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| <p>Spring 2011 Japan 202 Sec. 001~003: (4th Semester Japanese)</p> <p>Days & Time: Monday - Friday Sec.001: 11:00-11:50 AM Room: CRT #203</p> <p>Sec.002: 1:00-1:50 Room: CRT #B13</p> <p>Sec.003: 2:00-2:50 Room: CRT #B13</p> | <p>Instructors Masako Lackey (ラッキー先生) : Sueyon Seo (ソー先生) Shinji Takahashi (たかはし先生)</p> <p>Office Lackey (CRT Rm. # 824) Hours: 月 12:00-12:50 & 水 2:00 - 2:50 Seo (CRT Rm. # 872) 木 12:00 - 12:50 Takahashi (CRT Rm # 872) 月 1:00-1:50 or by appointment</p> <p>Contact: lackey@uwm.edu Tel. 229-6875 sseo@uwm.edu Tel. 229-6669 takahash@uwm.edu Tel. 229-6669</p> |
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Objectives for the Course:

By completion of this course, students will:

- Acquire four basic skills - speaking, listening, reading and writing - in Japanese.
- Be able to read and write approximately 75 new kanji (total of 317 kanji)
- Be able to talk in polite situations using "Honorific" , "Modest" and "Humble" expressions
- Be able to express gratitude and expectations, ask and tell directions, return or exchange items at a store, talk about adversities and memories, express opinions, etc.
- Be able to read and write short essays and letters on the similar topics.
- Understand and appreciate aspects of the socio-cultural practices related to the lesson topics

Required Course Materials

An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese: Genki II. Lesson 19-23

An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese: Genki II Workbook. Lesson 19-23

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, etc on D2L. You need to download syllabus and schedules from the D2L. You will also do some of your homework on D2L. In addition, I will use the D2L to make announcements. Be sure to check the announcement area of D2L regularly.

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.

Facebook

We are on Facebook. You can find out about our program at UWM as well as on-campus and area events connected to Japan and Japanese. Search for "University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Japanese Program" and join us.

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.

You will complete writing assignments using this tool. You will be using the same workplace you used in Japanese 201. If you didn't take Japanese 201 last semester, 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 Useful On-line Material

There are some useful resources available online for your writing or other practice:

- **Genki Online** : <http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/index.en.html> (Go to "Self-Study Room")
- **smart.fm** : <http://smart.fm/> (search "genki")
- **Kanji Alive** : <http://kanjialive.uchicago.edu/web/> (Choose "genki" and type in Lesson #)
- **Prapera-kun**: <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/3343/> (Firefox Add-on that helps you read Japanese online materials)

There links are also available on D2L "Link".

Grades

Your final grade will be determined as follows:

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| Daily Class Participation | 20% |
| Class Participation | 10% |
| Mini Quizzes (15) | 10% |
| Homework Assignments | 25% |
| Work Book Exercises - Grammar & Kanji (40) | 10% |
| Reading & Listening Comprehension (D2L Quiz) (15) | 5% |
| Reading Log (4) | 5% |
| PB Works Assignments (2) | 5% |
| Lesson Tests (Written/Reading) (3) | 15% |
| Midterm Exam (Written/Oral) | 15% |
| Final Exam (Written/Oral) | 15% |
| Final Oral Presentation | 10% |

Final Grading Scale

The following fixed grading scale will be used to assign final grades for the course:

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| 90% & over = A | 79% - 78% = B- | 67% - 66% = D+ |
| 89% - 88% = A- | 77% - 76% = C+ | 65% - 60% = D |
| 87% - 86% = B+ | 75% - 70% = C | 59% - 58% = D- |
| 85% - 80% = B | 69% - 68% = C- | Below 58% = F |

Attendance and participation

Since foreign language learning needs your constant attention, attendance and active participation in this class is crucial to your success. Attendance and class performance will, therefore, comprise 20 % of your final grade. 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 F for the course.

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

Merely attending class won't guarantee full points. You will need to be fully prepared and participate actively in class in order to earn all points.

Mini Quizzes

Kanji & Vocabulary Quizzes: There will be two vocabulary and one kanji quizzes in each lesson. These mini quizzes are for you to be ready to participate in class activities, so they are typically scheduled for the first few days of each lesson. They also count toward your participation points. Two lowest scored tests will be dropped. See the Daily Schedule for details.

Homework 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 the second page is assigned unless stated otherwise. Please turn them in BEFORE class starts. Late assignments will be penalized accordingly;

- one day late - Grace period
- two or more days late - 1 point deducted
- after the lesson test - 2points 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). You **need to use Kanji** you have learned. When you don't, you will be asked to do it over for full credit. Three lowest scored workbook assignments will be dropped.

2) Reading and Listening Comprehension assignments:

You will take "Quizzes" on D2L. You read the reading materials in the textbook or listen to the sound files and answer the questions in D2L "Quizzes" section. You can take the quizzes more than once and your highest score will be recorded. However, they are only available **for limited time** and you won't get any points if you miss the deadline. Make sure to check the deadlines. Two lowest scored reading or listening assignments will be dropped.

3) PBWork Writing Assignments:

There will be three writing assignments during the semester. **Two best ones will count toward your final grade.**

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.



Assignments 2) ~ 4) are worth 5% each of your final grade. Missing these assignments will greatly affect your final grade.

Lesson Tests

At the end of each lesson there will be a written test.

- **Written tests:** You will be tested on vocabulary, grammar, reading comprehension and kanji from each lesson. You will have a chance to correct your errors to gain $\frac{1}{2}$ points.
- **Reading Tests :** you will be asked to read a paragraph from the reading material.

Midterm Exam & Final Exam

There will be two comprehensive written exams and oral tests during the semester. You won't have a change to make corrections on exams.

- **Written exam:** You will be tested on vocabulary, grammar, kanji , reading comprehension and writing skills.
- **Oral test:** You will be asked to do a role-play and answer some questions about you or your family.

Oral Presentation

You will be asked to present a speech at the end of the semester.

Make-up quizzes, tests and exams will be given only to the students who **notify the instructor in advance** or in the case of an emergency, within a reasonable time period. 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 a phone, you can leave a message either at our office or at the FLL main office (229-4312). **YOU need to make an arrangement to take a make-up** with your instructor as soon as possible.

Classroom Rules

- 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.
- **Texting**, eating, gum chewing, and wearing hats of any kind are not allowed in the classroom. Please turn off your phone.
- If you have to miss a class due to illness or for emergency reasons, please call or e-mail your instructor ahead of time; making up missed quizzes and exams are **your** responsibility.
- All assignments should be turned in BEFORE class starts. This is also **your** responsibility. We may not ask you to turn them in, but it doesn't mean that you don't have to.
- DO NOT use English in the drill sessions; questions which need to be asked in English should be reserved for the lecture time or asked after class or during office hours. If you must ask a question in a drill session, please raise your hand and ask for permission to speak in English.
- Please be prepared for each class by familiarizing yourself with the new vocabulary and grammar prior to class.
- Feel free to contact your instructor if you feel you are not comfortable with the way classroom activities are being handled.

Others

- ✓ This course counts towards the **Asian Study Certificate** as well as towards the **Linguistics Major/Minor with Japanese concentration**. For details, please visit:
http://www.uwm.edu/uqbulletin/SC/D_LS_asc.html
<http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/FLL/linguistics.html>
- ✓ **This course counts towards the Minor in Japanese.** For details, please contact Suga-sensei (sugaatsu@uwm.edu).
- ✓ If you haven't taken a Japanese class at UWM nor taken a placement test, please talk to Suga sensei 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.
- ✓ If you are planning to **study abroad** in Japan next academic year, please talk to Rachel McGraw (rmcgraw@uwm.edu), Study Abroad Coordinator in Overseas Programs and Partnerships immediately due to early deadlines. If you require letters of recommendation and language evaluations, we ask you to give us one-month notice (by February 1), or they cannot be guaranteed.

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