

Annual Report on Program Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

Program: BA in Japanese & Linguistics

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List the learning outcomes for the program

Students graduating with a major in Japanese & Linguistics are able to demonstrate:

1. An understanding of the fundamental questions that drive modern linguistic research concerning formal structure, universals, acquisition, historical change, variation, and social dimensions of use
2. Foundational knowledge in the core areas of linguistic theory, including phonetics, syntax, and semantics
3. A high level of proficiency in the Japanese language, with respect to reading, writing, speaking, and understanding of spoken Japanese, including oral proficiency at a minimum of Intermediate High and knowledge of at least 800 kanji characters
4. An understanding and appreciation of Japanese cultural and literary traditions, practices, genres, and great works
5. Linguistic mastery of some aspect of modern-day Japanese (phonetics, phonology, syntax) or of the historical development of the language