



## JA108 Elementary Japanese

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<b>Term</b>	December 13, 2021 - January 7, 2022	<b>Credits</b>	4 units
<b>Class Hours</b>	Monday through Friday, 120 mins per teaching day		
<b>Discussion Sessions</b>	2.5 hours each week, conducted by teaching assistant(s)		
<b>Total Contact Hours</b>	66 contact hours (1 contact hour = 45 mins, 3000 mins in total)		
<b>Required Texts (with ISBN)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Marugoto: Japanese language and culture Starter A1 Coursebook for communicative language competences / まるごと 日本のことばと文化 入門 A1 りかい (JF Standard coursebook )独立行政法人国際交流基金(著) <b>ISBN 978-4384057539</b></li> <li>- IRODORI: Japanese for Life in Japan A1/生活の日本語(JF Standard coursebook )独立行政法人国際交流基金(著) 入門  いろどり 生活の日本語</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Online free access: <a href="http://jpf.go.jp">jpf.go.jp</a></b></p>		
<b>Prerequisite</b>	Open to all students with interest in learning Japanese. No previous training is required.		



## Course Overview

This is an introductory course in modern spoken and written Japanese, designed for beginners to develop fundamental skills in areas of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Students will study language and culture together and complete the elementary level study of Japanese in the 15 lessons.

The course helps students to develop both communicative and cultural competency through comprehensive contextualized instructions. On the communication level, students will be able to handle elementary daily conversations taking place in different scenarios, such as giving self-introduction, ordering food in restaurant and having conversations with shop assistant. On the cultural level, students will be exposed go key cultural topics such as Japanese traditional annual event, seasonal landscape, Japanese food and Japanese traditions such as tea ceremony.

All the contextual learning will consist of four key learning dimensions, including: conversation, grammar, reading and writing. The course will introduce the basic grammar and the sentence structure as well as the model conversations taking place in different scenarios. Student will master related knowledge through individual assignment or group projects. Meanwhile, the course will also systematically introduce the Japanese writing system, including Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji and assign several reading assignments to build-up students' reading and writing abilities. Reading assignments and short paragraph writing assignment should help students to foster their comprehension and writing ability on related course topics.

## Course Goals

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- ✓ Read, write, and type Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji.
- ✓ Understand the basic grammar and sentence patterns.
- ✓ Greet in different time and situation.
- ✓ Introduce yourself, family members and friends.
- ✓ Make a daily schedule, talk about your plans and arrangements.
- ✓ Shop at market and dine in a restaurant.
- ✓ Express your feelings, gratitude, and apologies.
- ✓ Write simple memos and e-mails.
- ✓ Read and understand simple essays and stories with the dictionaries.

## Exams

- Final Exam (50%): 2 hours' Written Test



## Grading Policy

The final grade will be calculated as follows:

Assessment	Final Grade
Attendance and Class Participation	15%
Assignment	60%
Quiz	5%
Midterm exam	10%
Final Examination	10%

## Grading Scale

The following definitions will be used as a guide for the assignment of grades:

Number grade	Letter grade	GPA
90-100	A	4.0
85-89	A-	3.7
80-84	B+	3.3
75-79	B	3.0
70-74	B-	2.7
67-69	C+	2.3
65-66	C	2.0
62-64	C-	1.7
60-61	D	1.0
≤59	F (Failure)	0



## Class Schedule

Date	Lecture	Reading/Assignments/ Examination
Day 1	<b>Course Overview Japanese Syllabary1 Hiragana and Katakana</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P21-34/ Assignment1 Hiragana and Katakana
Day 2	<b>Japanese Syllabary2 Type in Japanese with IME</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P42-43/ Quiz Hiragana and Katakana
Day 3	<b>Japanese Grammar Category Daily Greetings</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P44-53/ Group Assignment 1 Daily greeting video
Day 4	<b>Sentence Patterns Self-introduction</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P81-97/ Assignment 2 Self-introduction Video
Day 5	<b>Noun Sentences Seasons' Greetings</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P35-50/ Group Assignment 2 Seasons' greetings Video
Day 6	<b>Noun Sentences My Family and Friends</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P205/ Assignment 3 Introduce my family / best friend with a photo
Day 7	<b>Verb Sentences and Case Particle My Daily Life</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P83-98 IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P232-236 P240-256/ Assignment 4 Video on my typical day
Day 8	<b>Verb Sentences and Case Particle Our Weekend's Plan</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P101-116 IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P257-259 P293-297/ Group Assignment 3 Present a group weekend's plan in Shanghai
Day 9	<b>Adjective sentences Sense and feelings</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P206-208/ Group Assignment 4 Present a seasonal landscape of Japan
Day 10	<b>Adjective sentences Climate and weather</b>	Midterm exam



Day 11	<b>Scenario Learning Shop at Market</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P 288-292/ Assignment 5 Compositions with photo My favorite shop in shanghai and the shopping last week
Day 12	<b>Scenario Learning Dine in a Restaurant</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P398-413,417-451/ Assignment 6 Write an email inviting your friend(s) to a dinner
Day 13	<b>Scenario Learning Shop at a Department Store</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P178-181,319-326/ Assignment 7 Compositions with photo My weekend shopping at a Department Store
Day 14	<b>Scenario Learning Visit a university</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P332-335,393-394/ Assignment 8 Compositions with photo A Visit to a university
Day 15	<b>Scenario Learning Go to the Cinema</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P134-141/ Assignment 9 Compositions with photo My favorite film
Day 16	<b>Scenario Learning Visit a university</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P142-148/ Assignment 10 Compositions with photo A Visit to a university
Day 17	<b>Plan a trip to Japan 1</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P351-357,363-368 Group Assignment 5 Present a historic site of Japan
Day 18	<b>Plan a trip to Japan 2</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P499-504/ Group Assignment 6 Present my travelling plan for a visit to Japan
Day 19	<b>Course review Q &amp; A</b>	/
Day 20	<b>Final exam</b>	/