

COURSE SYLLABUS-FALL 2015
JAPANESE 01-565-101, Section 08
Department of Asian Languages and Cultures

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Textbooks: (1) *An Integrated Courses in Elementary Japanese "Genki" I*, 2nd edition
The Japan Times, 2011. ISBN 978-4-7890-1440-3. \$50⁰⁰
(2) *"Genki" I: Workbook*, 2nd edition
The Japan Times, 2011. ISBN 978-4-7890-1441-0 \$24⁰⁰

Recommended Materials (Not required):

- (1) *Oxford Beginner's Japanese Dictionary*
Oxford University Press, 2007. ISBN 978-0199298525. \$15⁹⁵
- (2) *The Kodansha Kanji Learner's Dictionary: Revised and Expanded*
Kodansha, USA, 2013. ISBN 978-1-56836-407-0. \$45⁰⁰

Course Description:

- This course is designed for students who have no prior knowledge of the Japanese language to offer them opportunities to develop fundamental proficiency in modern Japanese at the elementary level. Our emphasis is on linguistic competency in four components; listening, speaking, reading and writing. In addition, students will gain the basic knowledge and understanding of Japanese culture. The instructor will introduce and explain new expressions and grammatical patterns, give students the opportunity to practice them, and help them learn to speak and perform correctly in a variety of cultural and social situations. This course will cover from Lesson 1 to 6 of "Genki" textbook.
- If you have learned Japanese at high school or at another college, you may not be able to earn credit for this course. Please talk to the instructor if you have learned Japanese in whatever setting before.

Course Objectives: At the end of the course students will be expected to perform in all four skills—speaking, listening, reading and writing—at a basic level of proficiency. More precisely, students will be able to:

- read and write *hiragana*, *katakana*, and 58 *kanji*.

- speak and read with proper Japanese pronunciation and accent.
- understand basic Japanese sentence structures and the use of particles.
- introduce themselves and their family.
- use time expressions and numbers.
- describe actions, activities, and locations.
- state likes and dislikes.
- describe people and things with adjectives.
- ask and answer simple questions on familiar topics.
- handle simple tasks such as buying things, ordering a meal, and asking directions.
- interact with others by making a polite request, asking for permission, inviting to do something, offering assistance, etc.
- have basic understanding of Japan such as food, housing, holidays, festivals, and educational system.

Grading:	Regular, on-time attendance	4%
	Active Participation	2%
	Assignments	10%
	Reading (recording)	2%
	Composition	3%
	Quizzes: <i>hiragana/katakana</i>	3%
	vocab/ <i>kanji</i> etc.	14%
	End-of-Lesson Test	17%
	Oral Examination	6%
	Midterm Examination	17%
	Final Examination	22%

Letter grade will be given according to the following scale:

A: 90%≤ B+: 87%≤ B: 80%≤ C+: 77%≤ C: 70%≤ D: 60%≤ F: 60%>

Attendance:

- Regular on-time attendance is absolutely necessary. Three absences or more will negatively affect your grade. Every 3 instances of unexcused tardiness or early class departure (more than 5 minutes for either) will count as one absence. Missing a class for more than 40 minutes will be also considered one absence. Please be notified that 10 absences or more will not allow you to pass this course.
- If you expect to miss classes, please e-mail your instructor or use the University website < <https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/> > to indicate the date and reason for your absence. In cases such as a job interview, a conference, religious observance, and other inevitable commitments, the student will be excused without penalty and will be allowed to make-up the work missed. You are responsible to provide notification to your instructor about necessary absences BEFORE the date of the engagement. Any other absences will be considered an unexcused absence.
- It is YOUR responsibility to keep up with what you have missed for any reason.
- If you are traveling from another campus to this class and are having difficulty

getting to class on time, please let the instructor be aware of your situation.

Participation:

- A participating grade is given for active participation only, which includes coming to class prepared for the day's work. You are expected to work with the CD before you come to class. (Listen to your CD repeatedly). Practice assigned materials until you are able to engage in interaction comfortably and smoothly. Please do assigned materials BEFORE you come to class. Write down the answers on the textbooks or on your personal notebook so that you can answer questions quickly and we can practice more exercises in class.
- In class we will use English for explanations/ questions as appropriately; otherwise we will use Japanese as much as possible. Do not say things in English you could say in Japanese. You should make every effort to use Japanese as much as possible, both in and out of class.
- It is your responsibility to check Sakai and email regularly for the latest important information between you and the instructor.

Assignments:

- Turn in written homework at the beginning of the class. Late homework will be accepted, if it is submitted by the beginning of next class. However, there will be 30% deduction of your grade for the late assignment. The basic assignment is workbook, and some additional homework will be given in class. (Ex. Hiragana & Katakana practice hand-outs)

Reading Assignment:

- There will be one reading assignment. You will be asked to record one passage assigned in class and upload the audio file to Sakai. The due date will be November 20(Friday).

Essays:

- There is one composition assignments during this semester. The due date is December 1(Tuesday). The title and other details will be announced in class time.

Quizzes and Tests:

- There will be three kinds of quizzes per lesson. They are vocabulary quizzes, dialogue quizzes, and Kanji (L1-Hiragana, L2-Katakana) quizzes. Dialogues quizzes are oral presentation. You memorize the application dialogue of each lesson, and do conversation with your classmates. You can make some arrangement so that the conversation fits to your real life situation. (More

detail will be explained in class.) Normally quizzes and tests are given at the beginning of the class. If you are late to class, you will not be given extra time. You can't get full credit for the make-up quizzes and tests.

Midterm and Final Exam:

- The Midterm examination will be held in the regular class period (see schedule) The Final examination will be administered on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at 8:00-11:00pm. Please make any necessary arrangements so that you can take the exams on the day and time assigned to your section. Please check your exam schedule on the <http://finalexams.rutgers.edu/> All students must take the exams on date indicated. Both Midterm and Final exams are mandatory. No make-ups are given unless you have reason with a valid documentation.
- The Midterm and Final will have at least one oral comprehension components. Therefore, it is very important you work with audio materials and participate orally in class as much as possible.
- Oral Test is scheduled on December 10th (Wed.) You are assigned to conduct a face to face conversation with the instructor about five minutes per student. Details will be explained in class before the exam.

Extra Credit:

- I will not give you extra credit. Do the regular homework and classwork appropriately. If you have any concern, please don't hesitate contact me.

Other:

Academic Integrity

- Academic integrity is an extremely important issue. Students who copy other people's assignments, quizzes, tests, or examinations will not receive any credit. You must NOT give or receive answers to/from other students. For Rutgers Academic Integrity Policy (violations and sanctions), see <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/academic-integrity-policy>

Recommended Websites:

- “Genki” online self-study room
<http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/self/self.en.html>
- Hiragana and Katakana practice website
<http://www.realkana.com/>

- Online flashcard program
<http://ankisrs.net/>
(Some users have made decks for “Genki”.)
<https://ankiweb.net/shared/decks/genki>
- Videos of skits about experience of an exchange student, Erin
<https://www.erin.ne.jp/en/>
- Tae Kim's Guide to Learning Japanese
<http://www.guidetojapanese.org/learn/>
- Vocab practice program
<http://quizlet.com>
- Japanese in Anime and Manga
<http://anime-manga.jp/>
- Japanese Language Proficiency Test
<http://www.jlpt.jp/>

Schedule (subject to change)

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Date	Lesson	Class	Quiz/Test	Assignment Due
9/ 01	火	Introduction Greetings		****
03	木	*Hiragana Introduction		****
04	金	Numbers (0-100)		****
08	火	No class (Labor Day)		
10	木	Grammar 1	Vocab Quiz (L1)	p.11-12 p117-p123
11	金	Grammar 2		P.13-14 Hiragana handout①Due
15	火	Grammar 3	Dialogue Quiz (p38-39/New Friends)	P.15-16
17	木	Reading Practice(p292) Review L1		p.17- 18 CD Hiragana handout ② Due
18	金	* Katakana Introduction	*Hiragana Quiz	p.19-20
22	火	Grammar 1	Lesson Test (L1)	p.124
24	木	Grammar 2	Vocab Quiz (L2)	p.125-126
25	金	Grammar 3	Dialogue Quiz (p84-85/Making a Date)	p.127-128
29	火	Grammar 4		p.21-22 Katakana handout Due
10/01	木	Grammar 5.6.7	*Katakana Quiz	P.23-24
02	金	Review (L2) Reading Practice(p297)		p.25CD p.26
06	火	*Kanji Introduction	Lesson Test (L2)	p.129-130
08	木	Grammar 1 (Verb Conjugation)		p.27-28
09	金	Grammar 2	Vocab Quiz (L2)	p.29-30
13	火	Grammar 3 (Particles)	Dialogue Quiz (p58-59/Shopping)	p.31-32
15	木	Grammar 4.5		p.33-34 CD

16	金	3	Grammar 6.7.8 Review (L1-3)	*Kanji Quiz (L3) 一 二 三 四 五 六 七 八 九 十 百 千 万 円 時	p.35
20	火	Midterm Exam (L1~3) No Make-Up			

22	木	4	Grammar 1		p.131-132
23	金	4	Grammar 2	Vocab Quiz (L3)	p.36
27	火	4	Grammar 3(Past Tense)		p.37-38
29	木	4	Grammar 4	Dialogue Quiz (p.102-103/The First Date)	p.39-40
30	金	4	Grammar 5.6		p.41-42
11/03	火	4	Grammar 7	*Kanji Quiz (L4) 日本 月 火 水 木 金 土 曜 上 下 中 半	p.43 CD
05	木	4	Review (L4) Reading Practice p301		p.44
06	金	5	Grammar1 (Adjectives)	Lesson Test (L4)	p.133-134
10	火	5	Grammar 2		p.45-46
12	木	5	Grammar 3	Vocab Quiz (L5)	p.47-48
13	金	5	Grammar 4		p.49-50
17	火	5	Grammar 5	Dialogue Quiz (p.128-P.129/A Trip to Okinawa)	p.51. p52 CD
19	木	5	Review (L5) Reading Practice p305	*Kanji Quiz (L5) 山川 元 気 天 秋 今 田 女 男 見 行 食 飲	p.53
20	金	6	Grammar 1(Te-Form)	Lesson Test (L5)	p.135-136 Reading Assignment Due
24	火	6	Grammar 2		p.55-56
*25	水		Grammar 3	Vocab Quiz (L6)	p.57-58
26	木	6	No class (Thanksgiving Recess)		
12/01	火	6	Grammar 4		p.59-60 Essay Assignment Due
03	木	6	Grammar 5.6	Dialogue Quiz (p.146-147/A Day in Robert's Life)	p.61

04	金	6				
08	水	6	Review(L1-6) Practice p316	Reading	*Kanji Quiz (L6) 東西南北口出右左分先生大学外国	
10	木	Oral Examination				p.62CD
22	火	Final Examination (Lesson1~6) 12/22(Tue) 8:00~11:00 pm at Campbell Hall # A2				p.63

