Japanese Advising Information Sheet
Summer 2022

Website with Answers to Japanese Studies Advising Questions:


Please read this information before contacting the Japanese Studies advisor.

Japanese Studies Advisor Contact

For questions about adding the Japanese Studies minor, please contact the Japanese Studies Program Director, Dr. Jeremy A. Sather, jsather@vt.edu

Information to Give Your Japanese Studies Advisor:

- How many years of Japanese you took in high school and your GPA;
- Any AP or IB Diploma exam scores you got from high school (VT does not give credit for the IB certificate, only the IB diploma);
- Any Japanese classes you took at other colleges and the grades you earned;
- Any Japanese classes you have already taken at VT;
- How long it has been since you took a Japanese class;
- Any extended live-abroad experience you have had in Japan;
- Whether Japanese is going to be your minor, the language for your International Studies major, or an elective;
- What semester you plan to graduate.

How to Declare a Japanese Studies Minor

Priority for adding and force adding Japanese classes is given to Japanese minors, so declare it as soon as possible.

- If you are interested in declaring Japanese Studies as a minor, please fill out the change of major/minor form (https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pmmL44VaXa9BdKMgkdHOv-bvbNIQ-KhI/view), send it to the Japanese Studies advisor (jsather@vt.edu) for a signature, and then email it to the Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures office coordinator Terri Allen (byrdt@vt.edu). They will complete it for you and submit it to the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please contact the Japanese Studies Program Director: Dr. Jeremy A. Sather (jsather@vt.edu)