

JAPANESE, M.A.

ADMISSIONS

Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program's admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program's website.

Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. **Applicants must meet** the minimum requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>) **of the Graduate School as well as the program(s)**. Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>).

Requirements	Detail
Fall Deadline	January 10
Spring Deadline	This program does not admit in the spring.
Summer Deadline	This program does not admit in the summer.
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Not Required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English or whose undergraduate instruction was not in English must provide an English proficiency test score and meet the Graduate School minimum requirements (https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/#english-proficiency).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	3

Thank you for your interest in our programs. The Department of Asian Languages and Cultures (ALC) offers a graduate program in Asian Languages and Cultures (<https://alc.wisc.edu/graduate-programs/>), Chinese (<https://alc.wisc.edu/graduate-programs/chinese/>) and Japanese (<https://alc.wisc.edu/graduate-programs/japanese/>).

Prior to submitting application and materials, applicants should carefully review the information regarding the program of interest and the faculty's expertise (<https://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/>) to determine the fit between their interest and the program. To this extent, prospective applicants may contact a specific faculty to discuss their research interest prior to submitting applications.

Applicants should also review the Graduate School's admission process, (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>) Graduate School's minimum requirements (<http://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/requirements/>), and program requirements and information prior to submitting the online application and fee. The application fee cannot be waived or refunded.

DEADLINES

In order to be considered for fellowships, project assistantships, and teaching assistantships (<https://alc.wisc.edu/graduate-programs/>

[graduate-studies-costs-and-financial-assistance/](#)), all application materials must be in **by January 10**.

If you do not need any funding support, you may submit applications **by April 15**.

APPLICATION PROCESS

New applicants to UW-Madison apply to programs through the Graduate School application process. Complete the online Graduate application (<https://apply.grad.wisc.edu/Account/Login/?ReturnUrl=%2f>) and select the Asian Languages and Cultures (major code 596) or Chinese (major code 171) or Japanese (major code 583) program.

If you are a currently enrolled UW-Madison graduate student and would like to add or change your current graduate program to Asian Languages and Cultures, Chinese, or Japanese, you do not need to fill out the online application. You will need to submit the following to the ALC Graduate Program Coordinator:

- ALC Departmental Application form (https://alc.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/1034/2016/06/ALC-Departmental-Application_internal2017.pdf)
- Grad School "Add/Change Program (<https://grad.wisc.edu/documents/change-program/>)" form (click on link and look for form in the "Academic Forms" box)
- Letters of recommendation
- CV or Resume
- Statement of purpose

The applications from current UW-Madison graduate students will be reviewed every spring, together with new applications submitted.