

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

JAPN_V 201 Beginning Japanese IIB

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 grounding in more complex basic grammar and the essential skills to function in various daily life and social situations. You will also have increased your awareness of the sociolinguistic aspects of the Japanese language. You will be able to handle a variety of topics using more complex structures to describe things, indicate facts, report hearsay and conjecture, and discuss wishes and benefactive acts. You will feel more at ease communicating in unrehearsed contexts.

Credit will be granted for only one of JAPN 201 or JAPN 103 or JAPN 260. Recommended pre-requisite: one of JAPN 102, JAPN 200. This course is not eligible for Credit/D/Fail grading.

Mode of Delivery: 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 II (3rd edition) Tokyo: The Japan Times. (Lessons 19-23)

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

Assignments

Midterm | 10%

Final | 15%

Writing, Oral, Listening Tests | 10%, 10%, 5% respectively

Quizzes | 20%

By-skill Assignments | 20%

Project | 10%