

PROGRAM 2017-18

ASIAN EAST STUDIES

BROADEN YOUR
HORIZONS



LEADERS *with* heart

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EXPLORE EAST ASIA'S ROLE IN THE WORLD

Leaders with Heart must understand a wide range of global forces and impacts in order to navigate our rapidly changing, interconnected world. What better way to develop these insights than by building an awareness of the business, religion, politics, language and culture of one of the most influential areas in the world today – East Asia.

At Huron, you'll find a highly flexible program featuring small, intimate classes, personalized coaching and opportunities for **imaginative, independent research and hands-on learning.**

Broaden your global perspectives, because **to lead, you need a heart that understands the world.**

FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- **Chinese 1**
An introduction to oral and written standard Chinese for students with no previous knowledge of the language and no previous exposure to Chinese culture.
- **Japanese 1**
An introduction to spoken and written Japanese with emphasis on the development of communicative skills. Intended for students with little or no previous knowledge of Japanese.
- **Perspectives on China**
An examination of China as it emerges in the era of globalization. Contents include territory, people, society, language, science and technology, development and sustainability. Taught in English.
- **Chinese Symbols & Icons**
A study of traditional symbols and icons ranging from "yin-yang," "dragon," "mandarin ducks" and "the double-happiness," to "the three stars," "Lord Guan" and "Avalokitesvara" (Guanyin). Taught in English.
- **Perspectives on Japan**
Contents include territory, people, language, religion, economy, popular culture, science and technology. Students investigate Japan and East Asia within today's globalized world, identify their own cultural bias and critically evaluate diverse perspectives. Taught in English.

STUDY ABROAD

Many of our students spend one or two semesters with exchange partner institutions in China, Japan and various places in East Asia, where they immerse themselves in language and culture, learn by experience and gain first-hand knowledge of these exotic and influential societies.



TOPICS

IN EAST ASIAN
STUDIES

BUSINESS
& ECONOMY

HISTORY & POLITICS

LANGUAGE

TRADITIONAL
CULTURE

CONTEMPORARY
CULTURE

LITERATURE
& MOVIES

WHY EAST ASIAN STUDIES?

- To prepare yourself for a variety of careers: Employers today are looking for people with the ability to analyze information, to find creative solutions to problems and to effectively communicate their ideas. These skills are acquired when studying language and literature.
- To give yourself an edge over the competition: Distinguish yourself from other job applicants – competency in more than one language makes you stand out.
- To increase your job opportunities: Bilingualism will make you eligible for more jobs both within and outside of Canada.
- To see the world from another perspective: Globalization of the business world demands a greater awareness of other cultures.
- To acquire deeper understanding of your own culture, cultural assumptions and biases by studying other cultures/languages.

Earn while you learn

Huron's Coordinator of Careers & Internships will help you find **paid internships** relevant to your area of study.

AFTER YOUR FIRST YEAR, YOU CAN EXPLORE ISSUES SUCH AS:

The Chinese diaspora and its literary representation | Chinese cinema | Business Chinese | Women in Chinese society | Japan through film | Business translation

PROGRAM OPTIONS

	Honors Specialization	Specialization	Major	Minor
China Studies				•
Chinese				•
East Asia Studies			•	•
Japanese				•
Japan Studies				•

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

All East Asian Studies students are encouraged to pursue their interests through independent research.

Examples of senior research projects include:

- Japanese business practice
- Challenges of bi-cultural business decision-making
- Challenges of Japan's shrinking population
- Changing role of Japanese religion
- History of the food canning industry in Japan
- Militarization of Japan
- Effective foreign language teaching

SAMPLE STUDENT TIMETABLE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Psychology 1100E Method & Theory in General Psychology 9:30am – 11:30am	Psychology 1100E Method & Theory in General Psychology Lab 8:30am – 9:30am	Chinese 1150 or Japanese 1050 Beginners Chinese/Japanese 12:30pm – 2:30pm	English 1027F The Storyteller's Art 1 11:30am – 12:30pm	Economics 1021A Principles of Microeconomics 9:30am – 10:30am
Chinese 1150 or Japanese 1050 Beginners Chinese/Japanese 12:30pm – 2:30pm	English 1027F The Storyteller's Art 1 11:30am – 12:30pm	Political Science 1020E Intro to Political Science 2:30pm – 4:30pm	Chinese 1650F or Japanese 1650F Perspectives on China/Japan 2:30pm – 3:30pm	English 1027F The Storyteller's Art 1 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Political Science 1020E Intro to Political Science 3:30pm – 4:30pm	Chinese 1650F or Japanese 1650F Perspectives on China/Japan 2:30pm – 4:30pm			

RELATED AREAS OF STUDY

Centre for Global Studies

History

Political Science

Psychology

Economics

Philosophy

Linguistics

Foreign language pedagogy

NEW HURON AND HARVARD



**HARVARD
BUSINESS SCHOOL**

As the only HBX CORE partner in Ontario, Huron students can earn a Credential of Readiness from Harvard's Business School.

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FACULTY RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Chinese women's literature

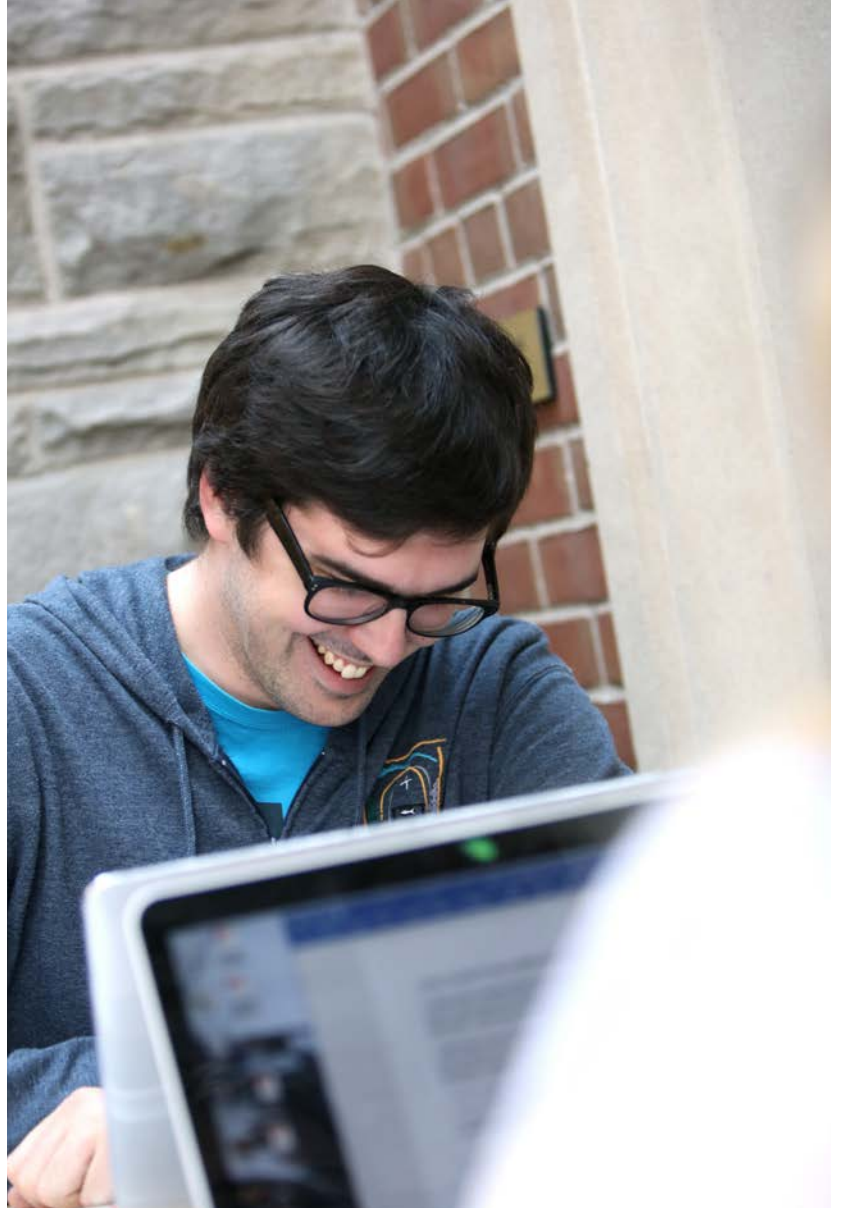
Chinese business culture

Japanese linguistics

Foreign/Japanese language
pedagogy

GET INVOLVED!

Join our weekly Friday lunch-time Japanese conversation club. Volunteer in the Ontario Area Japanese Speech Contest. Serve as an instructional assistant at the *Mori-no-Machi* (Forest City) Japanese language school on Saturdays. Be a peer guide for exchange students from East Asia. Help organize Huron's annual Japan Day and China Day.



WHERE DO OUR GRADS GO?

- Teaching (Foreign Language in Canada)
- Teaching (English in East Asia)
- Graduate studies on East Asia
- Interpreters/translators
- Canadian and International Business (in East Asia)
- NGOs
- Politics
- Journalism
- Diplomatic services
- Intelligence analyst
- Foreign Services

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at Huron can offer by
taking a campus tour,
sitting in on a class,
talking to a professor or
meeting a current student.

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