

I. WELCOME!:

Welcome to the study of Japanese. Whether you plan to fulfill the basic language sequence (Japanese 1120, 1121, 2200), or to enroll in the Japanese Minor, we hope you will continue to enjoy your study of this unique language and culture. Japanese 1120 requires your real commitment in regular preparation and participation. If the policies below seem very detailed and stringent, it is because our experience, as instructors, has convinced us of the need for frequent homework, a variety of quizzes, other assignments, and keeping up to date, if we are going to successfully learn Japanese. We wish you the best of success and are available, both in class and in office hours, to help you make progress in your study of Japanese.

II. INSTRUCTORS:

Name	Office (Office Phone#)	E-mail	Office Hours
Yoshihiro Yasuhara	358 Diffenbaugh (644-8603)	yyasuhar@fsu.edu	10:10-11:10 MTW and by appointment
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III. CLASS MEETING:

Section	Days & Time	Classroom	Instructors
01	MTWRF 9:05-9:55	214 Diffenbaugh	Yasuhara
02	MTWRF 10:10-11:00	214 Diffenbaugh	Tamaki

IV. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course, covering Lesson 1 to 6, introduces the fundamentals of the elementary level Japanese language and aims to develop the functional ability to communicate in Japanese beyond the survival level. Along with the new grammar patterns, each chapter includes approximately sixty essential vocabulary items for the achievement of higher overall communicative fluency in Japanese. Throughout this course fifty-eight kanji will be introduced. By the end of this session, you will be able to express self-introduction, invitation, degree expressions, opinions, suggesting a plan of action, polite request, asking for permission, offering assistance, along with other functional expressions.

V. TEXTBOOK:

- Banno, Eri, et al. 1999. *Genki: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese I*. Tokyo: The Japan Times.

VI. REQUIRMENTS:

1. Class attendance: Coming to class regularly and on time is absolutely essential. Final grade will be reduced by 1% for each “unexcused” absence in excess of three. In addition, three instances of tardiness will count as one absence. An excused absence must be corroborated by written proof such as treating physician’s note (NOT an appointment slip). It is your responsibility to let your instructor know in advance when you need to miss class and cover any material missed during the absence.

2. Full participation and attention: This is a communication-/activity-oriented language course. Do not be intimidated and force yourself to communicate in Japanese as often as possible.

3. Daily preparation and homework: If you are serious about learning the language, to say nothing of doing well for the course, you need to spend at least two hours daily in reviewing and doing homework. It is student’s responsibility to check with the upcoming assignments and due dates. Other homework assignments or adjustments or changes may be announced in class.

4. You must listen to the audio tapes as you learn new words and the dialogues. The tapes are available in Room 104, the Language Laboratory, in Diffenbaugh.

5. Final examination: Tuesday, December 9, 12:30-2:30. Room TBA

NOTE 1: There will be no make-up quizzes or exams. Nor will late assignments be accepted. For vocabulary quizzes, which will be given twice per lesson, the two lowest scores on these quizzes will be automatically dropped for each student.

NOTE 2: All quizzes or exams are cumulative. For example, a quiz or test on Chapter 3 assumes retention and knowledge of what you have learned in all previous chapters as well as whatever may have been introduced in class.

VII. Japanese Classroom Etiquette:

No food or drink will be allowed. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

VIII. Grading Policy:

1. Attendance (13) and Participation (5)	18%
2. Homework	10%
3. Vocabulary and Kanji quizzes	15%
4. Chapter Tests	18%
5. Oral Tests	12%
6. Skits and Culture Presentation	12%
7. Final Examination	15%

IX. Grading Scale:

100-93	A	92-90	A-	89-87	B+	86-83	B
82-80	B-	79-77	C+	76-73	C	72-70	C-
69-67	D+	66-63	D	62-60	D-	59-0	F

X. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

Any student caught in a violation of academic honesty will receive a grade of F on the assignment/exam, etc. Students are expected to be familiar with and comply with the Academic Honor Code at all times (refer to *Student Handbook* for details).

XI. MINOR IN JAPANESE:

Japanese minor is offered at Florida State. For further information and for study abroad program, contact Yoshihiro Yasuhara at yyasuhar@fsu.edu.

XII. The University Access Statement:

The Florida State University encourages qualified students with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any kind of accommodations in this course or have any questions about physical access, please tell the instructor as soon as possible.