

Academic Year 2023: Japanese Language Course Orientation

【For new students with student 2023 ID number】

Japanese language courses for students who have never studied Japanese before or whose Japanese proficiency level is N5.

*The N5 level allows students to take the following courses. Registration codes vary from department to department, so please check the materials of your department

【Note】

- 1 . Detailed information is also available on the web.
- 2 . Please refer to the Student Handbook (Gakusei Binran) for information about classes in your department. If you are not sure about the number of credits you need, ask your undergraduate advisor.
- 3 . The administrative office of your department will explain to you how to register for courses.
- 4 . Courses that meet twice or four times a week may not be registered for only a portion of those sessions. Please be sure to register for all of them.

* S1 refers to the first quarter, S2 to the second quarter, F1 to the third quarter, and F2 to the fourth quarter.

*If you feel that your class is too difficult or too easy, you can change the class, so please consult with your instructor after attending the first class or two.

【Courses offered in S1】

1. Course Title: Fundamentals of Japanese A

A number of credits: 4

Class Code: 100353803

Name of faculty member: Prof. Sato & Prof. Saito

Day of the week/period: Mon., Tue. ,Wed. & Fri. 3rd period

Course description:

This is a 0-start Japanese class for English speakers. In this class, students will learn Japanese in English. Also, this class is a 4-session per week face-to-face + on-demand practice class. The textbook will be "Genki I". The emphasis is not on mere memorization, but on learning to use Japanese in a proper context.

2. Course Title: JLPT Preparation A

A number of credits: 2

Class Code: 100354401

Name of faculty member: Prof. Sakamoto

Day of the week/period: Mon. & Wed. 4th period

Course description:

This class aims to achieve the N4 level of the JLPT while achieving visualization of learning outcomes. The objective is to raise all of your Japanese language skills to the N4 level, although test preparation will of course be conducted. In this class, we will meet face-to-face twice a week. However, students are expected to study the on-demand materials properly on their own. Therefore, active learning is required in the class. Please note that this is not a passive class, and you will not be able to keep up with the class if you do not constantly study the on-demand material. * This class will be offered by Prof. Goto in F1. If you feel that N4 level is too high for you at this point, you can wait until F1.

【Courses offered in S2】

1. **Course Title:** Fundamentals of Japanese B

A number of credits: 4

Class Code: 100353903

Name of faculty member: Prof. Omoto & Sato

Day of the week/period: Mon., Tue., Wed., & Fri. 3rd period

Course description:

This class is a continuation of the FOJA for English speakers. In this class, students will learn Japanese in English. Also, this class is a 4-session per week face-to-face + on-demand practice class. The textbook will be "Genki I". The emphasis is not on mere memorization, but on learning to use Japanese in a proper context.

2. **Course Title:** Japanese Project Education B

A number of credits: 2

Class Code: 100367501

Name of faculty member: Prof. Kozuka

Day of the week/period: Tue. & Wed.: 4th period

Course description:

This course is designed as a supplemental class for Japanese courses. Students are required to write their mini projects and final Project paper on various Japanese cultures and do the presentations. Students can write about the following topics: Japanese food culture, Japanese history, Japanese martial arts, Japanese literature, Japanese pop culture, Japanese society, cultural experiences, etc.... Students can also compare Japanese culture with their own culture. (For example, The Influence of Japanese food in the United States.) Write a bibliography, if necessary. Students should write the paper and do the presentation in simple Japanese.

【Courses offered in F1】

1. **Course Title:** Fundamentals of Japanese C

A number of credits: 4

Class Code: 100354002

Name of faculty member: Prof. Sakamoto & Saito

Day of the week/period: Mon. & Tue. 3rd Period Wed. & Fri. 2nd period

Course description:

This class is open to learners who have either passed this previous class or are recognized as having equivalent ability. Students will learn beginner level Japanese in English and basic Japanese. The class also aims to improve the four skills while enhancing basic communication skills. This class consists of either 8 or 4 sessions per week plus 4 on-demand (flipped classroom) sessions. Please check the online syllabus in advance to determine which format will be used. The textbook will be "Genki I & II."

2. Course Title: JLPT Preparation A

A number of credits: 2

Class Code: 100354402

Name of faculty member: Prof. Goto

Day of the week/period: Mon. & Wed. 4th period

Course description:

This class aims to achieve the N4 level of the JLPT while achieving visualization of learning outcomes. The objective is to raise all of your Japanese language skills to the N4 level, although test preparation will of course be conducted. In this class, we will meet face-to-face twice a week. However, students are expected to study the on-demand materials properly on their own. Therefore, active learning is required in the class. Please note that this is not a passive class, and you will not be able to keep up with the class if you do not constantly study the on-demand material. * If you have taken this class in S1, you cannot take it in F1.

【Courses offered in F2】

1. Course Title: Fundamentals of Japanese D

A number of credits: 4

Class Code: 100354102

Name of faculty member: Prof. Sakamoto & Saito

Day of the week/period: Mon. & Tue. 3rd Period Wed. & Fri. 2nd period

Course description:

This class is open to learners who have either passed this previous class or are recognized as having equivalent ability. Students will learn beginner level Japanese in English and basic Japanese. The class also aims to improve the four skills while enhancing basic communication skills. This class consists of either 8 or 4 sessions per week plus 4 on-demand (flipped classroom) sessions. Please check the online syllabus in advance to determine which format will be used. The textbook will be "Genki II.

2. Course Title: Japanese Project Education A

A number of credits: 2

Class Code: 100367401

Name of faculty member: Prof. Sato

Day of the week/period: Tue. & Thur. 4th period

Course description:

This course is designed as a supplemental class for Japanese courses. Students are required to write their final Project paper on Traditional Japanese Culture. Students are also required to participate in three exchange activities. Students can write about the following topics: Japanese food culture, Japanese history, Japanese martial arts, Japanese literature, etc.... Students can also compare Japanese culture with their own culture. (For example, The Influence of Japanese food in the United States.) Write a bibliography, if necessary.