

# Brief Course Summaries of Japanese Language Program

Numbers at the end of each subject names show those levels.

See the chart below as well as the List of Japanese Language Subjects.

(Study Levels 1-4:Elementary, 5-6: Intermediate, 7-8: Advanced, 9: Higher Advanced)

Some subjects may not be offered in some semesters.

Subject Name	Study Goals / Class Content
Grammar 3	These courses aim to facilitate students in mastery of the latter half of elementary grammar. A and B have the same contents.
Grammar 4	
Grammar 5A	These courses aim to facilitate students in mastery of intermediate grammar. Students will learn grammar corresponding to N3 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test.
Grammar 5B	
Grammar 6A	These courses aim to facilitate students in mastery of intermediate grammar. Students will learn grammar corresponding to N2 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test.
Grammar 6B	
Grammar 8A	These courses aim to facilitate students in mastery of advanced grammar. Students will learn grammar corresponding to N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test.
Grammar 8B	
Grammar 9(Classics)	Students will acquire knowledge grammar necessary to read Japanese classics and read mainly Japanese literary style texts from the Meiji period.
Orthography 2	These courses are designed for students to master elementary kanji. Students will acquire the basic knowledge of kanji and will be able to read and write necessary kanji for each level.
Orthography 3	
Orthography 4	
Orthography 5	This course is designed for students to master intermediate kanji. The course is for students who have completed elementary kanji study (approximately 500 kanji). The course aims to aid students in mastery of intermediate kanji (approximately 100 additional kanji) and associated vocabulary.
Orthography 6	This course is designed for students to master intermediate kanji. The course is for students who have completed study of approximately 600 elementary and intermediate kanji. The purpose of the course is to aid students to master intermediate kanji (approximately 150 additional kanji) and associated vocabulary.
Modern Text Reading 3	These courses will enable students to acquire reading comprehension skills for simple elementary sentences. Materials used in class will assist the students in progressively understanding kanji, vocabulary, and grammar. Students will be able to understand reading materials as a coherent paragraph.
Modern Text Reading 4	
Modern Text Reading 5	These courses will enable students to acquire reading comprehension skills for intermediate sentences. Materials used in class will assist the students in progressively understanding vocabulary, phrases, and grammar. Students will be able to express their opinion on the topic presented in reading materials.
Modern Text Reading 6	
Modern Text Reading 8	This course aims at enabling students to improve their reading comprehension skills through the reading of simple essays and editorials. Understanding of grammar and expressions will aid students in comprehending the contents of these materials. Students will discuss some issues related to the contents of reading materials.
Modern Text Reading 9A-1	These courses seek to enable students to acquire high level reading comprehension skills through reading of articles in the specialized area. These courses will use articles with a variety of theme . Students will deepen understanding of Japanese history, culture, and so on. 9A level is the same as 9C's. ※Must register for 2 subjects as a set
Modern Text Reading 9A-2	
Modern Text Reading 9C-1	
Modern Text Reading 9C-2	

Subject Name	Study Goals / Class Content
Newspaper Reading 5	The purpose of these courses is to improve the ability of students to read and understand short and simple newspaper articles. Comprehension of the contents will require understanding of vocabulary, phrases, and grammar. Students are also expected to express their opinion on studied topics. In addition, students will deepen their understanding of Japanese society through the newspaper articles.
Newspaper Reading 6	
Newspaper Reading 8	The purpose of this course is to improve the ability of students to read and understand simple newspaper articles. Comprehension of the contents will require understanding of vocabulary, phrases, and grammar. Students are also expected to hold discussions on studied topics. In addition, students will deepen their understanding of Japanese society through the newspaper articles.
Newspaper Reading 9	The purpose of this course is to enable students to acquire reading comprehension skills for specialized newspaper articles of which understanding requires specialized knowledge. Students will read various articles and editorials and will be able to understand the contents. They will also hold discussions on issues related to the contents. In addition, Students will deepen their understanding of Japanese society through the newspaper articles.
Composition 2	The purpose of these courses is to enable students to master writing skills at an elementary level. Students will write simple paragraphs using elementary kanji, vocabulary, and grammar.
Composition 3	
Composition 4	
Composition 5A	The purpose of these courses is to enable students to master writing skills at an intermediate level. Students will write explanatory prose on specific topics and express their opinion in writing. Corrections and suggestions will be offered by the instructor on each student's work.
Composition 5B	
Composition 6A	
Composition 6B	
Composition 7	The purpose of these courses is to enable students to master writing skills at an advanced level. These courses will aid students to write well-structured compositions on specific topics utilizing appropriate expressions. Corrections and suggestions will be offered by the instructor on each student's work.
Composition 8	
Composition 9	The purpose of the course is to enable students to master writing skills at higher advanced level. Students will learn appropriate writing skills necessary to write academic papers and theses. Corrections and suggestions will be offered by the instructor on each student's work.
Aural Comprehension 5	The aim of these courses is to enable students to understand simple oral communication and obtain necessary information.
Aural Comprehension 6	
Aural Comprehension 7	These courses aim at improving students' listening comprehension skills at an advanced level. Through the contextual understanding of various materials such as news segments, and TV series students will further develop their listening skills. Using such materials will also help students better understand Japanese society and culture.
Aural Comprehension 8	
Aural Comprehension 9A-1	These courses aim at improving students' listening comprehension skills at higher advanced level. Through the contextual understanding of documentaries students will further develop their listening skills. Students will also hold discussions on the contents of the programs, and so doing will deepen their understanding of Japanese society and culture. 9B is the highest level. ※Must register for 2 subjects as a set
Aural Comprehension 9A-2	
Aural Comprehension 9B-1	
Aural Comprehension 9B-2	
Conversation 2	The aim of these courses is to ensure students to master elementary level basic conversation. They will also develop speech techniques using basic vocabulary and grammar.
Conversation 3B	
Conversation 4A	
Conversation 4B	

Subject Name	Study Goals / Class Content
Conversation 5A	These courses are aimed at facilitating students' acquisition of basic oral communication skills at an intermediate level. Students will practice Japanese conversation to ensure their language skills will be appropriate for particular situations and purposes. 5D (pronunciation) will provide students with basic knowledge on Japanese pronunciation, and accents. Students will practice producing utterances in a learned manner.
Conversation 5B	
Conversation 5C	
Conversation 5D(Pronunciation)	
Conversation 6A	
Conversation 6B	
Conversation 6C	These courses aim at enabling students' conversation skills at an advanced level. Students will practice Japanese conversation to ensure they speak appropriately, according to particular situations and needs.
Conversation 7A	
Conversation 7B	
Conversation 8A	
Conversation 8B	
Conversation 8C	These courses aim at enabling students' conversation skills at higher advanced level. Students will practice Japanese conversation to ensure they speak appropriately, according to particular situations and needs. These courses will also aid students to carry out conversations with natural coherence. Further, students will learn various ways of expressions specific to spoken language.
Conversation 9A	
Conversation 9B	The purpose of these courses is to develop students' communication skills of speaking through various activities focused on spoken expressions. ※Must register for 2 subjects as a set
Situational Conversation 2-1	
Situational Conversation 2-2	
Situational Conversation 4A-1	
Situational Conversation 4A-2	
Situational Conversation 4B-1	
Situational Conversation 4B-2	This course is designed to improve students' oral presentation skills at an intermediate level. Students will acquire presentation techniques and be expected to give presentations, and exchange opinion.
Presentation 5	
Presentation 6	
Presentation 8	This course is designed to improve students' presentation skills at an advanced level. Students will acquire presentation techniques, give presentations, and participate in debates on various topics.
Presentation 9	This course is designed to improve students' presentation skills at higher advanced level. Students will learn presentation, debate, discussion leadership techniques. They will also give presentations and engage in discussions on various topics.
Comprehensive Japanese 2 (Grammar1)	These courses will enable students to learn basic Japanese grammar. Students will be able to apply their grammatical knowledge to engage in a simple everyday communication. ※Must register for 5 subjects as a set
Comprehensive Japanese 2 (Grammar2)	
Comprehensive Japanese 2 (Kanji)	
Comprehensive Japanese 2 (Writing)	
Comprehensive Japanese 2 (Speaking)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4A (Grammar1)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4A (Grammar2)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4A (Kanji)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4A (Writing)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4A (Speaking)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4B (Grammar1)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4B (Grammar2)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4B (Kanji)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4B (Writing)	
Comprehensive Japanese 4B (Speaking)	
Comprehensive Japanese 5A-1	
Comprehensive Japanese 5A-2	
Comprehensive Japanese 5A-3	
Comprehensive Japanese 5B-1	
Comprehensive Japanese 5B-2	
Comprehensive Japanese 5B-3	

Subject Name	Study Goals / Class Content
Comprehensive Japanese 6-1	This course is designed for students who have studied some intermediate Japanese. Students will study the latter half of the intermediate level Japanese in a comprehensive manner. This course will also prepare students for the transition to the advanced level. ※Must register for 3 subjects as a set
Comprehensive Japanese 6-2	
Comprehensive Japanese 6-3	
Comprehensive Japanese 8-1	This course is designed for students who have studied some advanced Japanese. Students will study advanced level Japanese in a comprehensive manner. ※Must register for 3 subjects as a set
Comprehensive Japanese 8-2	
Comprehensive Japanese 8-3	
Japanese Social Studies 7A :History of Japanese Literature	This course studies Japanese culture from the linguistic side. Along with appreciating classic literature, it gives an outline of Japanese language styles and regional variations as well as their historical changes.
Japanese Social Studies 7B :Noh Play	This course consists of lectures on Japanese “Noh” play, a type of Japanese traditional performing art. The course will review the relationship between Noh and Japanese political community, theater art, and characteristics of physical expression through visual materials.
Japanese Social Studies 7C :Independent Research	Students who are enrolled in this course need to decide their own research topic, and carry out independent research throughout the semester. Students will be required to write a final report in Japanese with 8,000 characters. Students who wish to register for this course must submit a special application form.
Japanese Cultural Studies 7A :Traditional Culture	This is an omnibus course designed so that students can experience the essence of traditional Japanese culture underlying Japanese emotions, behaviors, aesthetics, and values. Students will learn about traditional Japanese culture through hands-on experience of tea ceremony and traditional musical instruments.
Japanese Cultural Studies 7B :Traditional Japanese Painting	The purpose of this course is for students to acquire fundamental knowledge of and learn about traditional Japanese paintings. Students will produce a Japanese painting.
Japanese Cultural Studies 7C :Japanese Animation and TV Game	The instructors who are producing Japanese Animation and TV games will introduce : - Japanese animation and TV games as popular modern culture, and - the history of and present situation in the production of these industries.

## List of Japanese Language Subjects

### 【Subjects offered at Mita Campus】

Level	Comprehensive Subjects	Subjects with a Specific Focus								
1	Comprehensive Japanese2							Conversation1	Situational Conversation2	
2			Orthography2			Composition2		Conversation2		
3	Comprehensive Japanese4A/4B	Grammar3	Orthography3	Modern Text Reading3		Composition3		Conversation3B	Situational Conversation 4A/4B	
4		Grammar4	Orthography4	Modern Text Reading4		Composition4		Conversation 4A/4B		
5	Comprehensive Japanese5A/5B	Grammar5A/5B	Orthography5	Modern Text Reading5	Newspaper Reading5	Composition5A/5B	Aural Comprehension5	Conversation 5A/5B/5C/5D		Presentation5
6	Comprehensive Japanese6	Grammar6A/6B	Orthography6	Modern Text Reading6	Newspaper Reading6	Composition6A/6B	Aural Comprehension6	Conversation 6A/6B/6C		Presentation6
7	Comprehensive Japanese8	Grammar8A/8B		Modern Text Reading8	Newspaper Reading8	Composition7	Aural Comprehension7	Conversation 7A/7B		Presentation8
8						Composition8	Aural Comprehension8	Conversation 8A/8B/8C		
9		Grammar9(Classics)		Modern Text Reading 9A/9C	Newspaper Reading9	Composition9	Aural Comprehension 9A/9B	Conversation 9A/9B		Presentation9

Must register for 2 courses as a set: Modern Text Reading 9, Aural Comprehension9, Situational Conversation

Must register for 5 subjects as a set: Comprehensive Japanese 2-4B

Must register for 3 subjects as a set: Comprehensive Japanese 5A-8

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Japanese Studies on Society and Culture
Japanese Social Studies 7A: History of Japanese Literature
Japanese Social Studies 7B: Noh Play
Japanese Social Studies 7C: Independent Research
Japanese Cultural Studies 7A: Traditional Culture
Japanese Cultural Studies 7B: Traditional Japanese Painting
Japanese Cultural Studies 7C: Japanese Animation and TV Game