

Osaka Kyoiku University Spring Semester 2021 Course Description (Courses for International Students)

Spring Semester: April 15-August 6 /

Term1: April 15-June 11, Term2: June 14-August 6

※ Each class is 90 minutes long.

Pre-Intermediate Japanese

Pre-Intermediate Japanese a, c (2 credits/class) 日本語 初中級 a, c	
Instructor	Assistant Professor YONEZAWA Chiaki
Textbook	Japan Foundation. <i>Marugoto A2</i>
Outline of course	The aim of the course is to cultivate basic Japanese communication skills through various activities. Students are required to take 2 courses (a and c).
Assessment	Attendance and participation 20%, Assignments 40%, Presentation 40%
Pre-Intermediate Japanese b (2 credits) 日本語 初中級 b	
Instructor	Assistant Professor YONEZAWA Chiaki
Textbook	Shimada, Kazuko. <i>Kanji Tamago: Elementary and Pre-Intermediate Level</i> . Bonjinsha
Outline of course	The aim of the course is to practice basic Kanji, and to read and write using these Kanji.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 20%, Assignments 30%, Quizzes 50%
Pre-Intermediate Japanese d (2 credits) 日本語 初中級 d	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri
Textbook	Shimizu, Masayuki et al. <i>Readings for Japanese Learners: Pre-Intermediate</i> . Bonjinsha
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to practice reading texts on Japanese society and culture, and to discuss the Japanese people's way of thinking
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 30%, Examinations 40%
Pre-Intermediate Japanese e (2 credits) 日本語 初中級 e	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri
Textbook	Japan Foundation. <i>Speech for Basic Level Japanese</i>
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to increase oral proficiency by presenting a speech on a specific topic. Students will also learn presentation skills.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 10%, Speech manuscripts 20%, Presentation 40%

Intermediate Japanese

Intermediate Japanese Conversation I (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう かいわ</small> 日本語 中級 会話 I	
Instructor	Part-time Lecturer HAZAMA Akiko
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to cultivate presentation skills, and to be able to give a 10-minute paper presentation. Students will learn the necessary vocabulary, grammar, and expressions, and how to prepare a handout.
Assessment	Presentation 40%, Assignments 30%, Attendance and participation 30%
Intermediate Japanese Writing (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう さくぶん</small> 日本語 中級 作文	
Instructor	Part-time Lecturer HAZAMA Akiko
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to understand the difference between written and spoken language and to be able to write short essays in written style Japanese. In every class, students will be required to discuss on various topics and write short essays.
Assessment	Assignments 50%, Final paper (1,200 letters) 30%, Attendance and participation 20%
Intermediate Japanese Listening I (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう ちょうかい</small> 日本語 中級 聴解 I	
Instructor	Part-time Lecturer MURAI Makiko
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to improve students' listening skills, enabling them to understand important information in daily life. Students will also learn abstract vocabulary, which often appears in the news and academic settings.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 20%, Assignments 20%, Mid-term and Final examination 60%
Intermediate Japanese Reading I (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう どっかい</small> 日本語 中級 読解 I	
Instructor	Assistant Professor Yonezawa Chiaki
Textbook	Matsuda Hiroshi et al. <i>Chukyu kara Manabu Nihongo</i> . Kenkyusha
Outline of course	The aim of the course is to learn vocabulary and expressions by reading texts on different topics. The students will be required to discuss the topics with other students in the group.
Assessment	Participation 10%, Assignments 20%, Presentation 20%, Final examination 50%
Intermediate Japanese Grammar I (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう ぶんぽう</small> 日本語 中級 文法 I	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri
Textbook	Tomomatsu Etsuko et al. <i>Nihongo Hyogen Bunkei500</i> . Aruku
Outline of course	The aim of the course is to learn vocabulary and expressions, underpinned with grammar, at an intermediate level. The students will be required to use the vocabulary and expressions in real settings.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 20%, Final examination 50%
Intermediate Japanese Kanji and Writing I (2 credits) <small>にほんご ちゅうきゅう かんじ</small> 日本語 中級 漢字 I	
Instructor	Professor JOCHI Shigeru
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to learn Kanji and its vocabulary at the intermediate to pre-advanced level. Each lesson will require students to use the Kanji and words they have learned to read paragraphs.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Quizzes 30%, Final examination 40%

Pre-advanced Japanese

Pre-Advanced Japanese Reading I (2 credits) にほんご ちゅうじょうきゅう どっかい 日本語 中上級 読解 I	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	In this class, students will read various types of newspaper articles and learn vocabulary and expressions. They will be required to discuss different topics included in the articles.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 20%, Quizzes 20%, Final examination 30%
Pre-Advanced Integrated Japanese I (2 credits) にほんご ちゅうじょうきゅう そうごう 日本語 中上級 総合 I	
Instructor	Assistant Professor YONEZAWA Chiaki
Textbook	Teaching materials will be announced in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to learn pre-advanced to advanced level of vocabulary, expressions and grammar. Students are required to discuss a variety of topics using the expressions they have learned.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 40%, Final paper 30%
Japanese : Current Topics I (2 credits) じじにほんご 時事日本語 I	
Instructor	Part-time Lecturer TAKAYA Yuki
Textbook	Teaching materials will be announced in class.
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to improve students' listening skills and to build vocabulary related to current social issues in Japan. Students will listen to recent news stories and discuss various topics.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Group work and presentation 30%, Final paper 40%
Pre-Advanced Japanese Kanji and Writing I (2 credits) にほんご ちゅうじょうきゅう かんじ 日本語 中上級 漢字 I	
Instructor	Professor JOCHI Shigeru
Textbook	Teaching materials will be announced in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to improve your Kanji and vocabulary. Each lesson will require the students to use the Kanji and words they have learned to read paragraphs.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Quizzes 30%, Final examination 40%

Advanced Japanese © : Japanese class for undergraduate international students

© Japanese I a (1 credit) <small>にほんご</small> 日本語 I a	
Instructor	Professor Hasegawa Yuri, Part-time Lecturer TAKAYA Yuki
Textbook	Nitu, Nobuko, et al. (2020) <i>Ryugakusei no tame no Ronritekina Bunsho no Kakikata (new ed.)</i> . 3A network
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to learn good Japanese style. Students will also learn how to write a research paper.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Assignments 30%, Final paper 40%
© Japanese II a (2 credits) <small>にほんご</small> 日本語 II a	
Instructor	Part-time Lecturer MURAI Makiko, Part-time Lecturer INOBUCHI Chika
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this class is to acquire skimming and scanning skills, in addition to reading for detail. Using these skills, students will be able to understand text accurately and to summarize the main points. Students will read a novel during the first half of the semester and newspaper articles during the second half of the semester.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 20%, Assignments 30%, Final examination 50%

Japanese Cultural/Social Studies

Japanese Society and Culture I (2 credits) にほんしゃかいぶんか 日本 ^{にほん} の社会 ^{しゃかい} と文化 ^{ぶんか} I	
Instructor	Professor NAKAYAMA Aoi
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The goal of this course is to gain a better understanding of various aspects of contemporary Japanese society, such as male and female roles, views of marriage, pop culture, and education. Students will be required to read essays, give opinions, conduct surveys, and make presentations.
Assessment	Attendance, participation and assignments 50%, Final paper 30%, Presentation 20%
Japanese Traditional Culture I (2 credits) にほんでんとうぶんか 日本 ^{にほん} の伝統 ^{でんとう} 文化 ^{ぶんか} I	
Instructor	Professor NAKAYAMA Aoi and others
Textbook	N/A
Outline of course	This course introduces Japanese traditional culture. Students will learn by experiencing Kendo, Judo, pottery, traditional Japanese prints, Ukiyo-e.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 50%, Final paper 50%
History of Modern Japan (2 credits) にほんきんげんだいし 日本 ^{にほん} 近現代 ^{きんげんだい} 史 ^し	
Instructor	Professor JOCHI Shigeru
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The aim of this course is to understand basic issues related to modernization and to study the history of imported culture in Japan.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Final paper (2000 letters) 70%
Culture of Osaka I (2 credits) おおさかぶんか 大阪 ^{おおさか} の文化 ^{ぶんか} I	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri, Professor JOCHI Shigeru, Assistant Professor YONEZAWA Chiaki
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	The objective of this course is to learn about the history and culture of Osaka and Kansai and to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese culture. Students will visit museums and historic sites after studying about them in lectures.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 20%, Papers for each topic 60%, Presentation 20%
Practical Study of Cultural Exchange I (2 credits) ぶんかこうりゅうじっせんけんきゅう 文化 ^{ぶんか} 交流 ^{こうりゅう} 実践 ^{じっせん} 研究 ^{けんきゅう} I	
Instructor	Professor TAKAHASHI Noboru, Professor JOCHI Shigeru, Professor NAKAYAMA Aoi, Assistant Professor YONEZAWA Chiaki
Textbook	N/A
Outline of course	In collaboration with Japanese students, you will teach a class at a local elementary school to introduce your country.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 50%, Activities in Japanese schools, etc. 50%
Japanese Studies (2 credits) にほんぶんかけんきゅう 日本 ^{にほん} 文化 ^{ぶんか} 研究 ^{けんきゅう}	
Instructor	Student's Academic Advisor
Textbook	N/A
Outline of course	This course is designed for the Japanese Studies Students and Exchange Students. Students are required to choose a topic they are interested in and write a paper on that topic, based on research carried out under the guidance of their academic advisors.
Assessment	Research paper 80%, Presentation 20%

Classes for Undergraduate Students

■ : Regular class for undergraduate students

◎ : Japanese class for undergraduate international students

◎ Economic Introduction to Regions of Japan (Term1: 1 credit)・II (Term2: 1 credit) けいざい め みる ちいき と 暮らし 経済の目で見える地域と暮らし ※Advanced level students can take this course.	
Instructor	Professor TAKAYAMA Shin
Textbook	N/A
Outline of course	The objective of this class is to discover the characteristics of different regions (prefectures/cities) in Japan from an economic perspective.
Assessment	Attendance and participation (e.g., communication cards) 50%, Final assignment 50%
◎ Introduction to Reading Comprehension in Modern Japanese Literature I (Term1: 1 credit)・II (Term2: 1 credit) 日本近代文学読解入門 ※Advanced level students can take this course.	
Instructor	Professor ISHIBASHI Noritoshi
Textbook	Classroom materials and/ or online open text will be used.
Outline of course	The objective of this class is to enhance the reading comprehension and expressions of Japanese by reading modern Japanese literature.
Assessment	Pre-class assignments 30%, Attendance and participation 30%, Final report 40%
◎ Ancient History of Japanese Culture I (Term1: 1 credit)・II (Term2: 1 credit) 日本古代文化史 ※Advanced level students can take this course.	
Instructor	Professor JOCHI Shigeru
Textbook	Teaching materials will be provided in class.
Outline of course	This course provides an introduction to the culture of the Muromachi period, allowing students to understand the historical evolution of Japanese culture. Students will be encouraged to study the structural differences between cultural history and economic, political, and technological history.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Final examination 70%
■ Japanese Culture I (2 credits) 日本事情 ※Pre-advanced level students can take this course.	
Instructor	Professor HASEGAWA Yuri
Textbook	Teaching materials will be introduced in class.
Outline of course	This course aims to explore various aspects of Japanese society and culture. Students will be encouraged to draw comparisons between Japan and other countries, and understand common features, as well as differences. Topics include greetings, names, loan words, tea culture, comics (manga), and festivals.
Assessment	Attendance and participation 30%, Group work 20%, Examination 50%