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School of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures and Cultures

JPNS 310.02

Topics in Japanese Language in an Immersion Setting I – Immersion Learning I

Spring 2023

Lectures: May 7 – May 21

M/T/W/R/F: 9:00 – 10:50

Location: Senshu University, Japan

COURSE OUTLINE

INSTRUCTOR'S NAME: Akiko Sharp

OFFICE HOURS: *By appointment*

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DESCRIPTION

Students will take Japanese language lessons from 9:00 to 12:50 every day and joining various cultural related activities in the afternoon and weekends. This course will provide intensive Japanese language learning through a unique and intensive classroom setting in Senshu University, Japan. Senshu University is situated very close to the center of Tokyo, about 20 minutes by train, which gives students opportunities to visits various venues in Tokyo. The campus is adjacent to a large forest park with many natural trails and gardens. Students can visit attractions in Tokyo as well as enjoy the nature nearby. The entire course will provide students real university life experience in Japan.

Prerequisite: JPNS207

Note: This course is offered during Spring/Summer Sessions in Japan. Students must JPNS309.01, 310.02, and 312.02 to participate in this immersion program.

OBJECTIVES

This program provides international opportunities in the curriculum. Students will gain valuable international experiences by attending a Japanese university, living in an international dormitory, and participating in various activities with Japanese students. This course also provides students opportunities to further develop their Japanese language skills and to experience the culture in an immersion setting. This program also aims to develop participants' Japanese language proficiency and cultural competency via practical exercises/activities that foster language acquisition. Students will have opportunities to converse with Japanese students ("class visitors") and give presentations in Japanese in order to improve their working knowledge of the language.

OUTCOMES

Students will improve their proficiency in the Japanese language. They also will acquire a deep knowledge of Japanese culture through firsthand experience. Students will develop cultural sensitivities throughout the entire program.

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to do the following, depending on their placement:

- To be able to discuss topics of interest and express one's opinion using complex sentences (J2 Lower Intermediate level)
- To be able to summarize and express one's ideas and opinions (J3 Intermediate level)
- Understanding how to structure logical writing and speech (J4 Advanced)



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REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS

Required textbook and materials will be distributed in Japan.

Notes: All Course materials except the textbook and the workbook will be posted in D2L. It is the students' responsibility to access all course related materials.

RECOMMENDED COURSE MATERIALS

- A Dictionary of Basic Japanese Grammar by Siichi Makino and Michiko Tsutsui, The Japan Times.
- A Dictionary of Intermediate Japanese Grammar by Siichi Makino and Michiko Tsutsui, The Japan Times.
- Kenkyusha's New Collegiate Japanese-English Dictionary, Kenkyusha.

COURSE NOTES

Important dates:

- Departure: Sunday, May 7 (Arrival on Monday, May 8)
- Class begins in Japan: Thursday, May 10
- Weekly Reflections: Posting is due every Sunday at 11:30pm (Japanese Time), comment to TWO classmates is due every Monday at 11:30pm (Japanese Time)
- Oral Test: Monday, May 29
- End of program: Wednesday, June 7

University Academic Calendar:

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html>

General Course Information:

- Students must bring a laptop computer or a tablet to fully participate in activities in class.
- All course materials are in D2L and students have responsibility to follow the course as indicated in D2L.

Participation

- This course is in-person course and students must attend the lectures and all planned activities in Japan.
- "Participation" here includes regular attendance, active participation during the lecture, and preparation for the coming lectures (including homework and daily practice). These are essential to complete this course successfully since quizzes, tests, assignments, and projects are all aligned to class activities to maximize one's language learning. During the lectures, students are strongly encouraged to make voluntary remarks/responses and actively participate in the pair/group work.

Expectation for writing quality

All course work – assignments, projects and homework must be done by yourself. The works will be assessed on technical accuracy (grammar, spelling, word choice) and content/creativity. Note that online translators or other composition aids are not permitted; their use constitutes a violation of academic honesty. Please read Academic misconduct below.

Policy in case of missed or late assignments

The extension of the deadlines is NOT allowed, unless you have a legitimate reason including a serious accident, illness, and so forth. Each late submission will be subject to a 5% deduction per day. No submission will be accepted if more than 1 week has past and will result in a grade of zero, unless you have a legitimate



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reason including a serious accident, illness, and so forth. Note: If you need to submit after the due date, please email to your instructor to re-open the submission files since all files will be closed on the due date.

Integrity and Conduct

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>

Technology and other requirements to take this course:

- Camera to take photos of your work and record your performance for communication and evaluation purposes.
- Internet connection for class works assignments and projects
- Google Drive to share files – Please inform the instructor if you are not able to access Google in advance.
- APP (See details on D2L)

Technology Requirements

<https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/technology-requirements-for-students/>

To successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, *students taking "in-person" classes are strongly recommended to have the following technology to be able to properly access to D2L, complete quizzes/tests, and work on the projects.*

- A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security and malware updates
- A current and updated web browser
- Webcam/Camera (built-in or external)
- Microphone and speaker (built-in or external), or headset with microphone
- Current antivirus and firewall software enabled
- Stable Internet connection

ASSESSMENT

- Classes at Senshu University 75%
- In-class Writing Test 15%
- Oral Communication Skill Observations 10%

There will be no final exam.

Guideline of Course Work:

- Details of language assessments, including quizzes, tests and final presentation will be provided by class instructors in Japan.

GRADING SCALE

A+: 100-97 A: 96.9-92 A-: 91.9-88 B+: 87.9-82 B: 81.9-77 B-: 76.9-72

C+: 71.9-68 C: 67.9-64 C-: 63.9-60 D+: 59.9-55 D: 54.9-50 F: 49.9-0

INTEGRITY AND CONDUCT

All members of the University community have a responsibility to familiarize themselves with the Statement on Principles of Conduct, and to comply with the University of Calgary Code of Conduct and Non-Academic Misconduct policy and procedures (available at: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>).

Academic misconduct

Academic Misconduct refers to student behaviour which compromises proper assessment of a student's academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism; unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.



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For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit:

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-academic-misconduct-policy>

Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at <https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity>

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND COPYRIGHT LEGISLATION

Course materials created by instructors (including presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor. These materials may not be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the instructor. All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (<https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/acceptable-use-material-protected-copyright-policy>) and requirements of the Copyright Act (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html>) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorised sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY (FOIP) ACT

Graded assignments will be retained by the Department for three months and subsequently sent for confidential shredding. Final examinations will be kept for one calendar year and subsequently sent for confidential shredding. Said material is exclusively available to the student and to the department staff requiring to examine it. Please see <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/access-information-privacy> for complete information on the disclosure of personal records.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The student accommodation policy can be found at:

<https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations> .

Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities:

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-accommodation-policy>

Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfil requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to their Instructor or the Department Head/Dean or to the designated contact person in their Faculty.

FACULTY OF ARTS PROGRAM ADVISING AND STUDENT INFORMATION RESOURCES

Have a question, but not sure where to start?

The Arts Students' Centre is the overall headquarters for undergraduate programs in the Faculty of Arts. The key objective of this office is to connect students with whatever academic assistance they may require.

In addition to housing the Associate Dean (Undergraduate Programs and Student Affairs) and the Associate Dean (Teaching, Learning & Student Engagement), the Arts Students' Centre is the specific home to:

- Program advising
- Co-op Education Program
- Arts and Science Honours Academy
- Student Help Desk

Location: Social Sciences Room 102

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Website: <https://arts.ucalgary.ca/current-students/undergraduate>



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For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Tower.

Contacts for the Students' Union Representative for the Faculty of Arts: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca, arts2@su.ucalgary.ca, arts3@su.ucalgary.ca, arts4@su.ucalgary.ca.

INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Devices such as laptops and tablets are allowed provided that they are used exclusively for instructional purposes and do not cause disruption to the instructor and to fellow students. Cellular telephones, blackberries and other mobile communication tools are not permitted and must be switched off.

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

Links to information that is not course-specific related to student wellness and safety resources can be found on the Office of the Registrar's website: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines>.