EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

This major provides students with a well-rounded education on East Asia by focusing on the study of the languages, literatures, cultures, and thought of China, Japan, and Korea. Students typically concentrate on one East Asian language and culture.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

One Cross-Cultural Survey course. Examples include:

East Asian Humanities

East Asian Ethical Thought

Introduction to Contemporary East Asia Film and Culture

One Cultural Studies course. Examples include:

Chinese Civilization

Japanese Literature and Culture

Introduction to Korean Film

Language courses:

Three years or six semesters of one language:
Chinese, Korean, or Japanese

Four upper-division electives. Examples include:

Modern Korean Literature in Translation

Hallyu, the Korean Wave

Transnational Chinese Literature and Culture

Early Japanese Art

Women and Gender in China: Past and Present

Nature and Ecological Imagination in Japanese Literature

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Shinso Ito Center for Japanese Religions and Culture: This center promotes the study of Japanese religions and culture at USC and in the broader intellectual community of Japan Studies by planning conferences, colloquia, and workshops.

Chinese Language Scholarship: Awarded by the Ministry of Education in Taiwan, this prize includes a monthly stipend (\$25,000 NT) for six months.

Korean Studies Institute Undergraduate Fellows Program: Selected students conduct research on Korean or Korean-American issues, participate in monthly research workshops, and present their work at the annual USC-Michigan Korean Studies Undergraduate Exchange conference.

Minor Opportunities: In addition to the East Asian Languages & Culture major, the department offers a minor in East Asian Languages & Culture and a minor in Chinese for the Professions.

