East Asian Area Studies

This interdisciplinary major combines language study with history, social sciences, and the humanities. The program is appropriate for students with a broad interest in East Asia, especially China, Japan, and Korea. This is an attractive major for students who want to make East Asia part of their personal and professional futures.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) REQUIREMENTS OVERVIEW

Language Courses
- Proficiency up to one of the following: Chinese IV, Korean IV, or Japanese IV

Two Introductory Courses
- East Asian Humanities—The Great Tradition
- East Asian Societies

Seven Upper Division Courses
- Must include one course in Department of History
- Select courses from at least two different East Asian countries: China, Korea, or Japan

Several examples of upper division courses are:
- One Korean Culture from Ancient to Modern Times
- Performing Japan: Bodies, Media, and Textuality
- Women and Gender in China: Past and Present
- History of the Samurai
- The People’s Republic of China
- U.S.-Japan Encounter—War, Trade, and Culture
- Religions of Japan
- Business Chinese
- Introduction to Korean Film

EXPERIENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES

- **Study Abroad:** Learn about the cultures you’ll be studying firsthand by living in China, Japan, Taiwan, or South Korea.

- **East Asian Studies Center:** This national resource center provides students with access to one of the country’s largest East Asian libraries, as well as a collection of film archives and museums.

- **Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships:** Students are eligible for these awards given to U.S. citizens or permanent residents for intermediate or advanced level study of Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, or Korean in the summer or academic year.

*For additional information, including all major requirements, please consult the USC Catalogue or http://dornsife.usc.edu/eascenter/eaas-major/*