

**Josai International University:**

**Outline of Japanese language course for English-speaking countries 2017**

I Spring Semester 2017

Note: Class period = 90 minutes, JLPT=Japanese Language Proficiency Test

Course	Tokyo Campus	Togane Campus
Basic Japanese I <For first time learners>	4 classes / week (90 hours) 4 units Goal: Students can conduct simple daily conversation Units conferred with the following subject names: • Basic Japanese a (4 credits)	We do not offer courses for English speaking countries. Take the following course: • Basic Japanese II 10 classes / week (225 hours) 10 units Goal: JLPT N5 level passed
Basic Japanese II <For learners equivalent to JLPT N5 level>	6 classes / week (135 hours) 6 units Goal: JLPT N4 level passed Units conferred with the following subject names: • Basic Japanese c (4 credits) • Japanese Project b (2 credits)	We do not offer courses for English speaking countries. Take the following course: • Basic Japanese II 10 Classes / week (225 hours) 10 units Goal: JLPT N4 level passed
Intermediate Japanese I <For students equivalent to JLPT N4 level>	6 Classes / week (135 hours) 6 units Goal: JLPT N3 level passed Units conferred with the following subject names: • Intermediate Japanese a (4 credits) • Japanese Project b (2 credits)	12 Classes / week (270 hours) 12 units Goal: JLPT N3 / N2 passed Units conferred with the following subject names: • Intermediate Japanese a (4 credits) • Intermediate Japanese b (4 credits) • JLPT Course b (N3 or N2)(4 credits)
Intermediate Japanese II < For students equivalent to JLPT N3>	6 Classes / week (135 hours) 6 units Target: JLPT N3 / N2 level Units conferred with the following subject names: • Intermediate Japanese c (4 credits) • Japanese Project b (2 credits)	
Advanced Japanese <For JLPT N2 equivalent learners>	4 Classes / week (90 hours) 4 units Target: JLPT N2 / N1 level Units conferred with the following subject names: • Advanced Japanese a (4 credits) Or • Advanced Japanese b (4 credits)	We do not offer courses for English speaking countries. Objective: Pass JLPT N1 / N2 Students take the following existing Japanese courses separately: • Japanese IA, IB, IIA, IIB (Comprehensive Japanese language course: 2 units each)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Japanese III (Presentation: 2 units)</li> <li>· Japanese IV (Academic writing: 2 Units)</li> <li>· JLPT Course b (N1 or N2: 4 units)</li> <li>· Business Japanese I, II (2 units each)</li> </ul>
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## II Fall Semester 2017

Course	Tokyo Campus (TBA)	Togane Campus
Basic Japanese I <For first time learners>		TBA
Basic Japanese II <For students equivalent to JLPT N5>		TBA
Intermediate Japanese I <For students equivalent to JLPT N4 level>		12 Classes / week (270 hours) 12 units Goal: JLPT N3 passed Units conferred with the following subject names: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Intermediate Japanese a (4 credits)</li> <li>· Intermediate Japanese b (4 credits)</li> <li>· JLPT Course b (N3)(4 credits)</li> </ul>
Intermediate Japanese II < For students equivalent to JLPT N3>		12 Classes / week (270 hours) 12 units Goal: JLPT N2 (N3) passed Units conferred with the following subject names: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Intermediate Japanese c (4 credits)</li> <li>· Intermediate Japanese d (4 credits)</li> <li>· JLPT Course b (N2 or N3)(4 credits)</li> </ul>
Advanced Japanese <For JLPT N2 equivalent learners>		We do not offer courses for English speaking countries. Objective: Pass JLPT N1 / N2 Students take the following existing Japanese courses individually. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Japanese IA, IB, IIA, IIB</li> </ul> (Comprehensive Japanese language course: 2 units each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Japanese III (Presentation: 2 units)</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Japanese IV (Academic Lighting: 2 units)</li> <li>· JLPT Course b (N1 or N2: 4 units)</li> <li>· Business Japanese I, II (2 units each)</li> </ul>
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### III Course overview

Course Title	<b>Basic Japanese I (Tokyo)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester, 4 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<p>This class is for learners who have never studied Japanese or learners who are at a very basic level. Students will acquire the linguistic knowledge required for the Japanese Language Proficiency Test for N5 level.</p> <p>While enhancing proficiency of all four skills, we will especially focus on communication skills. Learners will be able to conduct everyday conversations in Japanese with natural speed.</p>
Outline of Course	<p>We will focus on the conversation skills necessary for living in Japan and will teach in Japanese from the very beginning stage. Instead of lecturing, learners are required to participate in classes and to communicate. For that reason, students have to prepare in advance and they have to be ready to perform in class. Therefore, preparation and review are important.</p> <p>Also, it is important for students to submit homework on time since homework is an essential tool for review.</p> <p>In this class, we will have oral examinations in addition to the written examinations. We also have vocabulary quizzes and kanji quizzes so it is essential to review the contents before coming to class.</p>
Texts	『Genki I: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese』 (The Japan Times)

Course Title	<b>Basic Japanese II (Tokyo)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 6 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<p>This class targets learners at the beginner level of Japanese and aims to acquire knowledge of the language required for the Japanese Language Proficiency Test for N4 level.</p>

	While enhancing proficiency of all four skills, especially focusing on communication skills, learners will be able to conduct everyday conversations in Japanese with natural speed. In addition, students will acquire presentation skills where students can write compositions on their own and present them in class.
Outline of Course	In this class, active participation of learners is indispensable for improving communication skills in Japanese. Therefore, it is not a lecture class but it is a practical participatory class. Students have to prepare and be ready to perform before coming to class. Therefore, submission of homework to support preparation and reviewing materials is very important. We will have oral examinations in addition to the regular written exams. We also have vocabulary quizzes and kanji quizzes so it is essential to review the contents before coming to class. It is essential to review and preview the contents on your own. Also, you will be required to submit your essay accordingly.
Texts	『Genki II: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese』 (The Japan Times)

Course Title	<b>Intermediate Japanese I (Tokyo)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 6 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	This is the course for learners who have already learned basic Japanese. We aim to comprehensively improve the four skills. Students will acquire linguistic knowledge, speaking, listening, writing and reading needed to pass JLPT N3 level. We aim to improve students' speech skill. Also we will target to increase students' linguistic knowledge of kanji, vocabulary and grammar, and try to cultivate reading comprehension and composition skills.
Outline of Course	Students should learn beginner-intermediate sentence patterns and practice how to use them in actual conversation scenarios. Also, students will practice writing. They should be able to enhance reading comprehension skill, utilize the already learned sentence patterns and write sentences. Students can express their ideas with already acquired sentence patterns.
Texts	『Intermediate Japanese』 (The Japan Times)

Course Title	<b>Intermediate Japanese II (Tokyo)</b>
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Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 6 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learners will acquire Japanese knowledge (Kanji, vocabulary, grammar) needed to pass Japanese Language Proficiency Test N3 to N2 level, using the textbooks.</li> <li>• Students can read raw materials such as newspaper articles and novels with less difficult contents using a dictionary.</li> <li>• If students know a topic, they should be able understand the conversation of a normal Japanese speed to certain extent. Students can also communicate appropriately in daily life situations.</li> <li>• If students are given enough preparation time, they should be able to make a speech on a number of subjects.</li> <li>• Students can write sentences with a certain length, coherent with the topic they know.</li> </ul>
Outline of Course	<p>We will start from the chapter 6 of the main text. We will cover each chapter within 6 to 7 classes. Students have to prepare before coming to class and submit homework/worksheet after class. We will have kanji quizzes and vocabulary quizzes in each section and a summary test after every three lessons. We also have final exam at the end of semester (Writing test and oral test). Since the schedule for each section has been decided, it is desirable to proceed with autonomous learning.</p> <p>Students have to write essays and prepare for JLPT in addition to studying the textbook.</p>
Texts	"TOBIRA: Gateway to Advanced Japanese " Kuroshio Publishing

Course Title	<b>Advanced Japanese a (Tokyo)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 4 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will acquire linguistic knowledge such as grammar, vocabulary and kanji needed to pass JLPT N2 level.</li> <li>• Students will read various kinds of sentences and learn to understand the Japanese way of thinking and culture correctly. Students will also acquire reading comprehension skills to improve their reading comprehension skills. (Thu 2, Fri 2)</li> <li>• Listening comprehension and conversation course (Mon 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup> period: a&amp;b joint class):</li> <li>• We will enhance students' listening comprehension skill and oral</li> </ul>

	presentation skill so that students will not make big mistakes. We will conduct basic practice and application through oral presentations and question & answer session.
Outline of Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This class is for English speaking students with Japanese language ability equivalent to N3 to N2 level.</li> <li>• Each class is conducted according to the focus of each day. While exercising basic practice and application practice, we will comprehensively extend the language activity management ability of communication by "listening, writing, reading and speaking".</li> <li>• We will aim to increase Japanese proficiency for students steadily. In order to do so, students have to attend classes every time and actively participate in activities during class. Students also need to prepare for class and review materials and submit homework properly.</li> </ul>
Texts	『The Great Japanese 30 の物語』 Kuroshio Publishing 『Try! 日本語能力試験 N2 文法』 Ask Publishing 『日本語パワードリル N2 文字・語彙』 Ask Publishing

Course Title	<b>Advanced Japanese b (Tokyo)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 4 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<p>The focus of this class is to master linguistic knowledge such as grammar, vocabulary and kanji. (Mon 1, Thu 1): In this class, we aim to securely acquire linguistic knowledge which is the basis for effective communication using listening, speaking, reading and writing skills.</p> <p>The focus on this class is to master listening and speaking skills. (Mon2 and 3, a&amp;b joint class): In this class, students will practice listening and oral presentations. In addition, through basic exercise and application practice of question and answer sessions, students will learn techniques to avoid making big mistakes in listening and oral presentations when language management ability.</p>
Outline of Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We offer this course for English speaking students with Japanese ability equivalent to JLPT N3 to N1 level</li> <li>• Each class is conducted according to the focus of each day, but while doing basic practice, we will comprehensively extend the language ability management ability of communication by "listening, writing, reading and speaking".</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In order to steadily increase the Japanese language ability, it is required to attend classes every time, actively participate in activities during class, prepare, review, and do homework properly.</li> </ul>
Texts	『中級から上級への日本語なりきりリスニング』 The Japan Times 『読解厳選テーマ 10 中上級』 Bonjin Publishing 『Try!日本語能力試験N 1 文法』 Ask Publishing

Course Title	<b>Intermediate Japanese I/II (Togane)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Spring semester 12 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<p>This course aims to acquire Japanese language knowledge (Kanji, vocabulary, grammar) necessary to pass Japanese Language Proficiency Test N3 as well as reading comprehension and listening comprehension skills and pass JLPT N3 (or N2) level.</p> <p>In addition, students will acquire everyday Japanese communication skills which enable students to communicate without difficulty. Students will also acquire writing ability to describe what they want to say using learned sentence patterns and vocabulary items.</p>
Outline of Course	<p>The breakdown of 12 credits is as follows.</p> <p>1. Comprehensive Japanese (6 credits)</p> <p>In this class, students will learn contents like grammar, vocabulary and kanji by using main teaching materials. Also, students will continue with reading and discussions on the reading materials in the textbook, listening to dialogues, conversation practice, grammar review, discussion and composition. We will conduct vocabulary tests and kanji tests in each lesson, and carry out summary tests every 3 lessons.</p> <p>2. Academic Writing (2 credits)</p> <p>In this class, students become accustomed to writing in Japanese, starting with familiar and casual writing, leading to academic writing (about 500 characters). In addition, the students learn the basics of Japanese composition (written notation, stylistic body, twisted sentences, paragraphs, abstract sentences, opinion sentences) and write their opinion showing the argument.</p>

	<p>3. JLPT N3 (or N2) (4 units)</p> <p>Students will improve their Japanese language skills while practicing practical exercises of linguistic knowledge, listening comprehension and reading comprehension in order to pass the Japanese Language Proficiency Test N3 or N2.</p>
Texts	"TOBIRA: Gateway to Advanced Japanese " Kuroshio Publishing

Course Title	<b>Intermediate Japanese I (Togane)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Fall semester 12 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	This class is for students who have studied basic Japanese and aims to comprehensively improve the four skills needed to pass JLPT N3 level and study linguistic knowledge, speaking, listening, writing and reading. We will focus on increasing students' conversation skill, linguistic knowledge such as kanji, vocabulary and grammar, and also try to cultivate reading comprehension and composition skills.
Outline of Course	<p>The breakdown of 12 credits is as follows:</p> <p>1. Comprehensive Japanese (6 credits)</p> <p>Students will learn pre-intermediate and intermediate sentence patterns and practice how to use in actual conversation scenes. Students will learn reading strategies using sentence patterns already learned, and also practice writing sentences so that they can express what they want to say with the learned sentence patterns.</p> <p>2. Academic Writing (2 credits)</p> <p>In this class, students are accustomed to writing in Japanese, starting with familiar and casual writing, leading to academic writing (about 500 characters). In addition, the student learns the basics of Japanese composition (written notation, stylistic body, twisted sentences, paragraphs, abstract sentences, opinion sentences) and write their opinion showing the argument.</p> <p>3. JLPT N3 (or N2) (4 units)</p> <p>Students will improve their Japanese language skills while practicing practical exercises of linguistic knowledge and listening and reading comprehension in order to pass the Japanese Language Proficiency Test N3 or N2.</p>
Texts	『Intermediate Japanese 中級の日本語』 (The Japan Times)



Course Title	<b>Intermediate Japanese II (Togane)</b>
Semester to be offered and number of credits	Fall semester 12 units
Teaching objectives and course descriptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Students will acquire Japanese knowledge (Kanji, vocabulary, grammar), reading comprehension and comprehension skills, and pass JLPT N2 (or N3).</li> <li>· Students should be able to communicate properly in various situations of daily life, and they can make presentations and speeches with a comprehensive content.</li> <li>· Students will be able to write academic texts such as reports and essays.</li> <li>· Students should be able to learn how to study autonomously beyond learning in the classroom settings. Students will also learn skills to solve problems by themselves in various situations in the real world society.</li> </ul>
Outline of Course	<p>The breakdown of 12 credits is as follows:</p> <p>1. Comprehensive Japanese (6 credits)</p> <p>In this class, students will learn Japanese language knowledge and its application using the main textbook. We cover 1 lesson in 5 classes, and finish the textbook in all twelve lessons. This class proceeds in the order of grammar, kanji / vocabulary, reading, listening / speaking and speaking challenge. Students take kanji / vocabulary quizzes and grammar tests in each section, comprehension tests every 3 lessons, and a final exams at the end of the semester class. In addition to learning the main teaching materials, students will prepare for the Japanese recital meeting (January) and participate in regional exchange activities and practice daily Japanese learning situations.</p> <p>2. Academic Writing (2 credits)</p> <p>Students will learn the basics of written language and notation such as Japanese words and expressions of Chinese origin, study various basic formats and sentence constructions according to purpose, and practice writing reports and essays.</p> <p>3. JLPT N2 (or N3) (4 units)</p> <p>In order to pass the Japanese Language Proficiency Test N2 or N3, the student will develop his / her ability while practicing practical exercises of linguistic knowledge, listening comprehension and reading</p>

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Texts	『みんなの日本語 中級 II main text』 3a net publishing 『みんなの日本語 中級 II Translation · Grammatical explanation (English Version) 』 3a net publishing