JAPN 2 Course Outline as of Summer 2025

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: JAPN 2 Title: ELEMENTARY JAPANESE 2

Full Title: Elementary Japanese - Part 2

Last Reviewed: 4/13/2020

Units		Course Hours per Week	<u> </u>	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	4.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	70.00
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 140.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: JAPAN 2

Catalog Description:

A high-beginning/low intermediate communication course designed to improve those listening, speaking, and writing skills needed for cross-cultural understanding in social, academic and work-related situations.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of JAPN 1 (or JAPAN 1 or JAPAN 51)

Recommended Preparation:

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

E Humanities Fall 2018

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

C2 Humanities Fall 2019

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

6A Language Other Than English Fall 2019

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2018 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2019 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Engage in level appropriate conversations about past, present and future activities with acceptable degree of spontaneity.
- 2. Be familiar with Japanese language and culture.
- 3. Expand and comprehend ideas, questions, instructions and requests in Japanese.
- 4. Construct and organize comprehensible written sentences, paragraphs and brief compositions using accurate Japanese syntax and cohesive elements.
- 5. Foster curiosity, inquiry, and a lifelong interest in, and enjoyment of, Japanese language learning.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Utilize common Japanese vocabulary related to everyday topics.
- 2. Read simplified passages from Japanese texts for general meaning and basic comprehension.
- 3. Communicate in traditional spoken and written Japanese.
- 4. Employ greetings and polite expressions in a culturally appropriate context and manner.
- 5. Develop and organize short sentences and paragraphs in Japanese.
- 6. Develop insight into Japanese culture, traditions and society.
- 7. Correctly express thoughts in written form utilizing appropriate traditional Japanese and Kanji characters.
- 8. Pronounce the phonetic symbols in Japanese romaji, kana and kanji.

Topics and Scope:

Content and topics will vary somewhat, but will reflect beginning communicative skills required to function in cross-cultural, academic, social, and job-related situations.

I. Sentences

- A. Discussing school work, studying and traveling
- B. Visiting friends, calling a friend
- C. Give definitions and descriptions
- D. Eating family style, eating in a restaurant, Japanese menu
- E. English to Japanese, answering questions, discussing Japanese
- F. Leaving Japan, foreign correspondence
- G. Introduction to Japanese and Chinese characters
- H. Memorization exercises (Japanese & English)
- I. Detect mood, attitude, and urgency in speech

II. Common Vocabulary

- A. Counting with appropriate numeral classifiers
- B. Expand vocabulary in the following areas: Dining out, going to a party, seeing a doctor, dating, parts of the house, sports, and travel
- C. Times duration
- D. Numbers 1,000,000 +
- E. Descriptive complements
- F. Occupations and nationalities
- G. Japanese family structures and values
- H. Information about demographics, customs, history and geography pertaining to the Japanese-speaking world and Japanese-speaking communities in the United States (U.S.)

III. Conversation

- A. Greetings, introductions, invitations, yes/no
- B. Describe and ask about locations of people, places, and things
- C. Describe activities and events in the present, past, present progressive tenses
- D. Accept and reject an invitation

IV. Parts of Speech

- A. Review of Japanese pronunciation and analogy
- B. Adverbs and Adjectives

V. Grammar

- A. Recognize common idioms ad phrases
- B. Understand common reduced forms
- C. Infer meaning from context

Assignment:

- 1. Weekly quizzes, chapter exams and final
- 2. Short compositions, simple narrative, and descriptive tasks
- 3. Engaging in pair and group activities, structured conversations, and projects
- 4. Oral presentations
- 5. Dictation and written translation
- 6. In-class participation
- 7. Comprehension questions related to textbook passages, magazine articles and/or newspaper articles
- 8. Reviewing lesson(s) from the textbook
- 9. Memorizing vocabulary and verb conjugations
- 10. Completing exercises in textbook and workbook
- 11. Reading short elementary-level paragraphs and dialogues on cultural topics featuring target grammar and vocabulary
- 12. Reading reports

Online Assignments:

1. Viewing and interpreting video programs in Japanese

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, reading reports, short compositions

Writing 20 - 30%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Workbook exercises, group activities, projects

Problem solving 10 - 20%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class dictation and translation activities, in-class oral participation

Skill Demonstrations 20 - 30%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, chapter exams and final

Exams 30 - 40%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Interpreting videos

Other Category 5 - 15%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Genki Textbook, Level 2. 2nd ed. Banno, Eri. Japan Times/Tsai Fong Books. 2011 (classic) Genki Workbook, Level 2. 2nd ed. Banno, Eri. Japan Times/Tsai Fong Books. 2011 (classic)

Adventures in Japanese Textbook, Volume 2. 4th ed. Peterson, Hiromi and Hirano-Omizo, Naomi. Cheng & Tsui. 2015 (classic)

Adventures in Japanese Workbook, Volume 2. 4th ed. Peterson, Hiromi and Hirano-Omizo, Naomi. Cheng & Tsui. 2015 (classic)

Adventures in Japanese Teacher's Guide to Go, Volume 2. Peterson, Hiromi and Hirano-Omizo, Naomi. Cheng & Tsui. 2015

Learn Japanese: New College Text: Volume 1. Young, John and Nakajima-Okano, Kimiko. University of Hawaii Press. 1984 (classic)

Learn Japanese: New College Text: Volume 2. Young, John and Nakajima-Okano, Kimiko. University of Hawaii Press. 1984 (classic)

Learn Japanese: New College Text Audio Tape: Volume 2. Young, John and Nakajima-Okano, Kimiko. University of Hawaii Press. 1984 (classic)

Learn Japanese: New College Text CD: Volume 2. Young, John and Nakajima-Okano, Kimiko. University of Hawaii Press. 1984 (classic)

