

Japanese 7

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【Course Outline / Description】

This course is designed as an early-to-intermediate stage of advanced Japanese for those who have mastered intermediate-level grammatical constructions and do not have any difficulty in daily conversation. The level of the course is suitable for students whose proficiency is at around Level 2 or slightly higher of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) administered by the Japan Educational Exchanges and Services (JEES). In this course, students will be exposed to more formal and/or academic topics such as educational systems, business operations, environmental issues, etc. to achieve higher ability in comprehension of both spoken and written materials in modern Japanese. Students will also have an opportunity to improve their colloquial knowledge of contemporary Japanese with attentive and intensive listening to audio-visual materials. Approximately half the course will be spent on discussions, speeches, debates, and/or projects, acquiring not only N1-level grammatical structures but also advanced vocabulary and idiomatic expressions. The other half of the course will be devoted to lessons with audio-visual materials, paying special attention to colloquial expressions. Prerequisite: Students must obtain D- or higher in Japanese Level 6 or its equivalent. Students who have not completed Japanese Level 6 at Kansai Gaidai must take the Japanese Language Placement Test.

Section 2

【Course Objectives/Goals/Learning Outcomes】

This course aims at enhancing students' overall competency in modern Japanese by developing communication ability in more formal topics as well as in casual ones. Specifically, there are three main goals in this course:

- 1) Students will be able to carry out more natural Japanese conversation, making use of N1-level sentence structures as well as advanced vocabulary and expressions;
- 2) Students will be able to use more appropriate expressions of politeness and honorifics, depending on the scene or situation in which they are speaking; and
- 3) Students will be able to make a presentation and/or conduct a debate about more formal and/or academic topics.

Section 3

【Class Schedule/Class Environment, Literature and Materials】

| | Schedule of Instruction | Work Outside of Classroom Activities |
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| Lecture 1 | Orientation | Read p. vi. |
| Lecture 2 | Lesson 1 Dialogs 1 [～までもない] & 2 [～わけではない] | Read pp. 1-2 & 5. Complete pp. 9-10. |
| Lecture 3 | Lesson 1 Dialogs 3 [～ながらも] & 4 [～といい、～といい] | Read pp. 2-4 & 6. Complete pp. 11-12. |
| Lecture 4 | Lesson 1 Quiz/Speech [～といえども] | Read pp. 7-8. Complete pp. 12-13. |
| Lecture 5 | Lesson 1 Presentation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 6 | Lesson 2 Dialogs 1 [～さえ～ば] & 2 [～にかぎらず] | Read pp. 21-22 & 25-26. Complete pp. 30-31. |
| Lecture 7 | Lesson 2 Dialogs 3 [～におうじた] & 4 | Read pp. 23-24 & 26. Complete pp. 31-33. |
| Lecture 8 | Lesson 2 Quiz/Speech [～にしたがって] | Read pp. 27-29. Complete pp. 31-35. |
| Lecture 9 | Lesson 2 Debate | Read the handout. |

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| Lecture 10 | Unit Test (LL1-2) | Review LL1-2. |
| Lecture 11 | Lesson 3 Dialog 1 [～にこたえて] | Read pp. 41 & 45. Complete pp. 50-52. |
| Lecture 12 | Lesson 3 Dialogs 2 [～ないではすまない] & 3 [～をとわず] | Read pp. 41-44 & 45-46. Complete pp. 52-53. |
| Lecture 13 | Lesson 3 Quiz/Speech [～ところを] | Read pp. 47-49. Complete pp. 53-55. |
| Lecture 14 | Lesson 3 Presentation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 15 | Lesson 4 Dialogs 1 [～をもって] & 2 [～にかかわる] | Read pp. 65-66 & 68-69. Complete pp. 74-76. |
| Lecture 16 | Lesson 4 Dialogs 3 [～なり] & 4 [～かたわら] | Read pp. 66-67 & 69-70. Complete pp. 76-78. |
| Lecture 17 | Lesson 4 Quiz/Speech | Read pp. 71-73. |
| Lecture 18 | Lesson 4 Debate | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 19 | Lesson 5 Dialogs 1 [～てたまらない] & 2 [～とは] | Read pp. 83-85 & 87-88. Complete pp. 92-94. |
| Lecture 20 | Lesson 5 Quiz/Dialog 4 [～がち] | Read pp. 86 & 88. Complete pp. 94-95. |
| Lecture 21 | Review | Review LL1-5. |
| Lecture 22 | Midterm Oral Exam | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 23 | Midterm Written Exam | Review LL1-5. |
| Lecture 24 | Explanation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 25 | Scripts 1-1 [～てん] & 1-2 [～(ん)ですって] | Complete pp. 1-7 & 9-16. |
| Lecture 26 | Script 1-3 [どうせ] | Complete pp. 19-24. |
| Lecture 27 | Scene 1 Quiz | Read pp. 8, 17-18 & 25. |
| Lecture 28 | Scene 1 Presentation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 29 | Scripts 2-1 [～たって] & 2-2 [～かかない] | Complete pp. 27-35 & 37-45. |
| Lecture 30 | Script 2-3 [～ようもしない] | Complete pp. 47-53. |
| Lecture 31 | Scene 2 Quiz | Read pp. 36, 46 & 54. |
| Lecture 32 | Unit Test (Scenes 1-2) | Review Scenes 1-2. |
| Lecture 33 | Scripts 3-1 [～せいだ] & 3-2 [よく～] | Complete pp. 55-61 & 65-72. |
| Lecture 34 | Script 3-3 [～わけ(が)ない] | Complete pp. 75-81. |
| Lecture 35 | Scene 3 Quiz | Read pp. 62-63, 73 & 82. |
| Lecture 36 | Scene 3 Debate | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 37 | Scripts 4-1 [～というか～というか] & 4-2 [つい] | Complete pp. 83-89 & 91-98. |
| Lecture 38 | Scene 4 Quiz | Read pp. 90 & 99-100. |
| Lecture 39 | Scripts 5-1 [～てたまるか] & 5-2 [たとえ～] | Complete pp. 101-106 & 109-115. |
| Lecture 40 | Script 5-3 | Complete pp. 119-124. |
| Lecture 41 | Scene 5 Quiz | Read pp. 107, 116-117 & 125-126. |
| Lecture 42 | Scene 5 Presentation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 43 | Scene 5 Presentation | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 44 | Final Oral Exam | Read the handout. |
| Lecture 45 | Review | Review Scenes 1-5. |

The Final Written Exam will be given during the Final Exam week.

【Textbooks/Reading Materials】

Kansai Gaidai original textbooks

Section 4

【Learning Assessments/Grading Rubric】

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| Final Exam | 30% |
| Midterm Exam | 20% |
| Unit Tests | 20% |
| Presentations/Debates | 20% |
| Quizzes | 10% |

Your final grade will be dropped 0.5% for each absence. In addition, 0.2% will be deducted from your final grade, each time you are late for class. When you come to class more than 25 minutes late, it will be considered to be an absence, and your final grade will be dropped 0.5%.