

# Course Syllabus

2021–2022 Winter Online Japanese Course

## ① Course Outline

The purpose of this course is to establish a foundation for practical oral Japanese language skills by reviewing structures and vocabulary learned at the beginner level and using them in a variety of contexts. Emphasis will also be placed on establishing the foundation of practical Japanese writing skills by learning the various structures and grammar necessary for logical explanation. At the end of the course, students are required to make a final presentation based on what they have learned. The class also provides time to discuss and interact with Osaka University students on various topics.

## ② Learning goals

This course is designed for post-elementary students to acquire basic practical language skills, both spoken and written further building on the knowledge of Japanese they have acquired in elementary courses. The specific objectives of this course are:

- (1) to expand ability for daily communication on topics mostly related to self and immediate environment in both spoken and written Japanese
- (2) to become fluent in using the language structures, vocabulary and phrases both of spoken and written Japanese commonly used in daily conversations and informal discussions
- (3) to be able to talk and understand on a variety of subjects within his/her field of interest with some assistance from the interlocutor
- (4) to be able to comprehend and write texts constructed with new combinations of learned structures, using hiragana and katakana.

## ③ Class Plan

Topics that will be discussed in the course are;

- one's relations with Japan
- one's childhood
- education system
- employment system in Japan
- living in Japan as an individual coming from abroad

※ Please see the “NIJ: A New Approach to Intermediate Japanese” for detailed section content.

④ Grading

- Class attendance, participation and performance 25%
- Submission and performance of the Essays 20%
- Show & Tell 10%
- Submission of the Work Sheets 15%
- Final written exam 20%
- Final oral presentation 10%

※ The formula is subject to change.