



Faculty of Arts
School of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures and Cultures

JPNS 441.01
Advanced Conversational Japanese
Winter 2019

Days: M/W/F
Time: 10:00-10:50
Location: SH 157

COURSE OUTLINE

INSTRUCTOR'S NAME: Yoko Kodama

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DESCRIPTION

This advanced conversational Japanese course develops students' communication and conversation skills intensively through discussion of selected topics using a variety of authentic media and other resources. The course focuses on developing conversational abilities and vocabulary. In addition, because students participate in various activities, they will develop ease with the language's cadence and pronunciation and also will acquire a deeper understanding of the cultural dynamics in spoken Japanese at the advanced level. Groups and/or individual students will make presentations to the class and also lead the class discussions in Japanese on various topics. The class also will expand students' ability to converse and read at different levels of formality in Japanese, while also exposing them to current events and cultural themes in Japan.

OBJECTIVES

1. Students will expand their vocabulary and knowledge of structural patterns of the language.
2. Students will develop the ability to communicate in more complicated situations and social and cultural contexts, through speeches, skits, oral interviews, presenting personal opinions on current events and etc.
3. Students will develop a greater comfort with the spoken language and fluency at advanced level.

Prerequisite: Japanese 331 or consent of the School.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES

[18%] Quizzes

6 Quizzes 18% (3% x 6)

[22%] Oral tests

2 Role-play Tests 12% (6% x 2)
Mini Debate Test 10%

[30%] Presentations

Talk show 8% (Talk 4% + Dictation/ Analysis 4%)
How-to Video 8% (Video 4% + Critique 4%)
Interview Project 14% (Interview 4% + Article 2% + PPT presentation 8%)



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[30%] Class Participation

Attendance 10%
Classroom activities 20%

Final Exam: There is NO final examination.

Important note: Students may be required to complete different requirements if the assessment of their language backgrounds shows that this is appropriate.

GRADING SCALE

A+ 97-100%	A 92-96.9	A- 88-91.9	B+ 82-87.9	B 77-81.9	B- 72-76.9
C+ 68-71.9	C 64-67.9	C- 60-63.9	D+ 55-59.9	D 50-54.9	F 0-49.9

REQUIRED TEXTS

* Please note: The University of Calgary bookstore is organized by AUTHOR LAST NAME.

Kaiwa Ni Chosen! Chukyu Zenki Kara No Nihongo Rorupurei - Tackling Conversation: Lower Intermediate Japanese Role-plays – J. Nakai, F. Kondo, M. Suzuki, E. Ono, T. Aramaki, T. Morii. 3A Corporation.

[Note] Online version of the textbooks are strongly discouraged to use in the class.

RECOMMENDED TEXTS

- A Dictionary of Basic Japanese Grammar by Seiichi Makino and Michio Tsutsui, The Japan Times.
- A Dictionary of Intermediate Japanese Grammar by Seiichi Makino and Michio Tsutsui, The Japan Times.
- A Dictionary of Advanced Japanese Grammar by Seiichi Makino and Michio Tsutsui, The Japan Times.

COURSE NOTES

- Regular on-time attendance is absolutely necessary.
- It is NOT possible to make up any missed assignments, tests, and presentations without proper advance notice and official documents.
- It is NOT possible to make up a missed quiz.
- It is YOUR responsibility to keep up with what you have missed during the class (including homework and assignments) from your own absence.
- It is YOUR responsibility to check the class schedule frequently not to miss any upcoming quizzes, tests, and assignments.
- D2L will be used to distribute information. It is YOUR responsibility to check all course related information on D2L.
- You are required to submit all homework and assignments at the beginning of the class. Late submission will result in deduction or might not be accepted at all. (If you are absent on the day of submission, please submit your homework or assignments electronically in time.)
- Use of cell phones and smart phones is strictly prohibited during class.
- Use of computer for taking notes is not recommended in this course. Use a pen (or pencil) and paper (or notebook)!

[Note] Your University email will be used to correspond in this course.



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ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

1. **Plagiarism** is a serious offence, the penalty for which is an F on the assignment and possibly also an F in the course, academic probation, or requirement to withdraw. Plagiarism exists when:

- a) the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the one submitting or presenting the work (this includes having another impersonate the student or otherwise substituting the work of another for one's own in an examination or test);
- b) parts of the work are taken from another source without reference to the original author;
- c) the whole work (e.g., an essay) is copied from another source, and/or
- d) a student submits or presents work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with that student) without the knowledge of or prior agreement of the instructor involved.

While it is recognized that scholarly work often involves reference to the ideas, data and conclusions of other scholars, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted."

Plagiarism occurs not only when direct quotations are taken from a source without specific acknowledgement but also when original ideas or data from the source are not acknowledged. A bibliography is insufficient to establish which portions of the student's work are taken from external sources; footnotes or other recognized forms of citation must be used for this purpose.

2. **Cheating** at tests or examinations includes but is not limited to dishonest or attempted dishonest conduct such as speaking to other candidates or communicating with them under any circumstances whatsoever; bringing into the examination room any textbook, notebook, memorandum, other written material or mechanical or electronic device not authorized by the examiner; writing an examination or part of it, or consulting any person or materials outside the confines of the examination room without permission to do so, or leaving answer papers exposed to view, or persistent attempts to read other students' examination papers.

3. **Other academic misconduct** includes, but is not limited to, tampering or attempts to tamper with examination scripts, class work, grades and/or class records; failure to abide by directions by an instructor regarding the individuality of work handed in; the acquisition, attempted acquisition, possession, and/or distribution of examination materials or information not authorized by the instructor; the impersonation of another student in an examination or other class assignment; the falsification or fabrication of clinical or laboratory reports; the non-authorized tape recording of lectures.

4. Any student who voluntarily and consciously aids another student in the commission of one of these offences is also guilty of academic misconduct.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

The student accommodation policy can be found at: ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy.

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 ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.

Students needing an Accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the course instructor.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION ASSEMBLY POINTS

Craigie Hall: Professional Faculties food court (alternate: Education Block food court)

Education Block and Tower: Scurfield Hall atrium (alternate: Professional Faculties food court)

Kinesiology: north courtyard, MacEwan Student Centre (alternate: University Theatres lobby)

For the complete list of assembly points please consult <http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints>

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.



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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

Phone: 403-220-3580

Email: ascarts@ucalgary.ca

Website: arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate.

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 Block.

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.

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 <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy> for complete information on the disclosure of personal records.

INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Devices such as laptops, palmtops and smartbooks 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.

SAFEWALK

To request a Safewalk escort anywhere on campus, 24 hours a day and seven days a week, please call 403-220-5333 or use one of the Help Phones.

Web: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk>

STUDENT UNION INFORMATION

Representatives and contact details: <http://www.su.ucalgary.ca/home/contact.html>

Student Ombudsman: <http://www.su.ucalgary.ca/services/student-services/student-rights.html>

WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

Writing skills should cross all disciplines. Students are expected to do a substantial amount of writing in their courses and, where appropriate, instructors can and should use writing and the grading thereof as a factor in the evaluation of student work. The services provided by the Writing Centre in the Effective Writing Office (<http://www.efwr.ucalgary.ca/>) can be utilized by all undergraduate and graduate students who feel they require further assistance.