Japanese Language and Culture Transfer Pathway 2024-2025

This pathway assumes completion of 60 units including Japanese language through JAPN 201 (Intermediate 1) proficiency or higher, and completion of all lower-division CSU General Education and American Institutions requirements.

NOTE: The Japanese Language and Culture B.A. requires a cultural immersion experience, which most students complete by studying abroad in Japan (though other options such as a community project are available).

Transfer students must meet with the Japanese advisor in the Center for Advising, Career and Student Success, and with a Japanese faculty advisor during their first semester at CSUMB to begin exploring opportunities and options.

The pathway shown below will be revised depending upon your study abroad plans. Transfer students who want to graduate within four semesters of transferring to CSUMB should plan to study abroad their second semester at CSUMB (Spring semester in Japan is typically April through late July or April through early August). Summer programs are also available at some Japanese Universities.

Fall Junior Courses (16 units total)	Course or GE Title	Units	GE/Major
WLC 300 (fall only)	WLC Major ProSeminar	2	Major
JAPN 300	Introduction to Adv Communication	4	Major
JAPN 301, 302, 303, 304, 312, 380, 401, 402	Japanese Language and Linguistics #1	4	Lang/Ling #1
JAPN 311 (fall only)	Social Issues in Japan	3	GWAR, UDD, Major
JAPN 305,306,308,309,310, or 314	Japanese Culture with UDC	3	UDC, Major, Japn Culture #1
Spring Junior Courses (16 units total)	Course or GE Title	Units	GE/Major
JAPN 301, 302, 303, 304, 312, 380, 401, 402	Japanese Language and Linguistics #2	4	Lang/Ling #2
JAPN 420(Spring only)	Maximizing Study Abroad Experiences	2	Major
SPAN 306,307,308,309,336,362,365,370, HCOM 322,324,346, SBS 381,383	Secondary Culture with Ethnic Studies	4	ES, Major
JAPN 410(Spring only) JAPN 212 ,213, 307, 317, 407	Quakes and Nukes: (Un)Natural Japanese Environments 2nd Japanese culture course	3	UDB, Major Japn Culture #2
Fall Senior Courses (16 units total)	Course or GE Title	Units	GE/Major
JAPN 403 (fall only)	Pre-Capstone	2	Major
JAPN 320S (fall only)	Japanese & Global Community	4	UDSL, Major
JAPN 301, 302, 303, 304, 312, 380, 401, 402	Japanese Language and Linguistics #3	4	Lang/Ling #3
Japn 215, 305,306,308,309,310, or 314	3 rd Japanese culture course	3	Japn Culture #3
US History if not previously complete	CSU US1 (US History) course	3	US1
Spring Senior Courses (13 units total)	Course or GE Title	Units	GE/Major
WLC 400 (spring only)	WLC Major Capstone	4	Major
JAPN 404 (spring only)	Adv Japanese Presentational Communic	2	Major
JAPN 301, 302, 303, 304, 312, 380, 401, 402	Japanese Language and Linguistics #4	3	Lang/Ling #4
US/CA government if not done, or elective	CSU American Institutions (US2,3) if not done, or free electives	3-4	US2,3 or Elective
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The Japanese Language and Cultures major requires a cultural immersion experience including JAPN 420 and one of the following options:

Option 1: Study Abroad (for a summer, a semester, or a full year)

Option 2: Community Project. Contact the Department Chair for details.