



Specialisation

Korean Studies

KOREF1

60 Units of Credit

Overview

The major stream in Korean Studies covers the study of the Korean language and the study of the social, cultural and historical aspects associated with the language. It provides you with the opportunity to develop as a competent user of the Korean language. You will gain intercultural awareness and understanding, develop explicit knowledge of language, and gain knowledge of the social, cultural and historical background of Korean-speaking people. The Korean language plays a key role in expressing the cultures and identities of the places in which it is spoken.

Learning Korean will provide you with a privileged form of access to the cultural resources and complex patterns of life in Korea and other countries. Developing competence in Korean will have an important place in promoting relationships and mutual understanding between countries and peoples.

There are two main components of Korean Studies. The first is a focus on the acquisition of competence in the Korean language. Acquiring target language competence involves a wide range of knowledge and understanding of sociocultural conventions as well as skills in self-expression, both oral and written, and skills in comprehending other's expression, both oral and written. The second component is the study of aspects of the cultures and societies associated with the Korean language. We draw upon other disciplines in order to inform understanding of Korean culture. These disciplines include linguistic, literary, cultural, historical and social productions.

This stream is available to students commencing at Introductory and Intermediate entry levels.

Placement Information

If you have prior language knowledge you will need to take an online placement evaluation so that we can assess your skills and select an appropriate level of course for you. Information about the evaluation and additional course details can be found on the web at: hal.arts.unsw.edu.au

You will not be permitted to enrol in language courses that are too easy for you. If this occurs, you will be requested to change your enrolment.

If you are admitted in your first year of study to ARTS2660 or higher on the grounds of ability and/or previous study, such courses will be counted as Level 1 courses in terms of degree requirements.

Faculty

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

School

School of Humanities and Languages

Study Level

Undergraduate

Minimum Units of Credit

60

Specialisation Type

Major

Learning Outcomes

1. Articulate a broad body of knowledge about foundational aspects of Korean society, culture and/or the arts

Scholars

2. Recognise linguistic and cultural diversity in order to examine and comprehend the one's own language and culture.

Global Citizens

Scholars

3. Collaborate effectively with others.

Leaders

Professionals

4. Communicate and debate complex ideas in a range of different contexts using a variety of suitable media

Leaders

Scholars

Professionals

5. Undertake rigorous and engaged scholarly enquiry and analysis

Professionals

Scholars

6. Identify multidisciplinary concerns and connections in relation to the Korean language and Korea's place in East Asia and beyond

Scholars

Global Citizens

7. Demonstrate intercultural responsiveness

Global Citizens

8. Exhibit initiative and self-direction

Leaders

Professionals

9. Use the Korean language with a level of fluency and understanding equivalent to an independent user as articulated in the Common European Framework

Scholars

10. Critically and creatively employ disciplinary bodies of knowledge and appraise disciplinary perspectives in professional practice and/or scholarship.

Scholars

Professionals

11. Justify a position in relation to foundational aspects of society, culture and/or the arts

Professionals

Scholars

Global Citizens

12. Engage proactively with complex problems in professional practice and/or scholarship.

Professionals

Scholars

13. Continuously acquire knowledge and skills and reflect on existing knowledge and skills for personal and career fulfilment.

Leaders

Scholars

Professionals

14. Act ethically, respectfully and responsibly

Scholars

Global Citizens

Professionals

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this [link](#).

Available in Program(s)

Program(s) in which this major is available

Bachelor of Arts - **BA**

3409 Arts

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Campus: Kensington

Units of Credit: 144

Typical Duration: 3 Years

Bachelor of Arts and Business - **BArts (Bus)**

3444 Arts and Business

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Campus: Kensington

Units of Credit: 144

Typical Duration: 3 Years

Bachelor of Commerce (Co-op) - **BCom(Co-op)**

3554 Commerce (Co-op)

Faculty: UNSW Business School

Campus: Kensington

Units of Credit: 192

Typical Duration: 4 Years

Bachelor of Commerce (International) - **BCom(International)**

3558 Commerce (International)

Faculty: UNSW Business School

Campus: Kensington

Units of Credit: 192

Typical Duration: 4 Years

Specialisation Structure

Students must complete 60 UOC.

Introductory Language Core Courses

If you commence at Introductory Level you must take 12 UOC of the following courses.

[ARTS1660](#) | 6 UOC
[Introductory Korean A](#)

[ARTS1661](#) | 6 UOC
[Introductory Korean B](#)

Intermediate Language Core Courses

You must take 12 UOC of the following courses.

[ARTS2660](#) | 6 UOC
[Intermediate Korean A](#)

[ARTS2661](#) | 6 UOC
[Intermediate Korean B](#)

Advanced Language Core Courses

You must take 12 UOC of the following courses.

[ARTS3660](#) | 6 UOC
[Advanced Korean A](#)

[ARTS3661](#) | 6 UOC
[Advanced Korean B](#)

Capstone Course

You must take 6 UOC of the following courses.

ARTS3330 | 6 UOC

Languages Capstone: Translation and Interpreting

ARTS3991 | 6 UOC

Arts and Social Sciences Capstone

Korean Contextual Studies Courses

If you commence at Introductory Level you must take 18 UOC of the following courses.

If you commence at Intermediate Level you must take at least 12 UOC of the following courses.

ARTS2211 | 6 UOC

East Asia

ARTS2663 | 6 UOC

Korea and Japan: Chinese Cultural Transmission

ARTS3640 | 6 UOC

Japan and Korea: Cultures in Conflict

Korean Professional Studies Courses

If you commence the language studies sequence at Intermediate Level you take up to a maximum of 18 UOC of the following courses.

If you commence at Intermediate Level B you must take a minimum of 12 UOC of the following courses.

ARTS3662 | 6 UOC

Korean Popular Culture and Language

ARTS3663 | 6 UOC

Professional Korean

ARTS3664 | 6 UOC

Korean Translation

ARTS3665 | 6 UOC

Korean Interpreting

ARTS3667 | 6 UOC

Teaching Korean as a Foreign Language

Commencing Mid-Year

If you commence the language studies sequence at Introductory Korean B, you must go on to complete Advanced Korean B. In order to have the required 60 UOC for the major you must complete a further 30 UOC including 24 UOC in contextual courses. If you commence the language studies sequence at Intermediate Korean B, you must go on to complete Advanced Korean B. In order to have the required 60 UOC for the major you must complete a further 42 UOC including at least 12 UOC in professional studies courses and at least 12 UOC in contextual courses.

Enrolment Disclaimer

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.

Additional Information

Language Studies for Commencing Mid-Year Students

If your language skills are assessed as Level A in Introductory, Intermediate or Advanced you cannot commence study until Term 1.

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