

Tony Wang

My name is Tony Wang, and I graduated UCSD in Spring 2012. I was a Psychology and Philosophy double major, but took Japanese language courses as electives due to a passion for Japan and its language. After graduation, I worked for Sony PlayStation in Tokyo for several years. Currently, I am a masters student in Human-Computer Interaction at Carnegie Mellon University.

I never expected to work in Japan after graduation when I was a student, but when I did decide that I wanted to live in Japan, Japanese language classes ended up being some of the most important courses I took at UCSD. Office hour chats with professors, interesting class material about modern Japan, and meetings with other students with shared interests — these were just a few of the things I loved about studying Japanese at UCSD that also helped me build skills and practical knowledge for working in Japan. I sincerely hope students who are interested in Japanese, but may not be Japanese Studies majors, take the chance to pursue their interest in Japan. You never know when Japanese language skills can help you land a job or make a new friend.