

**Collin College - Continuing Education  
COURSE SYLLABUS**

<b>COURSE INFORMATION</b>
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**Course Number:** FRNL1091

**Course Title:** Japanese Conversation, Beginning

**Number of Sessions:** 12

**Course Description:** This class is designed for those who are planning to visit Japan. Words and phrases that are useful for tourists are learned through repetition without focusing on grammar too much. The Japanese writing system is not introduced. Lessons are taught using romaji (English Alphabet that are pronounced in accordance with the Japanese sound system). Culture will be emphasized.

**Suggested Course Prerequisite(s):** *n/a*

**Course Resources:** *"None"*.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Develop a basic vocabulary to be conversant when visiting Japan for work or pleasure.

**Refund Policy:** Please refer to [www.collin.edu/ce/infoRegistrar.html](http://www.collin.edu/ce/infoRegistrar.html) for our refund policy. No refunds after the start time of the first class.

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** Collin College will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to contact the ACCESS office, SCC-D140 or 972.881.5898 (V/TTD: 972.881.5950) to arrange for appropriate accommodations. See the current *Collin Student Handbook* for additional information.

<b>INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION</b>
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I generally respond to all emails within 2 business days.

**Course Sessions:** Listed are guidelines 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.

**Lesson Plan – by week or session:**

**Session 1:** Pronunciation (Japanese phonics)

Familiarity with Japanese phonics will facilitate better communication with native Japanese speakers.

**Session 2:** Greetings

Knowing commonly used greetings will make your day-to-day encounters with Japanese people more pleasant and smooth.

**Session 3: Traditions and customs**

Learning Japanese traditions and customs including etiquette will make your experience in Japan more enjoyable.

**Session 4: Numbers**

Understanding the Japanese numeral system and being able to state numbers in Japanese will help you shop and pay with confidence.

**Session 5: Transportation**

It is most likely that you use public transportation in Japan, such as a train, high speed train, subway, bus or taxi. There are vocabulary and expressions that you should know to help you get by.

**Session 6: Shopping**

Japan is full of small shops and department stores that sell a great variety and quality of merchandise. Learning useful expressions will make your shopping experience rewarding.

**Session 7: Directions**

Being able to ask for directions and understand directions could be lifesaving.

**Session 8: Lost and Found**

When you have lost something, you need to report it to someone who can help you find it.

**Session 9: Pharmacies and Medical emergency**

If you get sick while traveling in Japan and need to see a doctor or to go to a pharmacy, you should know how to explain your condition.

**Session 10: Restaurants and Japanese food**

How to order food you want to eat in Japan: popular street food or elaborately presented traditional cuisines.

**Method of Evaluation:**

*Face to face courses:* Unless otherwise stated, course completion is evaluated on the basis of attendance. Students must be in attendance 90% of each course in a certificate series for successful completion and to earn a certificate as specified.

*Online courses:* Unless otherwise stated, students must achieve a minimum of 70% final average in order to pass competencies

**Class Protocol:**

Cell phones need to be turned off or programmed to silent during class time - no text messaging during class time

Respect the right of others to learn by listening and contributing to the topic being discussed.

Maintain punctuality and good attendance (see attendance policies)

**Minimum Technology Requirement:**

**CANVAS:**

To check the browsers that Canvas supports.

The basic computer specifications for Canvas

**Minimum Student Skills:** 1. Ability to use word processing programs on a personal computer and Collin College's version the CANVAS learning management system.

2. The student is entirely responsible and accountable for their pace and completion of course requirements.

3. Beyond routine course management, the student is required to initiate any necessary communication(s) with the Instructor.

4. Text files can be submitted as Microsoft Word documents (.doc) or in rich text format

(.rtf).

- Netiquette Expectations:**
1. Standards of courtesy and respect must be maintained at all times in our online "classroom." Join in to the discussion, but remember that this is still a "classroom" setting and that respect and consideration are crucial for any intellectual discussion.
  2. Discussion areas are the place for intelligent and respectful airing of ideas. Name-calling and personal attacks are not permitted.
  3. Any violation of the standards of appropriate behavior online will be reported to the Dean of Students and appropriate disciplinary action will be taken by the college