

ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CIVILIZATIONS - DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD)

The PhD in Asian Languages and Civilizations offers extensive training in the modern and premodern literatures of China and Japan for students seeking to pursue research and teaching careers at the collegiate level.

For more information, please visit the department website (<https://www.colorado.edu/alac/graduate/admissions/>).

Requirements

The PhD in Asian Languages and Civilizations offers specializations in Chinese or Japanese with concentrations in literary and/or cultural studies of either the premodern or modern periods.

The PhD requires a minimum of 45 credits in graduate courses numbered 5000 or above in Chinese or Japanese, and 30 credits of dissertation work beyond the required coursework. Selection of courses should be made in consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies in Chinese or Japanese (see the department's Graduate Advising webpage). Academic preparation is expected in both classical and modern language.

Some graduate or advanced undergraduate coursework from related fields may also be included, in accordance with Graduate School rules. Additionally, some coursework completed for the MA degree at CU or other similarly rigorous institutions may count toward the 45 credits required. PhD students may transfer to the department up to 21 hours of acceptable graduate-level credit.

Visit the department's PhD specialization in Chinese and PhD specialization in Japanese webpages for specific requirements, as well as a full list and description of graduate courses (<https://www.colorado.edu/alac/courses/>) offered.

Specialization in Chinese

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select 45 credits from the following:		45
CHIN 5010	Sinological Methods	
CHIN 5980	Practical Issues in Chinese Language Pedagogy	
CHIN 5030	Readings in Pre-Modern Chinese Literary Theory	
CHIN 5070	Graduate Academic Writing	
CHIN 5120	History of Literature through the Ninth Century	
CHIN 5210	Ancient Prose	
CHIN 5220	Ancient Poetry	
CHIN 5230	History of Early Chinese Thought	
CHIN 5280	Topics in Ancient Literature	
CHIN 5410	Medieval Prose	
CHIN 5420	Medieval Poetry	
CHIN 5430	Medieval Thought and Religion	
CHIN 5480	Topics in Medieval Literature	
CHIN 5610	Early Modern Prose	

CHIN 5620	Early Modern Poetry
CHIN 5630	Early Modern Fiction
CHIN 5680	Topics in Early Modern Literature
CHIN 5750	Daoism
CHIN 5810	Modern Literature
CHIN 5820	Contemporary Literature
CHIN 5830	History of Chinese Film
CHIN 5880	Topics in 20th Century Literature
CHIN 5890	Topics in Chinese Film
CHIN 5900	Independent Study
CHIN 6900	Independent Study
Other appropriate courses approved by faculty advisor	
Dissertation	30
CHIN 8990	Doctoral Dissertation

Specialization in Japanese

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select 45 credits from the following:		45
JPNS 5010	Bibliography and Research Methods	
JPNS 5150	Japanese Literary Translation	
JPNS 5210	Classical Prose Literature	
JPNS 5220	Waka, Renga, and Haiku	
JPNS 5280	Topics in Classical Japanese Literature	
JPNS 5310	Advanced Classical Japanese 1	
JPNS 5320	Advanced Classical Japanese 2	
JPNS 5410	Medieval Prose Literature	
JPNS 5420	Japanese Buddhism and Literature	
JPNS 5480	Topics in Medieval Literature	
JPNS 5610	Japanese Dramatic Literature	
JPNS 5620	Early Modern Japanese Literature and Culture	
JPNS 5810	Modern Japanese Literature	
JPNS 5820	Contemporary Japanese Literature	
JPNS 5830	Readings in Modern and Contemporary Japanese Thought and Culture	
JPNS 5900	Independent Study	
JPNS 5920	Topics in Modern Literature and Culture	
JPNS 5980	Practical Issues in Japanese Language Pedagogy	
JPNS 6900	Japanese Independent Study	
Other appropriate courses approved by faculty advisor		
Dissertation	30	
JPNS 8990	Doctoral Dissertation	