

JAPANESE

JPN

**Department of Linguistics
and Germanic, Slavic,
Asian and African
Languages**

College of Arts and Letters

100 Language and Culture in Japan Level 1
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 10 credits. Fall:
Abroad. Spring: Abroad. Summer: Abroad. A
student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in
all enrollments for this course.

Intensive Japanese language and culture in Japan.

101 Elementary Japanese I
Fall. 5(5-0) Not open to students with credit
in JPN 100.

Beginning-level speaking, listening comprehension,
reading, writing, and grammar. Introduction to Hira-
gana and Katakana writing systems and some Kanji.
Aspects of culture. Emphasis on accurate communi-
cation.

102 Elementary Japanese II
Spring. 5(5-0) P: JPN 101 Not open to stu-
dents with credit in JPN 100.

Further work on beginning-level speaking, listening
comprehension, reading, writing, and grammar. Con-
tinued emphasis on accurate communication. Addi-
tional Kanji and aspects of culture.

200 Language and Culture in Japan Level 2
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 10 credits. Fall:
Abroad. Spring: Abroad. Summer: Abroad. A
student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in
all enrollments for this course. P: JPN 100 or
JPN 102

Intensive Japanese language and culture in Japan.

201 Second-Year Japanese I
Fall. 5(5-0) P: JPN 102 Not open to students
with credit in JPN 200.

Intermediate-level speaking, listening comprehen-
sion, reading, writing, and grammar. Aspects of cul-
ture. Additional Kanji. Emphasis on accurate commu-
nication.

202 Second-Year Japanese II
Spring. 5(5-0) P: JPN 201 Not open to stu-
dents with credit in JPN 200.

Continuation of JPN 201. Additional Kanji and as-
pects of culture. Continued emphasis on accurate
communication.

290 Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A stu-
dent may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all
enrollments for this course. R: Approval of de-
partment. Not open to students with credit
in JPN 490.

Special projects in Japanese studies arranged by an
individual student and a faculty member in areas sup-
plementing regular course offerings.

300 Language and Culture in Japan Level 3
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 10 credits. Fall:
Abroad. Spring: Abroad. Summer: Abroad. A
student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in
all enrollments for this course. P: JPN 200 or
JPN 202

Intensive Japanese language and culture in Japan.

301 Third-Year Japanese I
Fall. 4(4-0) P: JPN 202 Not open to students
with credit in JPN 300.

High intermediate-level speaking, listening compre-
hension, reading, writing, and grammar of modern Ja-
pan. Use of some authentic materials, both spoken
and written. Additional Kanji and aspects of culture.
Class conducted mostly in Japanese.

302 Third-Year Japanese II
Spring. 4(4-0) P: JPN 301 Not open to stu-
dents with credit in JPN 300.

Continuation of JPN 301. Additional Kanji and as-
pects of culture. Class conducted mostly in Japa-
nese.

350 Studies in Japanese Language
Spring. 3(3-0) P: JPN 202

Outline of the Japanese language, partly taught in
English. History, styles, socio-linguistic issues (e.g.
honorifics, gender differences, dialects). Review of
important structures and phrases.

**369 Introduction to Japanese Literature and
Culture**

Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: {(IAH 211B or IAH
211C or IAH 211D or IAH 221B or IAH 221C
or IAH 231B or IAH 231C or IAH 241A or IAH
241C or IAH 241D) or (HST 369 or HST 370)}
and JPN 202 and Completion of Tier I Writing
Requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors.

Critical concepts and tools necessary to analyze dis-
courses on Japanese culture and literature. Key is-
sues in Japanese studies, including the emergence
of pre-modern and modern literary genres and styles,
the canonization of national literature, and the nature
of translation and transformation. Taught in English
and Japanese.

400 Language and Culture in Japan Level 4
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 10 credits. Fall:
Abroad. Spring: Abroad. Summer: Abroad. A
student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in
all enrollments for this course. P: JPN 300 or
JPN 302

Intensive Japanese language and culture in Japan.

401 Fourth-Year Japanese I
Fall. 3(3-0) P: JPN 302 Not open to students
with credit in JPN 400.

Advanced work on speaking, listening comprehen-
sion, reading, and writing. Some classical grammar.
Extensive use of original technical and non-technical
materials, both spoken and written. Additional Kanji
and aspects of culture. Class conducted entirely in
Japanese.

402 Fourth-Year Japanese II
Spring. 3(3-0) P: JPN 401 Not open to stu-
dents with credit in JPN 400.

Continuation of JPN 401. Additional Kanji and as-
pects of culture.

431 Advanced Spoken Japanese
Fall of odd years. 3(3-0) P: JPN 302 or ap-
proval of department

Present-day spoken Japanese. Mastery of common
advanced vocabulary and grammar. Various aspects
of Japanese culture and social interaction. Video and
web materials and role-play practices. Taught entirely
in Japanese.

441 Japanese Short Stories
Spring. 3(3-0) P: JPN 302 or approval of de-
partment

Short stories from various genres. Reading strate-
gies. Onomatopoeia. Taught entirely in Japanese.

**451 Advanced Japanese for Japanese
Language Proficiency Test Preparation**
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) P: JPN 302 or ap-
proval of department

Preparation for Japanese Language Proficiency Test
Levels 1 or 2. Practice in advanced-level Kanji (Chi-
nese character), grammar, and reading comprehen-
sion. Advanced speaking practice. Taught entirely in
Japanese.

**469 Research Seminar in Japanese Literature
and Culture (W)**
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: (JPN 369) and comple-
tion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to
juniors or seniors.

Critical concepts and tools for analysis of discourses
on Japanese culture and literature. Re-examination
of the received notion of Japanese uniqueness
through focused investigation of a specific founda-
tional literary narrative in circulation via various cul-
tural mediums in the twenty-first century. Taught in
English and Japanese.

490 Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A stu-
dent may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all
enrollments for this course. R: Not open to
freshmen or sophomores. Approval of de-
partment. Not open to students with credit in
JPN 290.

Special projects in Japanese studies arranged by an
individual student and a faculty member in areas sup-
plementing regular course offerings.

491 Topics in Japanese Studies
On Demand. 1 to 3 credits. A student may
earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enroll-
ments for this course. R: Approval of de-
partment.

Selected topics in the language and culture of Japan.

493 Study Abroad Experience in Japan
Fall, Spring, Summer. 2(2-0) P: JPN 202 R:
Approval of department. C: JPN 301 concu-
rently or JPN 302 concurrently or JPN 401
concurrently or JPN 402 concurrently.

Japanese language training in Japan.

499 Senior Thesis Research
Fall, Spring. 1 to 4 credits. A student may
earn a maximum of 4 credits in all enroll-
ments for this course. R: Approval of de-
partment.

Individual research project supervised by a faculty
member that demonstrates the student's ability to do
independent research and submit or present a major
paper.