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The third-semester Japanese course will introduce more basic structural patterns of the Japanese language and the kanji characters and help student develop all four skill areas of the language. However, increasing emphasis will be placed on developing reading and writing skills. Classes are mainly conducted in Japanese to stress training in comprehension (both reading and aural). Students entering third-semester Japanese are expected to have mastered the grammatical patterns and the Kanji characters introduced in Genki 1.

Course Objectives

- 1. Students will continue to learn the basic structures of Japanese and be encouraged to utilize them in appropriate situations.
- 2. Students will learn approximately 80 new kanji.
- 3. Students will be able to talk about their abilities, make polite requests, apologize, talk about hopes, wishes and regrets, report what they hear, etc.
- 4. Students will learn to talk about giving and receiving of items and favors.
- 5. Students will learn to use more complex sentences using time and conditional clauses and relative clauses.
- 6. Students will be able to write short essays and letters on the similar topics.
- 7. Students will also learn aspects of Japanese culture that relate to the lesson topics.

Textbooks

An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese: Genki II. Lesson 13-18

An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese: Genki II Workbook. Lesson 13-18

Audio Material

The audio files accompanying the textbook will be available on the following website: http://www.lrc.uwm.edu/audio/japanese/ (User name: japanese; Password: nihongo) They include dialogues, some of the drills in the "Practice" sections of the textbook and the listening comprehension exercises. Students are expected to do the drills on their own. Time spent now on careful practice will surely bring future benefits beyond the classroom work.

D2L

You will find the syllabus, course schedule, more detailed schedules, supplementary materials, useful links, etc on D2L. You will not receive printed version of these materials any more and so you need to use them online or download and print them out yourself.

We will also use the D2L to make announcements. Be sure to check the announcement area of D2L regularly.

Wiki (PB Works) http://uwmjapanese20010.pbworks.com/FrontPage

PB Works is a collaborative website on which you can post and edit texts, digitized photos, videos, etc. This on-line communication tool allows you to share what you write, spend time to reflect on your own writing, get to know your classmates by looking at what they have posted and help one another by asking and answering questions on their writings.

We will ask you to complete writing assignments using this tool. You will be using the same account you used in the first year Japanese courses. A new workplace will be added to your account. We will e-mail you an invitation to participate in "uwmjapanese20010.pbworks.com" wiki community during the first few days. Make sure to check your e-mail. When you receive it, please follow the instructions and either sign-in or create your account. You need to log in to be able to write in or edit. Once you log in, please follow the instructions on the front page and complete the assignments. The link to the wiki site is also on D2L. Please make sure you will familiarize yourself with the tool beforehand.

Other Online Tools you may be using this semester

- eyejot: to create and send videos messages you need an access to a webcom and microphone. They are available in the computer labs in the basement of Curtin Hall and in the library.
- Glogster: to create a poster for the final oral presentation
- Doodle: you may be asked to participate in polling.
- webswami: for listening, oral and reading tests

I will give you more detailed instructions on the projects/tests using with the tools later.

Online Materials

There are some useful resources available online for practice and review kanji, vocabulary, etc.

- Genki Online : http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/index.en.html (Go to "Self-Study Room")
- smart.fm: http://smart.fm/ (search '"genki")

Some of the materials are also linked from the content area of D2L.

E-mail

Many important announcements about this course, about the study of Japanese in general, and about Japanese culture, will be sent via e-mail. In such cases, e-mails will be sent to your UWM address. Remember to check your e-mail on a daily basis for important information and reminders. Not having checked your e-mail and missing information about review sessions, changes and additions to homework, and further opportunities to practice Japanese, will not be an acceptable excuse. Most, if not all, campus computer labs provide the ability to check email.

Grading

Grading Scale:			
90% & over = A	79% - 78% = B-	67% - 66%	% = D+
89% - 88% = <i>A</i> -	77% - 76% = <i>C</i> +	65% - 60%	% = D
87% - 86% = B+	75% - 70% = <i>C</i>	59% - 58% = D-	
85% - 80% = B	69% - 68% = <i>C</i> -	Below 58% = F	
Final course grades will b	e based on the results of:		
Daily Class Participat		20%	
Class Participation		10%	
Mini Quizzes		10%	
Homework Assignmen		25%	
Work Book Exercis	10%		
Reading & Listening	5%		
Wiki Assignments	5%		
Reading Log		5%	
Lesson Tests		20%	
Midterm Exam			15%
Final Exam			15%
Final Oral Presentation			5%

Attendance and participation:

Since foreign language learning needs your constant attention, attendance and active participation in this class is crucial to your success. We do understand, however, that there might be times when you may have to be absent; therefore, we have developed the following policy;

- up to 3 absences are allowed
- After the third absence, each absence, no matter what the reason is, will affect your final grade
- A student with 14 absences or more will automatically get an F for the course.

Merely attending class won't guarantee full points (4 points). You will need to be fully prepared and participate actively in class in order to earn all points. Here is the guideline for participation points:

 4 points - You were engaged and attentive throughout the class period and responded to questions and actively participated in class activities and discussions

- 3.5 points You participated in class activities and discussions a lot of times and were able to respond to many questions.
- 3 points You participated in class activities and discussions sometimes and were able to respond to some questions.
- 2 points You didn't participate in class activities and discussions very much, and weren't able to respond to many questions.
- 1 point You rarely participated in class activities and discussions and were rarely able to respond to questions.

In addition, you will be penalized for being tardy. You will lose 4 points for every three unexcused tardy.

Mini quizzes:

There will be one kanji and two vocabulary quizzes per lesson. These quizzes will be given at the beginning of the class. See Daily Schedule for the dates and the contents.

Assignments:

1) Workbook (WB) Exercises-Grammar and Kanji:

There will be daily HW from the workbook. You can find homework for each day on the detailed schedule. You should do the homework on the day it is assigned so that it will help you review what you did in class. All assignments are due on the next day unless stated otherwise. Please turn them in BEFORE class starts. Late assignments will be penalized accordingly;

- one day late Grace period
- two days late 1 point deducted
- three days late—2 points deducted
- four days late—3 points deducted
- five days late -4 points deducted
- six days or more late——5 points deducted

Quality of your work matters, too. Higher quality assignments will be awarded the full 5 points. Poorer quality assignments will be graded accordingly. (1-5 point scale).

After having your homework checked, always make sure your understanding was correct and make corrections when marked wrong.

2) Reading Comprehension & Listening Comprehension – available on D2L in Quizzes
At the end of each lesson you need to complete these assignments. They need to be
done online. You are to answer the questions based on the reading materials in the
textbook or audio materials available at http://www.lrc.uwm.edu/audio/japanese/. No
late assignments will be accepted for these assignments. The quizzes will be closed on
the deadline. Make sure to check the deadline carefully.

3) Wiki Assignments:

There are 3 wiki assignments. See the PB Works site for the details.

4) Reading Log:

Every few weeks we will have in-class reading time. I will bring a variety of books to class. You will pick one or two to read for 10 minutes or so and keep a reading log.

Lesson tests:

After each lesson (except before the exams) you will have a chapter test. You will be tested on vocabulary, grammar and kanji from each lesson. You will also be asked to complete online tasks on reading, listening and speaking.

Exams (Midterm & Final):

There will be two comprehensive exams during the semester.

Written tests: you will be tested on listening comprehension, vocabulary, grammar, kanji and reading comprehension.

Oral test: you will be asked to answer questions about you and your family, using the words and patterns you have learned up to the point. You may also be asked to do some role-playings.

Reading test: you will be asked to read a paragraph from the reading materials we covered up to the point.

Oral Presentation:

You will prepare a speech on a given topic and present it to class during the final exam week.

No make-up quizzes, tests and exams will be given without prior arrangement. If you cannot come to class or will be late for class to take quizzes and tests, you need to notify us in advance, or, within a reasonable time in the case of an emergency. E-mail is the best way to reach us in this case, but you can also try calling us. If you cannot reach us on our phone, you must leave a message either at our office or at the FLL main office (229-4312).

Do's and Don'ts:

- Don't be afraid to make mistakes: they are a sign that you are learning and improving
 and, more importantly, they are expected by your instructors; expect to be corrected
 by your instructors but remember not to take it personally since it is a way to aid in
 your correct production of Japanese; your positive attitude is key to your success in
 this class and it will make language learning a fun experience.
- Don't use English in the drill sessions; questions which need to be asked in English should be reserved for the lecture time or asked during office hours. The drill time is one of the few opportunities for you and your classmates to speak and hear Japanese. If you must ask us questions in English, please raise your hand and ask for permission to speak in English.
- Don't text in class. Also, remember to turn off your cell phone.
- Feel free to get in touch with us anytime with any questions or concerns you have.

Others

✓ This course counts towards the Minor in Japanese / Asian Study Certificate as well
as towards the Linguistics Major/Minor with Japanese concentration. For details,
please visit:

http://www.uwm.edu/ugbulletin/SC/D_LS_asc.html http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/FLL/linguistics.html

✓ If you haven't taken a Japanese class at UWM nor taken a placement test, please talk to Suga sensee (229-5650; sugaatsu@uwm.edu) as soon as possible to make sure this course is the right course for you. To be eligible for Retro-Credits, you must earn a final grade of B or above in this course.

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