

**THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES
PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**

For students studying on:	BA (Hons) East Asian Studies
Level of study:	Level 2
Academic year of study:	2026/27
Document link:	The online version of this programme structure is the definitive version, please make sure you are reading the most up to date copy: http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=20784
Important information:	It is your responsibility to ensure that you are registered for the correct units and that they fit with your timetable, please read the structure and the accompanying guidance carefully and contact us if you have any queries or questions.
Contact:	If you have any questions about this programme structure, please contact the Languages programme administration team: salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk

Step 1: Please ensure that you have read and understood the accompanying guidance document here:

<https://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=43085>

You must be registered for 120 credits exactly. A minimum of 50 credits or a maximum of 70 credits can be taken in one semester. The credits for a full year unit are weighted evenly across both semesters.

Step 2a – Optional Course Units

SPECIAL PERMISSION TO UNDERTAKE LANGUAGE UNITS

With special permission from the Programme Director, students may be able to choose up to 40 credits in Chinese, Japanese or Korean language, of which 20 credits may be included in the 100 credits of the named subject areas of the degree (any further credits would be counted as free choice). If, however, students wish to take 40 credits in language units, they must include course units in two different languages (40 credits in the same language are not allowed, with the exception that CHIN28572 may be taken alongside another Chinese language course unit, provided the prerequisites for CHIN28572 are met). In this case, the course units can either be two LEAP units in different languages, or one LEAP unit and one degree course unit in different languages. This will be on the condition that students are a second-language learner of the chosen language and students will be assessed by the relevant instructor.

Step 2b: Optional Course Units

If you have taken 20 or more credits in language units as part of Step 2a, then you must enrol on to a minimum of 60 credits from the following course units in LIST A, with at least 20 credits in Chinese (CHIN-coded course units and HIST20422) and Japanese (JAPA-coded course units). If you have not taken 20 or more credits in language units as part of Step 2a, then you must enrol on to a minimum of 80 credits from the following course units in LIST A, with at least 20 credits in both Chinese (CHIN-coded course units and HIST20422) and Japanese (JAPA-coded course units). Please note that within the 120 credits for the year, a maximum of 20 credits can be taken at Level 1 (course code starting 1).

LIST A	Optional Course Units	Credit
Semester 1		
CHIN20061	China's Borderlands: Culture, Ethnicity and History	20
JAPA20311	Race, Class, and Gender in Japan and South Korea	20
JAPA20131	Core Themes in Animated Film and Visual Culture of Postwar Japan	20

Semester 2		
CHIN28572	Introduction to Classical Chinese (<i>Pre-requisites: Chinese Language 2 or equivalent; Native Speakers of Mandarin Chinese are not permitted to take this unit.</i>)	20
HIST20422	Late Imperial China: The Great Wall and Beyond	20
JAPA20112	Bodies, Gender, and Sexuality in Modern Japan	20

Step 5a: Minor (Flexible Honours)

If you studied a Minor in your first year and would like to continue with it, you should now select the relevant course units for the Minor, ensuring that you choose all 40 credits.

You can find the course units to select here: <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=33413> or email salc.programmes@manchester.ac.uk to discuss your options.

Please note that subject combinations are subject to approval, availability and timetabling constraints.

Step 4: Free choice

Please ensure that you have read and understood the accompanying guidance document – section on free choice - here: <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=43085>

For free choice units available in the **School of Arts Languages and Cultures** please see: <https://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/student-intranet/undergraduate/course-unit-selection/free-choice/>

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken as free choice outside of the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures.

For free choice units available from the **University College for Interdisciplinary Learning***, please see: <http://www.college.manchester.ac.uk/units/>

For free choice units available from the **University Language Centre***, please see: <https://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/study/university-language-centre-leap-courses/>

*Please note that for students studying a language as part of their degree, there are restrictions on the selection of language units as free choice. Please refer to the accompanying guidance document – section on free choice - here: <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=43085>

For a full list of free choice units available in the University, please select the My Courses tab within My Manchester: login.manchester.ac.uk