ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CIVILIZATIONS - MASTER OF ARTS (MA)

The MA program specialization in Chinese (https://www.colorado.edu/alc/graduate/chinese) is designed to offer students maximum general exposure to the long sweep of Chinese literary and cultural history, as well as the opportunity to delve into the study of a particular period, field, topic or genre. With six professors covering literature and culture from early China through the medieval era to the early modern period and contemporary China, the program is truly comprehensive in scope. The program focuses especially on preparing students for PhD study and careers in sinology. Since 1991, close to seventy graduates (https://www.colorado.edu/alc/sites/default/files/attached-files/graduate_placement_in_phd_programs.pdf) of the Chinese MA program have gone on to doctoral study here or at other first-rank institutions in the U.S.

The MA program specialization in Japanese (https://www.colorado.edu/alc/graduate/japanese) offers students the opportunity to engage in advanced-level study of Japanese literature and culture, with the aim of preparing students for doctoral study in Japanese literature as well as providing firm foundational knowledge for those seeking Japan-related professional careers. The program is composed of four professors with specializations in the literatures of classical, medieval, early modern, and modern Japan. In recent years graduates of the Japanese MA program have gone on to PhD programs in Japanese literature and Japanese studies at this and numerous other first-rank institutions in the U.S.

For more information, visit the department’s Prospective Students (http://www.colorado.edu/alc/graduate/chinese) and Japanese (http://www.colorado.edu/alc/graduate/japanese) webpages.

Bachelor’s–Accelerated Master’s Degree Program

Students may earn this degree as part of the Bachelor’s–Accelerated Master’s (BAM) degree program, which allows currently enrolled CU Boulder undergraduate students the opportunity to earn a bachelor’s and master’s degree in a shorter period of time.

For more information, see the Accelerated Master’s tab for the associated bachelor’s degree(s):

- Chinese - Bachelor of Arts (BA) (catalog.colorado.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/programs-study/asian-languages-civilizations/chinese-bachelor-arts-ba/#acceleratedmasterstext)
- Japanese - Bachelor of Arts (BA) (catalog.colorado.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/programs-study/asian-languages-civilizations/japanese-bachelor-arts-ba/#acceleratedmasterstext)

Requirements

The MA in Asian languages and civilizations offers specializations in Chinese or Japanese.