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Section 1	
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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. 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. Students will also be engaged in writing speech drafts. 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 University must take a 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 write a speech draft, make a presentation, and/or join a discussion about more formal and/or academic topics.

Section 3

	Schedule of Instruction	Work Outside of Classroom Activities
Lecture 1	Orientation	Read p. vi.
Lecture 2	Lesson 1 Dialog 1 [~までもない]	Read pp. 1 & 5. Complete p. 9.
Lecture 3	Lesson 1 Dialog 2 [~わけではない]	Read pp. 1-2 & 5. Complete pp. 9-10.
Lecture 4	Lesson 1 Dialog 3 [~ながらも]	Read pp. 2-3 & 6. Complete pp. 11-12.
Lecture 5	Lesson 1 Dialog 4 [~といい、~といい]	Read pp. 3-4 & 6. Complete p. 12.
Lecture 6	Lesson 1 Speech [~といえども]	Read pp. 7-8. Complete pp. 12-13.
Lecture 7	Lesson 1 Review/Unit Test	Review L1.
Lecture 8	Lesson 1 Draft Discussion	Read the handout.
Lecture 9	Lesson 1 Presentation	Read the handout.
Lecture 10	Lesson 2 Dialog 1 [~さえ~ば]	Read pp. 21-22 & 25. Complete p. 30.
Lecture 11	Lesson 2 Dialog 2 [~にかぎらず]	Read pp. 22 & 25-26. Complete pp. 30-31.
Lecture 12	Lesson 2 Dialog 3 [~におうじた]	Read pp. 23 & 26. Complete pp. 31-33.

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Lecture 13	Lesson 2 Dialog 4	Read pp. 23-24 & 26.
Lecture 14	Lesson 2 Speech [~にしたがって]	Read pp. 27-29. Complete pp. 33-35.
Lecture 15	Lesson 2 Review/Unit Test	Review L2.
Lecture 16	Lesson 2 Draft Discussion	Read the handout.
Lecture 17	Lesson 2 Presentation	Read the handout.
Lecture 18	Discussion with Japanese Students	Read the handout.
Lecture 19	Review/Midterm Oral Exam	Read the handout.
Lecture 20	Review	Review LL1-2.
Lecture 21	Lesson 3 Dialog 1 [~にこたえて]	Read pp. 41 & 45. Complete pp. 50-52.
Lecture 22	Lesson 3 Dialog 2 [~ないではすま ない]	Read pp. 41-42 & 45-46. Complete p. 52.
Lecture 23	Lesson 3 Dialog 3 [~をとわず]	Read pp. 42-44 & 46. Complete pp. 52-53.
Lecture 24	Lesson 3 Speech [~ところを]	Read pp. 47-49. Complete pp. 53-55.
Lecture 25	Lesson 3 Review/Unit Test	Review L3.
Lecture 26	Lesson 3 Draft Discussion	Read the handout.
Lecture 27	Lesson 3 Presentation	Read the handout.
Lecture 28	Lesson 4 Dialog 1 [~をもって]	Read pp. 65 & 68. Complete pp. 74-75.
Lecture 29	Lesson 4 Dialog 2 [~にかかわる]	Read pp. 65-66 & 68-69. Complete pp. 75-76.
Lecture 30	Lesson 4 Dialog 3 [~なり]	Read pp. 66-67 & 69-70. Complete pp. 76-77.
Lecture 31	Lesson 4 Dialog 4 [~かたわら]	Read pp. 67 & 70. Complete pp. 77-78.
Lecture 32	Lesson 4 Speech	Read pp. 71-73.
Lecture 33	Lesson 4 Review/Unit Test	Review L4.
Lecture 34	Lesson 4 Draft Discussion	Read the handout.
Lecture 35	Lesson 4 Presentation	Read the handout.
Lecture 36	Lesson 5 Dialog 1 [~てたまらない]	Read pp. 83-84 & 87. Complete p. 92.
Lecture 37	Lesson 5 Dialog 2 [~とは]	Read pp. 84-85 & 87-88. Complete pp. 93-94.
Lecture 38	Lesson 5 Dialog 3 [~ことはない]	Read pp. 85 & 88. Complete p. 94.
Lecture 39	Lesson 5 Dialog 4 [~がち]	Read pp. 86 & 88. Complete pp. 94-95.
Lecture 40	Lesson 5 Speech [~ものだから]	Read pp. 89-91. Complete pp. 95-97.
Lecture 41	Lesson 5 Review/Unit Test	Review L5.
Lecture 42	Lesson 5 Draft Discussion	Read the handout.
Lecture 43	Lesson 5 Presentation	Read the handout.
Lecture 44	Review/Final Oral Exam	Read the handout.
Lecture 45	Review	Review LL1-5.
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【Textbooks/Reading Materials】 Kansai Gaidai original textbook

Section 4

Learning Assessments/Grading	Rubric
Final Exam (incl. final project)	30%
Midterm Exam	10%
Presentations	20%
Speech Drafts	20%
Unit Tests	20%

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[Additional Information]

It is critical that students attend classes regularly. Your final grade will be dropped 0.5% for each absence. Be in class by the time the start bell rings. 0.2% will be deducted from your final grade, each time you are late for class. This policy is subject to change depending on the epidemic spread of COVID-19.