Business Japanese

Section 1

Instructor/Title

[Course Outline / Description]

This course is for learners with an intermediate-advanced Japanese language level. The course is suitable for students who are looking at career opportunities in Japanese companies. The main activity of this course is speaking exercises focusing on superior-subordinate/ingroup-outgroup distinctions in the workplace. Students also get to know basic patterns to write business mails and Japanese business manners. Students are expected to take part in a simulation exercise for a job interview.

Prerequisite: currently enrolled in Japanese Level 5 or higher basic knowledge of Japanese honorific language (敬語)

Section 2

[Course Objectives/Goals/Learning Outcomes]

- 1. to be able to understand and use words and expressions useful for business purposes
- 2. to be able to deal with various business situations using honorific expressions and different speech styles.
- 3. to be able to understand and write basic business mails
- 4. to have a good basis to prepare for a job interview

Section 3

[Class Schedule/Class Environment, Literature and Materials]

	Class Contents
1	Orientation
	L1: Introductions in business
2	L1: Introductions in business
	(writing assignment: "self-introduction")
3	Vocabulary quiz L1
	L1: Introductions in business
	L2: Greetings in business
4	L2: Greetings in business
	Business manners 1
5	Vocabulary quiz L2
	L2: Greetings in business
	Honorific expressions for business
6	L3: Asking for Permission
7	L3: Asking for Permission
	Business manners 2
	(writing assignment: dialog of L3)

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Vocabulary quiz L3	
L3: Asking for Permission	
L4: Making Requests	
L4: Making Requests	
(writing assignment: dialogs of L4)	
Vocabulary quiz L4	
L4: Making Requests	
Handout「就職活動」	
Business mail 1	
Review	
Midterm Oral test	
Midterm Written test	
L5: Inviting	
Preparation for Interview "Entry sheet"	
(writing assignment: "Entry sheet")	
Vocabulary quiz L5	
L6: Telephoning	
L6: Telephoning	
Vocabulary quiz L6	
Business manners 3	
Practice for Simulation	
Interview Simulation	
Interview Simulation	
Business Mail 2	
L7: Making Appointments	
Vocabulary quiz Business Mail 2	
L7: Making Appointments	
L7: Making Appointments	
L8: Proposals and Offers of Help	
L8: Proposals and Offers of Help	
Vocabulary quiz L8	
Case study	
Review	
Review	
Final Oral Test	
Final Written test	

[Textbooks/Reading Materials]

しんそうばん 『新装版ビジネスのための日本語初中級』 ちょしゃ よねだりゅうすけ ふじいかずこ しげのみえ いけだひろこ 著者:米田隆介、藤井和子、重野美枝、池田広子 しゅっぱんしゃ 出版社:スリーエーネットワーク

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Section 4

[Learning Assessments/Grading Rubric]

final exam 30% (oral 10% / written 20%)

midterm exam 30% (oral 10% / written 20%)

Quiz 15%

interview simulation 15%

Assignments 10%

Section 5

[Additional Information]

- 1. An assignment submitted later than the deadline will cause a 20% point reduction.
- 2. The quiz will be held in the first 10 minutes of the class. There is no make-up quiz for the students who missed the quiz. The worst score of the quizzes in the semester will not be included in the result.
- 3. The exams will not be rescheduled for any reason. Make-ups will be given only for medical reasons with written proof.
- 4. We will conduct a lot of speaking practices in pairs.
- 5. The oral tests and the interview simulation will be recorded only for grading.