

## Course Syllabus

### Course Title: Japanese I

#### Course Description:

This course introduces you to basic conversational skills with emphasis on the cultural and traditional values and etiquette that are reflected in the language. A part of the writing system is also introduced, which lays the foundation for the future development of reading and writing skills. This class is designed for those who have no Japanese-speaking skills.

#### Suggested Course Prerequisite(s): N/A

#### Materials Needed: Textbook

#### Course Objectives:

1. Acquire basic speaking skills in everyday situation.
2. Learn hiragana characters.
3. Accurate usage of particles (postposition)
4. Good pronunciation and intonation

#### Certification Notes: Not a certificate course

#### Next course recommendation: Japanese II

#### Instructor Notes:

**Textbook(s):** Genki 1 – An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese  
Publisher: The Japan Times ISBN:978-4-7890-1440-3

#### Lesson Plan – by week or session

##### Sessions 1, 2, 3

Japanese writing system and one set of phonetic characters  
Greetings and other useful expressions  
Sentence structure that is equivalent to English be-verbs  
Present and past tenses

##### Sessions 4, 5, 6

Lesson 1 “New Friends”  
Asking for time, phone number, occupation, nationality, etc.  
Small numbers  
Interrogative nouns: who, what, what time

Lesson 2 “Shopping”  
Negative form of the be-verbs  
Large numbers  
Interrogative nouns: how much, whose, where

##### Sessions 7, 8, 9

Lesson 3 “Making a Date”  
Transitive and intransitive verbs  
Two sentence structures that use these verbs  
Relative and specific time expressions

Session 10, 11, 12

Lesson 4 “The First Date”  
Sentence that expresses “there is something in a certain place”  
Sentence that describes the location of the thing in question

**Course Sessions:** listed are a guideline to indicate all topics that will be covered during your course. Do not plan your personal calendar based on these sessions. Your instructor will give you a calendar for your class that will indicate specific topics, assignments, and days.

**Method of Evaluation:** Unless otherwise stated, course completion is evaluated on the basis of attendance. Students must be in attendance 90% of the class time in order to be considered a successful completer of the course.

Students must be in attendance 90% of each course in a certificate series for successful completion and to earn a certificate as specified.

Students must complete all courses (core and no. of elective courses needed) to complete a certificate series within two years from start date of the first course taken.

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