Japanese

The School of Languages and Cultures offers courses of study leading to the M.A. in Japanese Second Language Acquisition and pedagogy. Those who already have an M.A. may seek a Ph.D. concentrating on Japanese Second Language Acquisition and pedagogy.

Currently all graduate students in the department majoring in Japanese are supported by departmental assistantships. There are more than ten teaching assistantships available. They include full tuition remission and an annual salary of $13,598 (in 2013-14). The standard teaching load is three courses a year (1 in the fall and 2 in the spring, or 2 in the fall and 1 in the spring). All teaching assistants are given a private desk in shared office space.

All Ph.D. graduates that the Japanese faculty have mentored have full-time jobs. Many of them are in tenure-track positions or are already tenured. Naturally, we are very proud of them!

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Admissions

Applications are accepted to the Graduate Program at Purdue University throughout the year. Scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) are required for all U.S. citizens and permanent residents. For international applicants whose native language is not English, the results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) must be submitted to the Graduate School.

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Graduate Study in Japanese

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M.A. in Japanese
Students must be rated at ACTFL advanced high or higher in Japanese proficiency.

Required courses: (12 credit hours):
JPNS 521 Teaching Japanese
JPNS 594 Teaching Japanese Literature
JPNS 560 Japanese Linguistics
JPNS 679 Second Language Acquisition

Elective courses (15 credit hours with thesis/18 hours without thesis)

Japanese Literature & Culture
JPNS 543 Mod Japanese Popular Lit & Culture
JPNS 596 Postwar Japanese Cinema

Research Design & Measurement
LC/ENGL 618 Research Design in Lang & Ling
STAT 501 Experimental Statistics I

Second Language Acquisition
ENGL 618 Qualitative Research
ENGL 629 Second Language Acquisition
ENGL 630 Seminar in Second Language Writing
LC/JPNS 679 Bilingualism & Lang Acquisition
LC/JPNS 679 Research Design Study L2 Reading
LC/JPNS 679 Vocabulary and Reading in SLA
LC/JPNS 679 Classroom SLA
LC/JPNS 679 Corpus Linguistics SLA
LC/JPNS 679 Pragmatics

Language Testing
ENGL 674 Seminar in Language Testing

Language Curriculum
ENGL 516 Teaching ESL: Theoretical Foundations
ENGL 518 Teaching ESL: Principles/Practices

Computer-Assisted Language Learning/Information Technology
LC 596 Technological Literacy for FL Teachers
LC 596 Intro to Multi-Media Programming for FL Teaching

Linguistics
LC 596/LING 598 Introduction to Pragmatics
LC 596 Politeness in Language
LC/ENGL 565 Sociolinguistics
PSYC 526 Psycholinguistics
LING 511 Phonology I: Descriptive Analysis
LING 521 Syntax I: Syntactic Analysis
COM 612 Language & Gender
COM 682 Discourse Analysis

Thesis Course (3 credit hours)
JPNS 698 Thesis in Japanese

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