

科目名	春学期 : Japanese Language and Japanese Culture A (Japanese L&C A/日本語・日本文化 A)		
	秋学期 : Japanese Language and Japanese Culture B (Japanese L&C B/日本語・日本文化 B)		
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開講学期	春学期・秋学期	単位数	各 1 単位

Course Objectives

Japanese language ability is not considered to take this class. The purpose of this class is to become more interested in the Japanese language by learning the cultural and historical backgrounds of the Japanese people as well as Japanese words and expressions.

Course Contents

You can learn about the vocabulary, spelling, and idioms of the Japanese language while referring to the cultural and historical context. The class is taught in English and simple Japanese. Though lectures will be given, active participation is required because discussions among the students and surveys will be conducted frequently.

Course Schedule

1. Haiku and Tanka (Sound system of Japanese, connection between sounds and kana)
2. Names and Chinese characters (Use of characters with particular meanings)
3. Japanese cartoons (Echoic words, imitative words, use of various descriptions, vertical writing, and horizontal writing)
4. Japanese cartoons 2 (role words, phases)
5. Image of colors
6. Food and lifestyle (Numeratives, cooking terms)
7. Ceremonial occasions (Cliches)
8. Japaneseness/Way of thinking/Habits

—”*Yappari are yone. Kono fuku no hou ga iiwayone.*” What is “are”?

—Is it polite to use passive or causative sentences?

9. History of Japanese (Card, carte, carta etc)
10. Trends of names of Japanese people.

Some topics are chosen from the topics above in each semester and you learn them in a class that includes lectures, discussions, and sometimes surveys.

Evaluation

Attendance & class participation 30%, Homework & presentation 40%, Final paper 30%.

Textbooks

Printed Teaching Materials.

Readings

Nothing assigned.

Preparation for Class and Others (e.g.HP)

Instructions will be given in class.