



Japanese Studies C.C.

Career Community: Communication, Journalism, and Language

Curriculum Code: 1787

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

This Certificate of Completion in Japanese Studies provides the beginning and intermediate level Japanese language skills and cross-cultural information for students preparing to transfer to college or university programs, qualifying dual-enrolled high school or home school students, or those seeking to reinforce their own professional Japanese language and cultural competencies. In an increasingly international world economy, holders of this certificate may improve their employment opportunities, in particular since many Japanese companies have very strong ties to Michigan businesses. Students may apply all courses in this curriculum toward other certificates and/or degrees.

Milestone

Completion of JAPN 121 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in this course may be the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in this course.

Additional Information

A student must earn a minimum grade of 2.0 in all courses.

Contact Information

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Communication, Media and the Arts Department, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number 517-483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Major Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
JAPN 121	Elementary Japanese I	4 / 4
JAPN 122	Elementary Japanese II	4 / 4
JAPN 201	Intermediate Japanese I	4 / 4
JAPN 202	Intermediate Japanese II	4 / 4

Minimum Total Credit Hours

16 credits / 16 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
JAPN 121 – Milestone course
Semester II
JAPN 122
Semester III
JAPN 201
Semester IV
JAPN 202

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