SURVIVAL JAPANESE: INTRODUCTION TO THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE 1 credit (Spring)

Survival Japanese: Introduction to the Japanese language 1単位(春学期)

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Course Description/Objectives/Teaching Method/Intended Learning Outcome:

This course is designed for students with no or little knowledge of Japanese. The goal of this course is to develop four basic skills-speaking, listening, reading, and writing-with a focus on situations encountered in daily life. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to carry out basic linguistic tasks such as introducing themselves, ordering food in a restaurant, asking the time, talking about their schedules, and reading hiragana and katakana.

Course Plan:

- 1 Introduction, Unit 1 Nice to meet you
- 2 Unit 2 What is this?
- 3 Unit 3 What time is it?
- 4 Unit 4 Shopping strategies
- 5 Unit 5 I am going to Okinawa
- 6 Unit 6 Using telephone strategies
- 7 Unit 7 Thank you for the meal
- 8 Unit 8 My perfect Sunday
- 9 Unit 9 That's nice!
- 10 Unit 10 How was it?
- 11 Unit 11 Calling in sick
- 12 Unit 12 My hometown
- 13 Speech, Final exam
- Other Final review

Method of Evaluation:

Attendance (15%); Participation (15%); Assignments (20%); Quizzes (20%); Speech (10%); Final Examination (20%)

Textbooks:

『Nihongo Daijobu! きょうから話せる!にほんごだいじょうぶ』(The Japan Times)

Lecturer's Comments to Students:

The number of students in the course is capped at 25. If enrollment exceeds the limit, selection among eligible students will be made by the instructor.

*All the students wishing to register for this course must fill out a statement of interest by 16:00, Monday, April 5th (JST), at this address, https://forms.gle/pQmoNBAkuSZdgCcVA and obtain permission from the instructor. Registration without permission will be deleted.

*Teaching Mode: Synchronous

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