

**JPA 102
INTRODUCTORY JAPANESE II
Spring Semester 2005**



**University of Alabama at Birmingham
Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures**

Course #: JPA 102-2C
Time: 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM, Tuesdays & Thursdays
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Course Description:

JPA 102 teaches the essentials of Japanese language and culture needed for proficient communication, and includes basic exercises in listening comprehension, speaking, writing, and reading. 3 hours.

Goals:

The goals of this course include building fluency in reading, writing, oral comprehension, oral communication, and knowledge of Japanese culture. You will be tested on all of these aspects of language learning through classroom participation and exams. At the end of the course the student should be able to

- Understand and appreciate everyday elements of the Japanese culture.
- Comprehend spoken Japanese based on chapter topics and vocabulary.
- Read and understand written Japanese passages based on chapter topics and vocabulary.
- Communicate in Japanese in a variety of common situations.

Textbook:

Jorden, Eleanor Harz, with Mari Noda. *Japanese: The Spoken Language, Part 1*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1987. ISBN 0300038348

Attendance and classroom policies:

Class participation, contribution and actual speaking in the target language is crucial in order to learn a language, therefore class attendance is mandatory. Any absence is going to affect students' class participation and final grade. Ten minutes late will be considered one absence. Likewise, leaving class early will count as an absence. If under special circumstances, students need to miss classes, the following attendance policy will be applied: 2% from the FINAL grade is deducted for EACH absence above 3. More than 7 absences will result in an AUTOMATIC "F." Along with the syllabus and this handout, you will be given our departmental attendance policy. Please read it carefully.

Class preparation and class participation:

- You will be graded on the following factors daily:
- Being well-prepared for class
- Making positive contributions to the class
- Using Japanese in the classroom
- Progress in the “skill of communication”
- Volunteering to answer and ask questions
- Alertness
- Participating in exercises and activities
- Good attitude

Classroom policies:

- Class begins promptly. Ten minutes late will be considered one absence. On exam days, the oral part of the quiz will not be repeated for latecomers.
- Leaving early will be considered an absence.
- You must come to class prepared for each lesson and having studied the tape for each lesson.
- Exams are only taken on the dates and times assigned.
- Please turn off phones and pagers while in class.
- Please do not eat in class.

Homework assignments:

Each individual class session will have an assignment, either written or oral, to be completed by the next session.

Exams:

All together, three oral tests and three written tests will be administered. The first and second will cover Lessons 6 and 7, respectively. The third will be the final exam and will cover the entire semester.

Grades:

Class preparation and participation: 30%
Homework: 10%
2 oral tests & 1 oral exam: 30% (10% each)
2 written tests & 1 written exam: 30% (10% each)

Schedule:

See attached

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CALENDAR

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All dates and assignments are tentative and may be altered in writing during the semester.

- 1/4 (Tu) Orientation
- 1/6 (Th) Review of JPA 101
- 1/11 (Tu) Review of JPA 101
- 1/13 (Th) Review of JPA 101
- 1/18 (Tu) Review of JPA 101
- 1/20 (Th) Lesson 6, Section A (pp. 138-140)
Grammar: place words
Hiragana and katakana
- 1/25 (Tu) Lesson 6, Section A (pp. 140-141)
Grammar: "It is at (place)"
Hiragana and katakana
- 1/27 (Th) Lesson 6, Section A, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 135-137, 142-146)
Grammar: "There is/are (things) at (place)"
Hiragana and katakana
- 2/1 (Tu) Lesson 6, Section A (p. 146)
Grammar: Comparatives
Hiragana and katakana
- 2/3 (Th) Lesson 6, Section B (p. 149-150)
Grammar: "here/there/over there" series
- 2/8 (Tu) Lesson 6, Section B, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 146-148, 150-157)
Grammar: tentative form of *desu*
sentence endings *ka* and *ne*
Hiragana and katakana
- 2/10 (Th) Oral/written test of Lesson 6
- 2/15 (Tu) Lesson 7, Section A (pp.162-163)
Grammar: direction particles *ni*, *e*, *made*
Hiragana and katakana
- 2/17 (Th) Lesson 7, Section A (pp.162-163)
Grammar: particle for place of action *de*
Hiragana and katakana
- 2/22 (Tu) Lesson 7, Section A (p. 164)
Grammar: "There is/are (animate things)"
Hiragana and katakana

- 2/24 (Th) Lesson 7, Section A, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 158-161, 164-170)
Grammar: polite requests levels of polite verbs
Hiragana and katakana
- 3/1 (Tu) Lesson 7, Section B (pp. 175-177)
Grammar: tentative form of verbs
means of movement
humble, polite form of verbs
- 3/3 (Th) Lesson 7, Section B (p. 177)
Grammar: "want to verb" in affirmative, negative, present, and past
- 3/8 (Tu) Lesson 7, Section B (pp. 178-181)
Grammar: extended predicate
combining verbs in one sentence
Kanji
- 3/10 (Th) Lesson 7, Section B, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 170-174, 181-188)
Kanji
- 3/15 (Tu) Oral/written test of Lesson 7
- 3/17 (Th) Lesson 8, Section A (pp. 194-196)
Days of the month
Kanji
- 3/22 (Tu) Lesson 8, Section A (pp. 194-196)
Days of the week
Kanji
- 3/24 (Th) Lesson 8, Section A (pp. 194-196)
Time of day
Kanji
- 3/27–4/2 Spring Break
- 4/5 (Tu) Lesson 8, Section A (pp. 194-197)
Grammar: time duration in hours and minutes
approximation of time and time duration
Kanji
- 4/7 (Th) Lesson 8, Section A, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 189-193, 199-202)
Kanji
- 4/12 (Tu) Lesson 8, Section B (pp. 207-208)
Grammar: time particles *ni* and *made*
Kanji
- 4/14 (Th) Lesson 8, Section B (pp. 207-210)
Grammar: "from ___ till"
time duration in weeks, months, and years
Kanji
- 4/19 (Tu) Lesson 8, Section B, Conversations, Vocabulary, and Drills (pp. 202-205, 210-218)
Kanji
- 4/21 (Th) Semester review
- 4/28 (Th) Final exam: Lessons 6 – 8 (10:45 AM – 1:15 PM)