Japanese

The minor in Japanese is administered by the Asian Studies Committee: Professors Gabriel (economics; on leave Fall 2015), Hachiyanagi (art), Hashmi (international relations), Khory (politics), I. Peterson (Indian literature, cultural history, and Hinduism), Nemoto (Japanese language and linguistics), Roth (anthropology), Sinha (art history), Wang (Chinese language and literature; on leave 2015-16); Five College Senior Lecturer Brown (Japanese).

Overview

The Japanese program offers three levels of instruction. Students will build their language skills and cultural knowledge with various activities such as visiting Wa-Shin-An (the Japanese tea room at MHC), reading short stories, writing blogs, and interviewing a group of visiting students from Japan. Students’ progress is monitored by the Japanese Computerized Adoptive Test (J-CAT). Students who study Japanese may choose to complete the minor in Japanese listed here or the major in East Asian Studies for which language study is a principal component.

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Requirements for the Minor

Credits

- At least 16 credits of Japanese language courses at the 200 level or higher

Courses

- At least two 300-level courses in Japanese
- Independent Studies (295 or 395) do not count toward the minor
- Language courses that are not taken at MHC must be approved by the head of the Japanese program at Mount Holyoke College to count toward the minor
- Courses taught in English do not count toward the minor

Course Offerings

ASIAN-222 Second Year Japanese I
Fall
This course emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, and writing modern Japanese. Includes approximately 250 kanji. Supplements class work with audio and video.
Applies to requirement(s): Humanities; Language
N. Nemoto
Prereq: Asian Studies 121.; Coreq: ASIAN-222L.
Advisory: Asian Studies 121 or equivalent (contact Ms. Nemoto for placement)
Credits: 6

ASIAN-223 Second Year Japanese II
Spring
This course continues Asian Studies 222, Second Year Japanese I. Emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, and writing modern Japanese. Includes approximately 250 kanji. Supplements class work with audio and video.
Applies to requirement(s): Humanities; Language
N. Nemoto
Coreq: ASIAN-223L.; Prereq: Asian Studies 222.

See Also

- East Asian Studies
- Asian Studies