



Community Education Fall 2023

Japanese for Beginners

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Course Description:

- Explore Japanese language and culture in this beginner class. Taught by a native speaker.
- Introduction to modern spoken Japanese through oral drills and exercises, and the basic grammatical structures. Emphasis on the spoken language, although there will also be exposure to the Japanese writing systems to meet practical needs.

Learning Outcomes: *As a result of taking this course, students will:*

- Successfully perform basic communicative acts in limited daily situations.
- Recognize Japanese written forms Hiragana, Katakana, and basic Kanji forms.
- Have a basic understanding of Japanese cultural norms.

Course Schedule:

Week 1: September 27

Week 2: October 4

Week 3: October 11

Week 4: October 18

Week 5: October 25

Week 5: November 1

Week 6: November 8

Week 7: November 15

Selected Bibliography/Resources:

Below you will find recommended references and online links to give you more information about the topics of this course. If you have a special interest on a topic we discuss, please ask me for further references.

Recommended self-study books

- Japanese Hiragana and Katakana Made Easy: An Easy Step-By-Step Workbook to Learn the Japanese Writing System Lingo Mastery (Author)
- GENKI I: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese (English and Japanese Edition) 2nd edition
- GENKI I: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese Workbook I [Second Edition] (Japanese Edition) (Japanese and English Edition) Paperback – March 17, 2011 English Edition by Eri Banno (Author)

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