Faculty of Arts

EAST ASIAN LANGUAGE STUDIES

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

East Asian Language Studies will provide you with solid training in all four language skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening) in the two main East Asian languages, namely Chinese and Japanese. In addition to gaining profound knowledge of East Asian cultures, you will also choose to pursue advanced proficiency in one of the languages, and intermediate proficiency in the other.

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John Gilchrist
BA'77 (Psychology and Drama)
Restaurant critic for the Calgary Herald and CBC Radio, best-selling author, and UCalgary continuing education instructor.

“East Asian language studies (EALS) has enabled me to communicate with people across the world, to become a global citizen, and spend a semester in Beijing. EALS is perfect for anyone who wants to talk in class, not because you’re being an inattentive student but because that’s what you’re supposed to do.

AJ S., East Asian language studies student

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Sample First-Year Courses

FALL

Understanding Contemporary East Asia (East Asian Studies 201) or Asian Religions (Religious Studies 203) or The History of China (History 209)
Beginners’ Chinese I (Chinese 205) or Intensive Beginners’ Chinese (Chinese 229) or Reading and Writing Chinese (Chinese 279) or Beginners’ Japanese I (Japanese 205)
Open option
Open option
Arts option

WINTER

Understanding Contemporary East Asia (East Asian Studies 201) or Asian Religions (Religious Studies 203) or The History of China (History 209)
Beginners’ Chinese II (Chinese 207) or Intensive Beginners’ Chinese (Chinese 229) or Reading and Writing Chinese (Chinese 279) or Beginners’ Japanese II (Japanese 207)
Open option
Open option
Science option