

**The Department of Japanese Studies  
at  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong**  
Admissions Talk (2020 admission)





## Tokyo in ruins: 1945 >>

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## 1945: Sendai 仙台 >>

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## 1945: Total defeat and surrender >>

[http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/publication/19548/planning\\_the\\_peace\\_and\\_enforcing\\_the\\_surrender.html](http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/publication/19548/planning_the_peace_and_enforcing_the_surrender.html)



## Occupied by the Allied Forces >>

[http://www.wa-pedia.com/history/american\\_occupation\\_japan.shtml](http://www.wa-pedia.com/history/american_occupation_japan.shtml)





## Japan 1970: the “economic miracle” >>>

<http://moa.wfu.edu/exhibits/temporary-exhibits/exhibit-gazing-at-the-contemporary-world/>



Why is the quality of customer service so high? >>

[https://www.google.com.hk/search?safe=off&hl=en&biw=1090&bih=611&site=imghp&tbm=isch&sa=1&q=japan+service&oq=japan+service&gs\\_l=img.3..0i24110.14548.14548.0.16898.1.1.0.0.0.0.216.216.2-1.1.0....0...1c.1.43.img..0.1.210.qZcgnfcr2WO#facrc=\\_&imgdii=\\_&imgrc=2f-mED\\_aJqN3M%253A%3BhEP2MEObXcFtKM%3Bhttp%253A%252F%252F3.bp.blogspot.com%252F-D\\_BglX5XCu8%252Fto5ZhkLGoal%252FAAAAAAAAAAIM%252FAN1Hj3EpBdM%252F51600%252F%252525E5%252525BA%25252597%252525E5%25252593%252525A1.jpg%3Bhttp%253A%252F%252Ftokyroomfinder.blogspot.com%252F2011%252F10%252Fcustomer-service-in-japan.html%3B320%3B240](https://www.google.com.hk/search?safe=off&hl=en&biw=1090&bih=611&site=imghp&tbm=isch&sa=1&q=japan+service&oq=japan+service&gs_l=img.3..0i24110.14548.14548.0.16898.1.1.0.0.0.0.216.216.2-1.1.0....0...1c.1.43.img..0.1.210.qZcgnfcr2WO#facrc=_&imgdii=_&imgrc=2f-mED_aJqN3M%253A%3BhEP2MEObXcFtKM%3Bhttp%253A%252F%252F3.bp.blogspot.com%252F-D_BglX5XCu8%252Fto5ZhkLGoal%252FAAAAAAAAAAIM%252FAN1Hj3EpBdM%252F51600%252F%252525E5%252525BA%25252597%252525E5%25252593%252525A1.jpg%3Bhttp%253A%252F%252Ftokyroomfinder.blogspot.com%252F2011%252F10%252Fcustomer-service-in-japan.html%3B320%3B240)





## Why do traditions survive? >>

<http://www.kcpstudentlife.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Japanese-Spring-festival-Hakata-Donkatu-Festival.jpg>



Is McDonalds the same in Japan and Hong Kong? >>

<http://www.globosapiens.net/paulsadler/picture-mcdonalds-in-shinjuku-tokyo-6554.html>



Why are Japanese entertainment companies so successful? >>

[http://nihongomanabu.com/2018/01/07/arashi-release-new-single-find-answer-21st-feb-2018//](http://nihongomanabu.com/2018/01/07/arashi-release-new-single-find-answer-21st-feb-2018/)



What is the attraction of BL comics for its female readers? >>>

<http://www.fanpop.com/clubs/yaoi/images/17927103/title/date-masamune-sanada-yukimura-photo>



## Why do many women still aspire to be housewives? >>

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## How is Japan managing its elder care problem? >>

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Why are there so many homeless people and why are they hidden in certain urban neighborhoods? >>

[http://www.newyorker.com/online/blogs/photobooth/2012/12/photos-japan-jobs-crisis-shiho-fukada.html#slide\\_ss\\_0=1](http://www.newyorker.com/online/blogs/photobooth/2012/12/photos-japan-jobs-crisis-shiho-fukada.html#slide_ss_0=1)



## Why do Japanese Prime Ministers insist on visiting Yasukuni shrine? 靖国神社 >>

[http://www.google.com.hk/imgres?imgurl=&imgrefurl=http%3A%2F%2Fvovworld.vn%2Fen-us%2FNews%2FChina-Russia-criticize-Japanese-PMs-visit-to-Yasukuni-Shrine%2F206056.vov&h=0&w=0&tbnid=M45NBypndeAgDM&zoom=1&tbnh=168&tbnw=300&docid=Ozb8kOyjc4NZhM&hl=en&tbm=isch&ei=GPIsU4DJB8\\_q8AWgxoHQCQ&ved=0CAUQsCUoAQ](http://www.google.com.hk/imgres?imgurl=&imgrefurl=http%3A%2F%2Fvovworld.vn%2Fen-us%2FNews%2FChina-Russia-criticize-Japanese-PMs-visit-to-Yasukuni-Shrine%2F206056.vov&h=0&w=0&tbnid=M45NBypndeAgDM&zoom=1&tbnh=168&tbnw=300&docid=Ozb8kOyjc4NZhM&hl=en&tbm=isch&ei=GPIsU4DJB8_q8AWgxoHQCQ&ved=0CAUQsCUoAQ)





In such a developed country, how could a major electric company lose control of their nuclear reactor?



<http://www.greatbarrierreef.org.au/fukushima/>



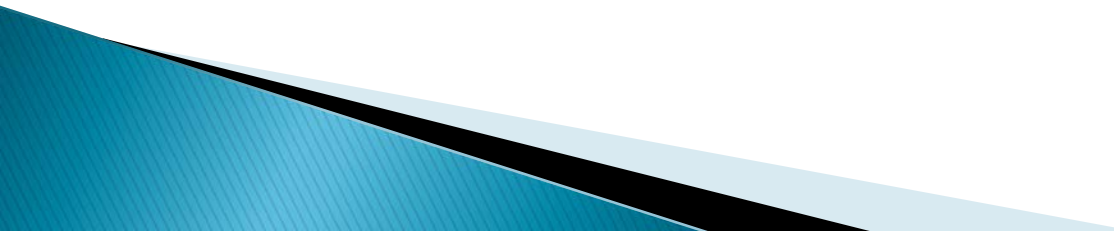
Why do some people insist that the Diaoyutai islands belong to Japan? Who are those people? >>>

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/news/world/asia/article3512344.ece>

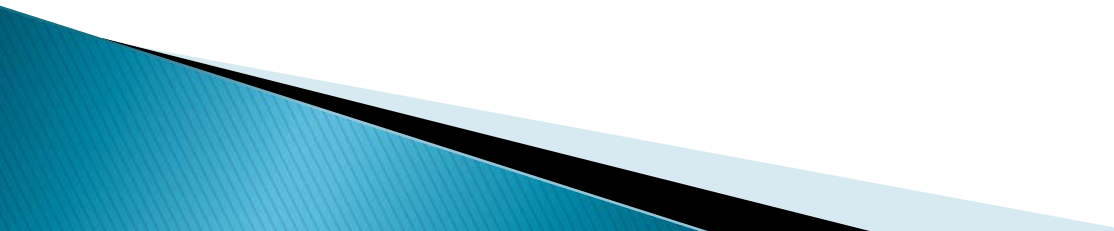
# What is Japanese studies?

- ▶ Japanese studies as an area studies encourages inter-disciplinary approaches in pursuing knowledge and emphasizes multiple angles and perspectives in analyzing Japan.
  - ▶ Japanese studies departments can be found at major universities worldwide such as Oxford University, Cambridge University, Peking University, and the National University of Singapore.
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# What will I learn at the Department of Japanese Studies, CUHK?

- ▶ Our Department emphasizes the study of Japanese society, culture, and language as an **integrated package**.
  - ▶ We expect students to develop a **specialized area of knowledge** within Japanese studies through a final-year research project produced through close interaction with a supervisor.
  - ▶ We emphasize **experiential learning** through our mandatory one-year exchange program in Japan, and we encourage short-term programs and internships.
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# Why should I choose this programme?

- Excellent and dedicated teaching staff (Award winning)
  - Unrivaled success at the Japanese language proficiency examination (N1) (90% passing rate in 2018)
  - Guaranteed exchange experience at top universities in Japan
  - Balanced curriculum that teaches Japanese studies and language.
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# Caring teachers who are international experts in their field



Chair  
Prof. Ben Ng  
Ph.D. (Princeton)  
History



Prof. Lynne Nakano  
Ph.D. (Yale)  
Anthropology



Prof. Kinnia Yau  
Ph.D. (Tokyo)  
Film Studies



Prof. Ho Chi Ming  
Ph.D. (Tsukuba)  
Linguistics



Prof. Jeremy  
Yellen  
Ph.D. (Harvard)  
History



Prof. Nana Gagne  
Ph.D. (Yale)  
Anthropology



Ms. Inoue Yumi  
M.Phil. (HKU)



Dr. Ueda Sanae  
Ph.D. (Kyoto U  
of Foreign  
Studies



Dr. Carol Guo  
Ph.D. (Niigata)  
Philosophy



Ms. Winkki Choi  
MA (GRIPS)



Mr. Henry Lau  
MA (CUHK)

# Japanese Language Proficiency Test (N1) Results

Year	Applicants	No. of Students who passed	Percentage	Those who did not pass	Percentage
2010	29	26	89.66%	1	3.45%
2011	27	24	88.89%	3	11.11%
2012	26	24	92.31%	2	7.69%
2013	21	18	85.71%	3	14.29%
2014	29	24	82.76%	5	17.24%
2015	26	22	84.6%	4	15.4%
2016	24	20	83.3%	4	16.7%
2017	25	24	96%	1	4%
2018	27	25	93%	1	7%
2019	26	18	70%	6	30%

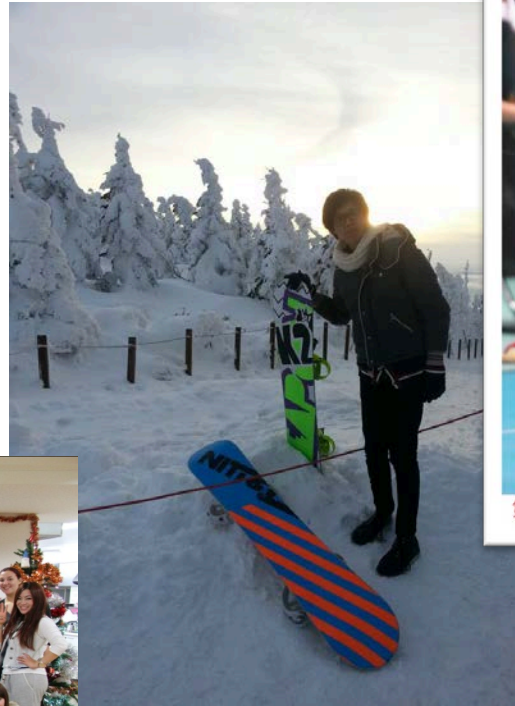
# Exchange Partners Universities in Japan



1. 北海道大學 (北海道)
2. 上智大學 (東京)
3. 東京外國語大學 (東京)
4. 立教大學 (東京)
5. 東京學藝大學 (東京)
6. 一橋大學 (東京)
7. 明治大學 (東京)
8. 早稻田大學 (東京)
9. 杏林大學 (東京)
10. 學習院大學 (東京)
11. 筑波大學 (茨城県)
12. 名古屋大學 (名古屋)
13. 名古屋商科大學 (名古屋)
14. 立命館大學 (京都)
15. 京都大學 (京都)
16. 關西外國語大學 (大阪)
17. 關西學院大學 (大阪)
18. 大阪國際大學 (大阪)
19. 大阪大學 (大阪)
20. 廣島大學 (廣島縣)
21. 九州大學 (九州)




# Year of Exchange



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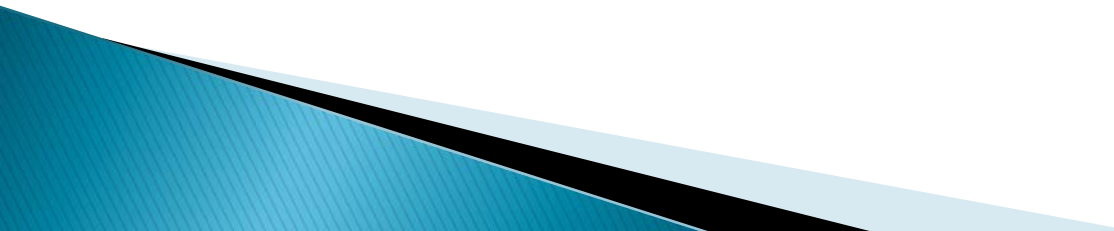
# Exchange year

- ▶ Study Japanese language according to level
  - ▶ Take content courses in English or Japanese (Examples: Psychology, Business, Japanese religion, Japanese economy)
  - ▶ Participate in club activities along with Japanese students (recent examples: orchestra, archery, baseball, tea ceremony, glider club)
  - ▶ Join activities, homestays, and trips organized for exchange students; meet people from around the world.
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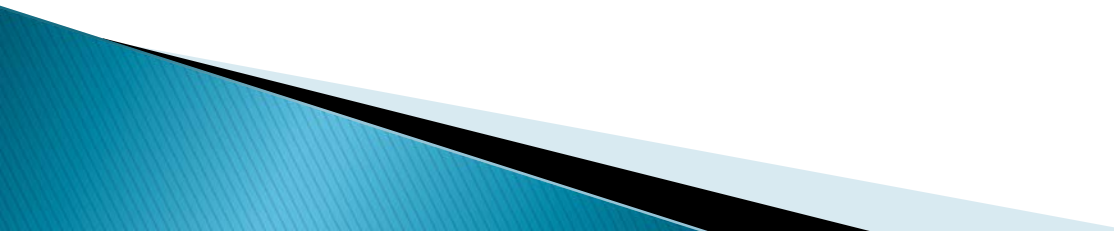
# Examples of JAS Final-Year Projects

- Japanese Corporate Culture: Female Workers Views on Career Advancement
- Japanese Fashion Magazines and the Construction of Body Images among University Students
- Song of Earth: Case Study of an Environmental Club
- Meanings of Fan Behaviors: Female Fans of Johnny's Idol Groups

# Internship programmes

- ▶ Our internship partners included: JAL, Mitsui, Mizuho, Resona Bank (Japan), Lee Kum Kee, Hyogo Business & Tourism Centre (HK), Vector Group, etc.
  - ▶ Please note that the internships are available on a competitive basis
  - ▶ Programme duration: summer, 2 weeks – 2 months
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# Advantages of joining Internship Programme

- ▶ Gain working experience before you graduate
  - ▶ Prepare a Curriculum Vitae which is attractive to your potential employer(s) in the future  
→ **Increase the possibility of being hired**
  - ▶ Better understanding of a particular field
  - ▶ Motivation for further studies
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# Student Activities

## Cultural Festival and Japanese Speech Contest



# Streams

- ▶ **Stream in Japanese Business and Management**
  - Combines Japanese Studies and Management Department courses
  - Training in business, management, and Japanese language
- ▶ **Stream in Japan in Global Perspective**
  - Combines Japanese Studies, Sociology, and Anthropology courses
  - Provides inter-disciplinary training in understanding Japan's place in the region and the world
- ▶ **Stream in Japanese Language and Linguistics**
  - Combines Japanese Studies and Linguistics courses

*Streams involve taking courses in other departments such as Anthropology, Linguistics, Management, Sociology, etc.*



# Scholarship received by JAS major students (2019–2020)

<u>Scholarships</u>	<u>No. of Recipients</u>	<u>Amount per head/per year</u>
JASSO	10	JPY800,000
Mizoguchi Scholarship	1	HK\$30,000
Nissin Scholarship	5	HK\$6,000
Resona Scholarship	4	HK\$10,000
Japan Society	1	HK\$10,000
College Scholarships	6	HK\$16,000*
CUHK Exchange Travel Grant	20	HK\$1,500
OAL Exchange Scholarship	6	HK\$228,000*

**Total**

**53**

**HK\$944,000**

\* Total amount

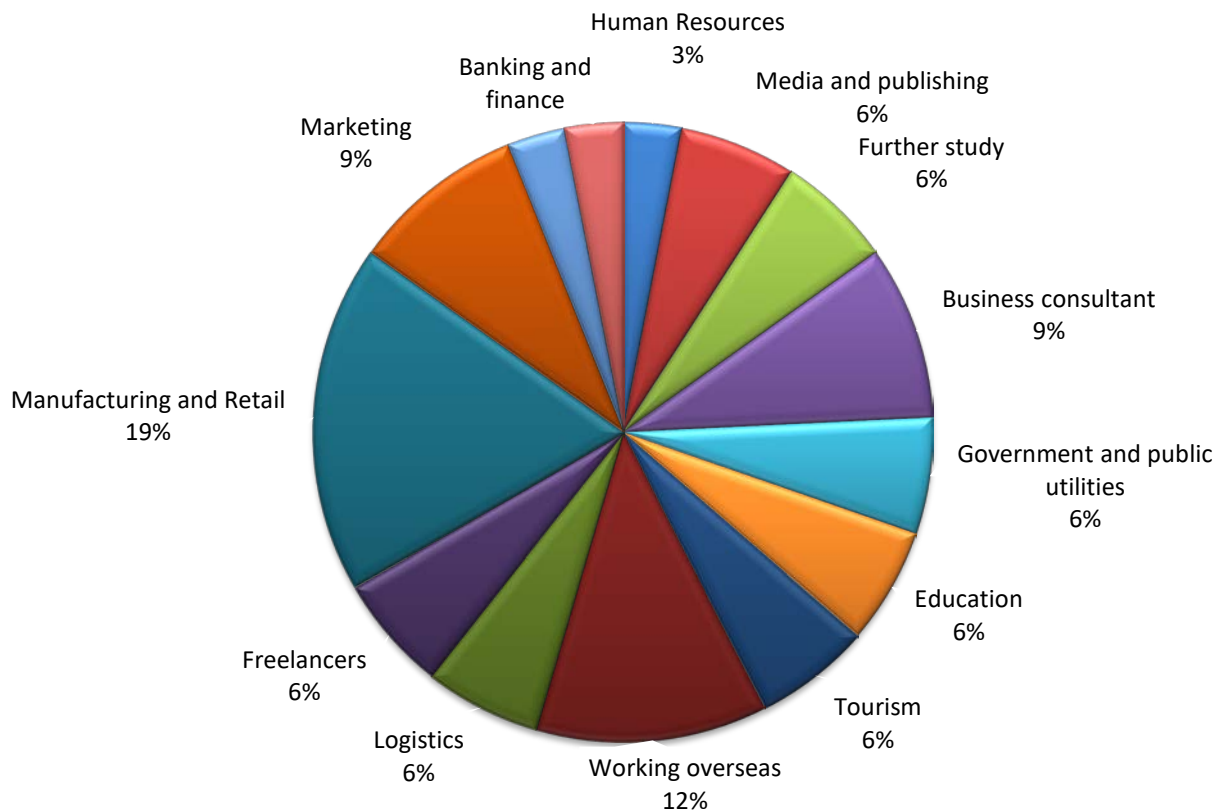
# Yasumoto Financial Aid Funding Allocation (2019-2020)

Student	Funding Allocated
Student 1	\$52,500
Student 2	\$45,300
Student 3	\$29,500
Student 4	\$52,200
Student 5	\$25,200
Student 6	\$27,800
Student 7	\$25,000
Student 8	\$50,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$308,000</b>

# 畢業生就業動向 Employment trends

Employment rate 就業/升學率: 100%

(摘自 *Employment Survey of 2017-2019 Graduates*)



# Career Paths

Private Sector	Public Service and Semi-Quasi Govt. Org.	Further Education
International Banking & Finance (Mitsui, Mizuho, Nomura)	Government service (e.g. AO, EO)	MBA
Japanese firms (Sanrio, Bandai, ANA)	Educators, University and Secondary School	Law Degrees
Multi-national firms (PricewaterhouseCoopers, Ernst & Young, Warner Bro.)	Police Force	MA (Georgetown, University of Tokyo, etc)
Local firms and self-starting entrepreneurs (IT, trading, entertainment)	Tourism	Ph.D. (Waseda, Tsukuba, U. of Pittsburgh etc)

1995 Graduate : 何志明  
香港中文大學 · 日本研究系 · 副教授



Prof. Ho Chi Ming



1997 Graduate : 文立  
Diyixian.com. Limited 行政總裁



2006 Graduate: 利銘鋒

Japan Elevator Service Hong Kong Co., Ltd.

董事



# 2008 Graduate : 賀穎君

高級政務主任(Senior Administrative Officer)  
政府資訊科技總監辦公室 (策略發展)





# 2009 Graduate : 李欣然

## Associate, PricewaterhouseCoopers



2019 Graduate : 錢冠廷  
Official Languages Officer 法定語文主任  
Civil Service Bureau, HKSAR Government  
香港特別行政區政府 公務員事務局



2019 Graduate : 何詠琳  
Customer Service Associate, Dow Jones



# 2019 Graduate : 周子琳

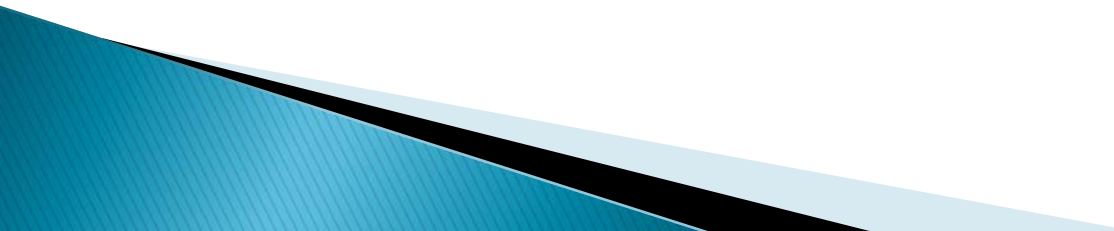
## Studying in the Juris Doctor Programme, CUHK (from 2019)



**2019 Graduate : 譚懿德**  
**Will study in the Master of Journalism**  
**Programme HKU (from 2020)**



# Entrance Requirements

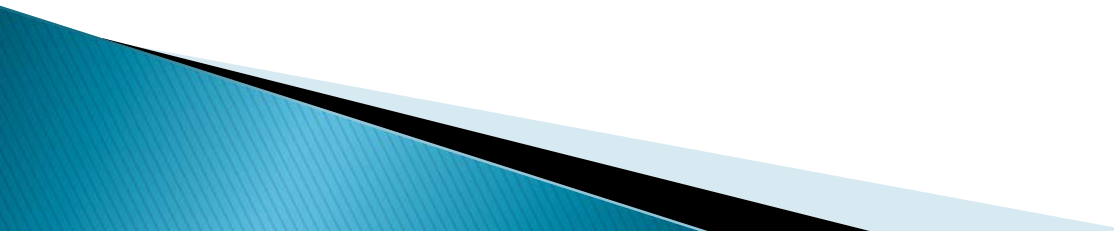
- ▶ Best 5 subjects
  - ▶ University admission requirements: 3 in Chinese, 3 in English, 2 in Math, 2 in Liberal Studies + 3 in best 2 electives
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# JAS Admission Statistics 2019

(Best 5 subjects)

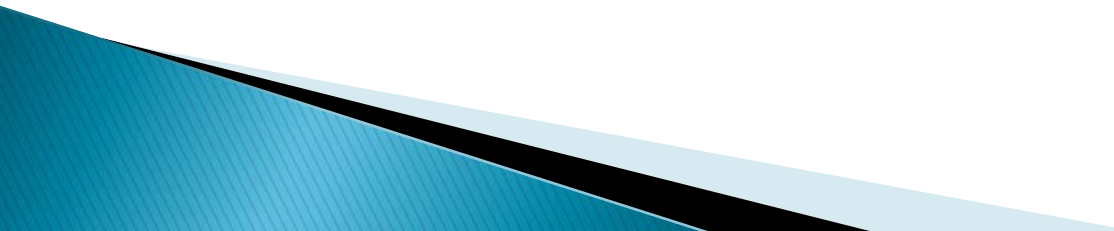
		Upper Q	Median	Lower Q
JS4068	Japanese Studies	25	24	23

# Non-JUPAS (local and non-local)

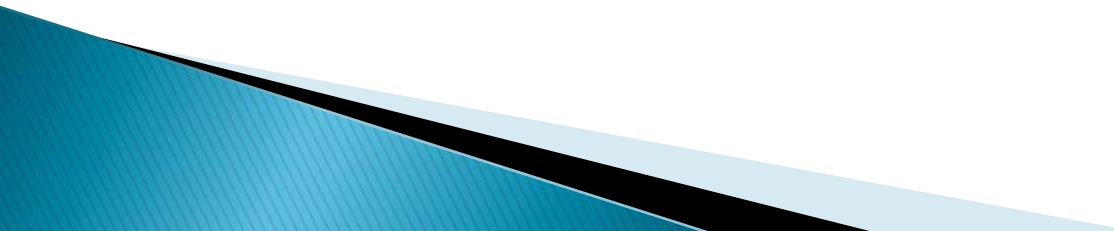
- ▶ Quota varies over years
  - ▶ IB score: 33
  - ▶ GCE A-Level: AAB or above
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# Senior-year Entrants

- ▶ Quota: 4
  - ▶ Study 2 years to graduate (no exchange year)
  - ▶ Students can apply for one-term/one-year exchange from the University central quota. Students involved must apply for suspension of study and extension of expected graduation date.
  - ▶ Minimum CGPA: 3.5
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# Japanese language?

- ▶ The Department accommodates all levels of Japanese language ability from incoming students.
  - ▶ Having studied Japanese language before is not necessarily an advantage in gaining admission to the Department.
  - ▶ Rather, the Department values students who have taken the initiative to develop and educate themselves.
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# Interviews: 30 July 2020

- ▶ The Department will invite some 60 students to attend interviews following the release of JUPAS results in July 2020.
- ▶ Students who show that they are outstanding in the areas below may be elevated in our priority ranking:
  - Ability to express oneself clearly in English
  - Curiosity and self-motivation to learn
  - Evidence of self-directed study and development
  - Capacity for critical and independent thinking
  - Leadership and teamwork skills

Thank you for your interest  
in our Department!  
We encourage you to apply!

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