



This is an abridged sample syllabus. Information is subject to change. Full syllabus will be distributed to registered students when term begins.

JAPN_V 101 Beginning Japanese IB

This course is designed to develop students' basic communicative competence in speaking, listening to, reading and writing modern Japanese. Emphasis is placed on active command of the language, rather than passive knowledge. The goal is not simply to acquire grammar and vocabulary, but to be able to use Japanese appropriately in various situations. We will focus on developing accuracy and fluency in basic grammatical structures of Japanese and the functional use of language in daily life situations.

By the end of this course, you will have acquired an ample grounding in basic grammar and the essential skills necessary to function in various limited daily life and social situations. You will also have developed an awareness of the sociolinguistic aspects of the Japanese language. You will be able to handle topics including your personal background, experiences and plans. You will also be able to provide information and reasons to support points of views and make comparisons.

This course is not available for credit to students with JAPN 12. Credit will be granted for only one of JAPN 101 or JAPN 160. Recommended pre-requisite: JAPN 100. This course is not available for Credit/D/Fail grading.

Mode of Delivery: In-person. The basic format of this course is lecture, incorporating frequent interactive activities including pair work, group work and discussions. Participation in weekly one-on-two drill sessions is mandatory.

Required Texts

Eri Banno et al. 2020. Genki I (3rd edition) Tokyo: The Japan Times. (Lessons 7-12)

Eri Banno et al. 2020 Genki I (3rd edition) Workbook Tokyo: The Japan Times.

Assignments

Midterm and Final Exams | 10% and 15%

Writing test | 10%

Oral and Listening test | 10% and 5%

Quizzes | 20%

By-skill assignments | 20%

Project | 10%