Japanese (JPAN)

JPAN 0100 Beginning Japanese I
Intended for students who have no Japanese background. All four skills, speaking/listening/writing/reading, are equally emphasized. Hiragana/Katakana (Two sets of Japanese syllabic letters) and some Chinese characters (Kanji) are introduced. Textbooks: Genki I (Lesson 1- Lesson 7). Kanji: reproduction-approx.70/recognitio-approx.110
Fall
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0103 Spoken Japanese I
Intended for students who have no Japanese background. The major emphasis is on oral communication skills, although some reading and writing instructions are given. Japanese pop-culture will also be incorporated.
Fall
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0105 Spoken Japanese II
Although some reading/writing instruction is given, the major emphasis is on oral communication skill.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0103
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0200 Beginning Japanese II
A continuation of Beginning Japanese I, this course continues the introduction of the Japanese language. All four skills, speaking/listening/writing/reading, are equally emphasized. Hiragana/Katakana (Two sets of Japanese syllabic letters) and some Chinese characters (Kanji) are introduced. Textbooks: Genki I (Lesson 1- Lesson 12) and Genki II (Lesson 13- Lesson 14)Kanji: reproduction-approx. 170/recognition-approx.250
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0100
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0210 Intensive Beginning Japanese I
Intended for students who have little or no background in Japanese who wish to finish the language requirement in one year. This is equivalent to Beginning Japanese I & II in one semester, 2CU. Textbooks: Genki I (Lesson 1- Lesson 12) and Genki II (Lesson 13- Lesson 14)Kanji: reproduction-approx.170/recognition-approx.250
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0100
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0300 Intermediate Japanese I
This course is a continuation of Beginning Japanese II and focuses on the development of the elementary grammatical structures of the Japanese language through aural-oral practices. The course also aims to develop the four basic skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The course also introduces aspects of Japanese culture and customs, knowledge that is necessary for behaving in a socio-culturally appropriate manner. Students will learn and practice skills to communicate in situations they might face in real life. Example topics and functions are travel, part-time job, work, asking for favors, asking permission, stating your intension/opinion, reporting what you heard, and various speech styles including Keigo (respectful speech).Textbooks: Genki II (Lesson 15- Lesson 21) will be covered, and around 100 new Kanji will be introduced. Overall kanji knowledge will be 286.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0200 OR JPAN 0210
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0400 Intermediate Japanese II
Prerequisites: Completion of Intermediate Japanese I or the equivalent. This course completes the College language requirement. Textbooks: Genki II (Lesson 22- Lesson 23)and Tobira: Gate way to Advanced Japanese (Unit 1-Unit 3) Kanji: Approximately 140 new Kanji will be introduced. Overall Kanji knowledge will be about approx. 400.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0300
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0410 Intensive Beginning Japanese II
A continuation of Intensive Beginning Japanese I, this class is equivalent to Beginning Japanese III and Beginning Japanese IV in one semester, 2CU; and completes the College language requirement. Textbooks: Genki II (Lesson 13- Lesson 23) and Tobira: Gate way to Advanced Japanese (Unit 1-Unit 3) Kanji: Approximately 140 new Kanji will be introduced. Overall Kanji knowledge will be about approx. 400.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0200 OR JPAN 0210
2 Course Units

JPAN 0500 High Intermediate Japanese I
A continuation of Japanese language beyond the language requirement. Textbooks: Tobira: Gateway to Advanced Japanese (Unit 4-Unit 8) Kanji:reproduction-approx.400/recognition-approx.550
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0400 OR JPAN 0410
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0600 High Intermediate Japanese II
A continuation of Japanese language at the intermediate level. Textbooks: Tobira: Gateway to Advanced Japanese (Unit 9-Unit 15) Kanji: reproduction-approx.470/recognition-approx.650
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0500
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0700 Advanced Japanese I
This course is a continuation of Japanese language at the upper intermediate level, and authentic materials and video clips will be used.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0600
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0760 Japanese for the Professions I
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0600
1 Course Unit

JPAN 0780 Japanese for the Professions II
PREREQUISITES Completion of Advanced Japanese I or the equivalent. Authentic materials and video clips will be used.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0760
1 Course Unit
JPAN 0860 Japanese for the Professions II
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 0760
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1040 Advanced Japanese III
A continuation of Japanese language beyond the intermediate level, and Authentic materials and video clips will be used.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0800 OR JPAN 0860
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1045 Advanced Japanese IV
A continuation of Japanese language at the advanced level. Authentic materials and video clips will be used.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 1040
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1050 Readings in Classical Japanese I
Readings in classical texts drawn from the Heian, Kamakura, Muromachi, and Edo periods. Introduction to the different styles of classical Japanese, and to classical Japanese as a whole.
Fall
Also Offered As: EALC 3641
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1080 Advanced Japanese for Proficiency I
This course is for students with an advanced background in Japanese, who are interested in taking at least the Level 2 Japanese Proficiency Test. Solid grammar, an extensive vocabulary, and the knowledge of at least 800-900 Chinese characters is required. This course is not continuous with any existing intermediate or advanced-level Japanese course; therefore, your grade from any of those courses does not qualify you to take this class. Eligibility will be determined through an interview and placement test taken in the first meeting. All students who take this course are required to take the Japanese Proficiency Test in December. Since the JLPT is administered in December every year, if you wish to fully prepare for the test, the instructor strongly recommends that you take Advanced Proficiency II in the same calendar year. For example, if you plan to take the test in December, take Advanced Proficiency II the prior spring and take Advanced Proficiency I in the fall. Different from other courses, this full-year course begins in the spring and ends in the fall, because the test is given in December. However, participation in 482 is optional.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 0800 OR JPAN 0860
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1085 Advanced Japanese for Proficiency II
This course is for students with an advanced-low or advanced-mid background in Japanese, aiming to strengthen the four language skills (speaking, reading, writing, and listening) and to deepen their understanding of Japanese culture. The class will use authentic Japanese through media, such as newspapers, television, and articles, regarding Japanese culture and society as well as current news. Students will narrate, describe, and express their opinions with details, examples, and strong reasoning, using sophisticated terms and phrases related such topics.
Spring
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1140 Readings in Advanced Japanese
Readings in advanced literary and journalistic texts written in modern Japanese.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 1045
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1145 Readings Advanced Japanese II
Readings in advanced literary and journalistic texts written in modern Japanese.
Spring
Prerequisite: JPAN 1140
1 Course Unit

JPAN 1148 Japanese-English Translation
In this course, students learn basic techniques and skills in translation through hands-on practices. Depending on the interests of enrolled students, both literary and non-literary texts are drawn from a wide range of fields, including popular culture (e.g. manga, animation, film, game, music, and short story), religion, law, and medicine. As students read papers pertinent to principles and problems of translation from Japanese to English, they acquire practical experience in translation tasks and approaches, learn cultural and communicative differences between Japanese and English, and familiarize themselves with ethics and resources.
Fall
Prerequisite: JPAN 1045
1 Course Unit