

## Minor in Japanese

Programme Code	72419-YJC
Credit Required for Graduation	18 credits (at least 9 credits must be at level 3 or above)
Exclusive Programme(s) & Programme Code(s)	N/A
Professional Recognition	N/A
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### **Programme Overview**

The programme aims to produce all-round graduates with

- (1) adequate Japanese proficiency and sociocultural skill;
- (2) good knowledge of Japanese culture and society;
- (3) profession-specific literacy and skills in Japanese;
- (4) appropriate awareness of Japanese history, politics, business and society; and
- (5) a basic understanding of the conceptual resources underpinning the aforementioned outcomes.

### **Entrance Requirement**

To be eligible for a Minor, you must have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above at the time of application for Minor enrolment.

The Minor application period normally begins after the announcement of overall results for Semester Two of Year One. Your CGPA at the end of Semester Two of Year One will be used to determine your eligibility. If you are interested in pursuing a Minor, please submit your application via eStudent > Application Forms > (AR147) Application for Minor during the designated application period.

## Programme Structure

All subjects of this programme carry three academic credits. To qualify for the award of Minor in Japanese, students are required to accumulate 18 credits by completing 6 subjects, of which at least 3 should be level-3 or above subjects.

Subject Code	Subject Title	Offering Dept	Level	Credits
<b>(a) Core (Compulsory subjects)*</b>				
CBS2501	Introductory Japanese I	LST	2	3
CBS2502	Introductory Japanese II	LST	2	3
<b>(b) Electives</b>				
CBS1B03 / CBS1BN03	East Asia: Towards a Global Community with Cultural Diversity	LST	1	3
CBS1C16/ CBS1CN16	Understanding Japan: A Journey into Japanese Culture and Society	LST	1	3
CBS3505	Intermediate Japanese I	LST	3	3
CBS3536	Intermediate Japanese II	LST	3	3
CBS3537	Introductory Reading Japanese	LST	3	3
CBS3535	Intermediate Reading Japanese	LST	3	3
CBS3532	Business Japanese	LST	3	3
CBS3534	Spoken Japanese and Intonation	LST	3	3
CBS3538	Japanese culture: from Samurai to Hello Kitty	LST	3	3
CBS4533	Advanced Japanese I	LST	4	3
CBS4536	Intercultural Communication in Japanese	LST	4	3
	Work Integrated Education (WIE) in Japan <sup>^</sup>	LST/other departments	2/3/4	3

\* Subject to placement test, which is organised by the Japanese Program at the beginning of each semester, student may be exempt from taking compulsory subjects in order instead to taking a higher-level Japanese language subject.

\* The courses CBS2501, CBS2502, CBS3505, CBS3536 and CBS4533 must be taken in sequential order. Typically, students are required to start with CBS2501. If a student is permitted to begin with CBS2502 or a higher course based on a placement test, he/she will not be allowed to retroactively enroll in CBS2501 or any lower course.

<sup>^</sup>Students can apply for counting the WIE, if carried out in Japan, as an elective for fulfilling the credit requirements. Completed application form AR147(a) should be submitted to the Minor-offering department (Minor Department) for approval and no later than your applying for graduation.

In addition:

- Only credit-bearing WIE (with a subject code) will be accepted.
- The WIE duration should be a minimum of 60 working hours.
- Only students who have already passed the WIE and meet all the specified criteria can apply for the counting of WIE as an elective subject of the Minor.
- Maximum one WIE can be counted towards the Minor.
- A maximum of 3 WIE credits will be counted towards the Minor.
- The Minor will follow the WIE level indicated by the Major department.
- The grade of WIE (regardless whether it is a Merit /Pass/Fail or a letter grade) would not be counted towards the calculation of the Minor GPA, despite the double-counting of the credits.

For detailed syllabus and subject pre-requisite/co-requisite/exclusion requirement, please visit the following website:

Location: eStudent (<https://www38.polyu.edu.hk/eStudent/>)> Information > Subject Search

### **Enquiries**

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