

JAPN 2120. Japanese IV

Course Description

This course is designed for students who have completed 15 credit hours or the equivalent of Japanese study. This course continues to expand vocabulary, grammar and 271 Kanji to deal with not-complicated daily situation with ease. Also students acquire a competence for Japanese pragmatic usage. This course follows ACTFL language guidelines, integrating the five C's: communication, cultures, connections, comparisons and communities, to offer the student a well-rounded classroom experience. Students will attain ACTFL intermediate-mid level in four skills.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Participate with ease and confidence in conversations on familiar topics, such as relationships, part-time job, shopping with a variety of request, meeting socially superiors.
2. Usually describe people, places, and things, and talk about events and experiences in various time frames.
3. Handle social interactions in everyday situations, sometimes even when there is an unexpected complication.
4. Write about topics related to school, work, and community in a generally organized way in Japanese characters.
5. Write some simple paragraphs in Japanese characters about events and experiences in various time frames.
6. Easily understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies.
7. Usually understand a few details of what they overhear in conversations, even when something unexpected is expressed.
8. Sometimes follow what they hear about events and experiences in various time frames.
9. Understand the main idea of texts in Japanese characters with topics related to everyday life, personal interests, and studies, as well as sometimes follow stories and descriptions about events and experiences in various time frames.
10. Describe and make comparisons between cultures about beliefs, behaviors and cultural artifact in Japan.
11. Start using languages in a culturally appropriate way based on the understanding of cultural similarities and differences, including the use of "honorific" and "humble" expression.