal skills, and they possess an in-depth knowledge of contemporary societal issues and trends. These are professional skills which are recognised and valued universally. In short, you can study what you love and get a job too!

Employment Prospects:

A variety of employment in business, teaching, hospitality, media and other specialist positions in Australia and elsewhere, engaging with Japanese people or companies, and in Japan, particularly in the private business and education sectors.

Admission Requirements (Onshore):

As per normal undergraduate admissions requirements

Special Requirements:

The course is open to beginners as well as those with some Japanese language competency. Students with language competency may be granted exemption from lower level language units and be placed at the level appropriate to their level of competency. Such students may be required to take alternative units to replace the lower-level language units.

Recommended Double Majors:

Games Art and Design; History

Recommended Minors:

Asian Studies

Excluded Minors:

Japanese

Credits and Exemptions:

Japanese language units must be completed in sequence, normally from JPN101 Japanese 1, which is designed for beginning learners. Students with some knowledge of the Japanese language from previous studies through secondary and/or tertiary education or other programs will be advised from which unit they should start, after being assessed by the Academic Chair. In cases where students are advised to start with a higher unit than JPN101, preclusion

(exemption without credit points) or advanced standing with credit points will be granted accordingly.

In-Country Study Units:

Students in this major are strongly encouraged to consider integrating the in-country study units on offer through the Japanese program into their course. A wide range of scholarship opportunities and financial assistance are available. Please seek advice from the Academic Chair. Note that students who take the 12-point unit to study in Japan may require up to 27 points of study to complete the full major.

Students granted exemptions from lower-level units such as JPN101 and JPN102 after being assessed by the Academic Chair or delegate are strongly encouraged to consider integrating in-country study units for up to two semesters in their 3rd year. Typical enrolment plans include:

Year 1 - JPN201 and JPN202 in Semester 1; JPN203 in Semester 2
Year 2 - JPN301 and JPN302 in Semester 1; JPN303 in Semester 2
Year 3 - JPN4xx Semester in Japan (III) - 12 points in Semester 1; JPN4xx Semester in Japan (IV) - 12 points in Semester 2

As in the case above, where the total credit points of Japanese units exceed 24 pts, the balance is counted as General Electives. Students should consult the Academic Chair for their enrolment plan.

Course Structure - 72 credit points

Course Core - 24 credit points

100 Level Units - 9 credit points

Spine Unit - 3 credit points

MSP100 Career Learning: Managing Your Career - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-external, S2-external

Course Core Units - 6 credit points

ART101 Coming into Community - 6 points
MURDOCH:
S1-internal (quota of 112 places) (closed), S1-external, S2-internal,
S2-external

OR

ART102 Inventing the Future - 6 points

200 Level Units - 15 credit points

Spine Units - 6 credit points

Select from the following:

MSP200 Building Enterprise Skills - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-external, S2-external

MSP201 Real World Learning - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-external, S2-external, SUM-external, W-external,
Y-external

ART208 Presenting in Public: Writing and Performing for
Professional Contexts - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal

ART325 Professional Placement - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

AIS308 Working with Indigenous Communities: Internship - 3
points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

COD303 Preparing for Professional Community Practice - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

POL340 Public Policy Internship - 6 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

AST384 Asian Studies Project - 3 points
MURDOCH: AU7-external, S1-external, W-external

Course Core Units - 9 credit points

ART201 Global Citizenship - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external

ART202 The Weight of Data - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external

BAR200 Developing Research Skills and Methods - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external

Major Units - 24 credit points**Options - 24 credit points**

Select from any of the available Majors, Co-Majors or Minors

Major Structure - 24 credit points**100 Level Units - 6 credit points****Core Units - 6 credit points**

JPN101 Japanese 1 - 3 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

JPN102 Japanese 2 - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal

200 Level Units - 9 credit points**Core Units - 9 credit points**

JPN201 Japanese 3 - 3 points
MURDOCH: AU3-internal

JPN202 Japanese 4 - 3 points
MURDOCH: AU1-internal

JPN203 Japanese 5 - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal

300 Level Units - 9 or 12 credit points**On-campus option****Core Units - 9 credit points**

JPN301 Japanese 6 - 3 points
MURDOCH: AU3-internal

JPN302 Japanese 7 - 3 points
MURDOCH: AU1-internal

JPN303 Japanese 8 - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal

In-country option**Specified Electives - 12 credit points**

Enrolment by application only; a unit level from (I) to (IV) is determined based on the applicant's study prior to participation in this in-country unit. After completing JPN203 Japanese 5, students are normally enrolled in JPN311 Semester in Japan (I).

Select from the following:

JPN311 Semester in Japan (I) - 12 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

JPN410 Semester in Japan (II) - 12 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

JPN411 Semester in Japan (III) - 12 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

JPN412 Semester in Japan (IV) - 12 points
MURDOCH: S1-internal

PREREQUISITES**Asian Studies Project (AST384)**

Permission of the Unit Coordinator.

Building Enterprise Skills (MSP200)

Nil.

Career Learning: Managing Your Career (MSP100)

Nil.

Coming into Community (ART101)

Nil.

Developing Research Skills and Methods (BAR200)

Nil.

Global Citizenship (ART201)

Nil

Inventing the Future (ART102)

Nil.

Japanese 1 (JPN101)

Nil.

Japanese 2 (JPN102)

Completion of JPN101 Japanese 1 or JPN171 Japanese 1A

Japanese 3 (JPN201)

JPN102 Japanese 2 or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Japanese 4 (JPN202)

Successful completion of JPN172 Japanese 1B or JPN201 Japanese 3, otherwise an equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Japanese 5 (JPN203)

Successful completion of JPN202 Japanese 4 or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Japanese 6 (JPN301)

JPN203 Japanese 5 or equivalent level of competency as assessed by Unit Coordinator.

Japanese 7 (JPN302)

JPN301 Japanese 6 or equivalent level of competency as assessed by Unit Coordinator.

Japanese 8 (JPN303)

JPN302 Japanese 7 or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Preparing for Professional Community Practice (COD303)

Nil.

Presenting in Public: Writing and Performing for Professional Contexts (ART208)

nil

Professional Placement (ART325)

Enrolment in a Bachelor of Arts course and with the permission of Academic Chair

Public Policy Internship (POL340)

High standard of academic performance.

Real World Learning (MSP201)

Normally completed an equivalent of 24 credit points

Semester in Japan (I) (JPN311)

Requires permission of the Unit Coordinator and at least a credit average in Murdoch units. Host institutions have particular requirements for admission.

Semester in Japan (II) (JPN410)

JPN302 Japanese 7 or JPN303 Japanese 8 or JPN311 Semester in Japan (I), or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Semester in Japan (III) (JPN411)

JPN410 Semester in Japan (II) or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

Semester in Japan (IV) (JPN412)

JPN411 Semester in Japan (III) or equivalent level of competency as assessed by the Unit Coordinator.

The Weight of Data (ART202)

Nil.

Working with Indigenous Communities: Internship (AIS308)

Students must have completed at least two (2) units from the Australian Indigenous Studies minor or have sought the approval of the Academic Chair.

Personal Study Plan

Unit Sets:

Year	Semester 1	Semester 2
1		
2		
3		
4		