



HIROSAKI
UNIVERSITY

Japanese Studies Course Course Catalog



I Course Description

This course is designed for international students who wish to study Japanese language and culture by exploring subjects related to Japanese literature, history, society, food culture and tourism, art or sport with the aid of English instruction.

The bilingual classes taught in English and Japanese offered in this course are geared to students who have EITHER English proficiency of above TOEFL 500 OR upper intermediate level Japanese.

Internships are similarly suited to students who have EITHER English Proficiency of above TOEFL 500 coupled with basic Japanese communication skills OR upper intermediate Japanese.

It offers:

* ***Japanese language classes at four levels:*** basic (incl. Everyday Spoken Japanese I and II), upper elementary, intermediate, and upper-intermediate.

* ***Japanese Studies Course classes:***

• ***Classes which explore subjects related to Japanese culture*** taught bilingually, in Japanese and English.

• ***Internships*** in the fields of tourism, hospitality, education and city promotion.

* ***Optional classes:*** which can be selected from other courses, provided students meet the language requirements.

II List of classes

Spring Semester

1) Japanese Studies Course classes

Classes related to Japanese culture taught with the aid of English instruction

- Crafts of the Tsugaru region
- Japanese war literature
- The world of Japanese picturebooks
- Traditional Japanese sports
- Japanese food culture and green tourism
- Anthropology of Japanese Social Structure

Internships

- Regional tourism in Japan
- Internship IA - implementing regional tourism Internship IB – planning regional tourism
- Internship IC – developing regional tourism
- Internship ID – customer service in the accommodation industry
- Internship IE - English teaching practice
- Internship IF – developing regional tourism (intensive)
- Internship IG – City promotion (intensive)

2) Optional classes

Japanese Area Studies classes

- Anthropology of Japanese Social Structure
- Excursions in Aomori: Cultural Anthropology of Exhibitions
- Excursions in Aomori: Research in Communal Sustainability
- Excursions in Aomori: Train and Cultural Tourism
- Food and Industrialization in Aomori: Cultural Anthropology of Local Food and Dietary

Practice (A)

- Regional-Project Seminar-an introduction to soundscape studies

Regular courses

Regular courses are offered by each faculty for mainly Japanese students. The following majors have accepted International students recent years.

Japanese literature (modern, classical), Linguistics, Japanese language, Modern Japanese history, International relations theory, Economics, Business administration, Tourism, Sociology, Folklore studies, Psychology, Intercultural communication, Physics, Environmental chemistry, Biochemistry, Molecular biology, Food science, Materials engineering, Computer science, Information engineering

3) Japanese Language

どのコースに属していても履修可能です。各学期に行うレベル分けテストで指定されたレベルの日本語科目を履修することが出来ます。

- Basic Japanese A
- Everyday Spoken Japanese IA
- Everyday Spoken Japanese IB
- Upper Elementary Japanese A
- Intermediate Japanese (Oral expression A)
- Intermediate Japanese IB (Reading A), E (Integrated A)
- Intermediate Japanese (Writing A)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Oral expression A)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Reading A)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Writing A)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Grammar A)
- Communicating with Native Speakers of Japanese in Easy Japanese

Fall Semester

1) Japanese Studies Course classes

Classes related to Japanese culture taught with the aid of English instruction

- Survey of the modern cultural history of Tsugaru
- Modern Japanese literature and the formation of identity
- Japanese women writers and their literature
- Japanese food culture and white tourism
- Japanese consumption culture

Internships

- Regional tourism in Japan
- Internship IIA - implementing regional tourism Internship IIB – planning regional tourism
- Internship IIC – developing regional tourism Internship IID – customer service in the accommodation industry
- Internship IIE - English teaching practice Internship IIF – developing regional tourism (intensive)
- Internship IIG – City promotion (intensive)

Independent studies

Students who wish to carry out a research project of their own may consult with an instructor and receive supervision if their proposal is approved.

2) Optional classes

Japanese Area Studies classes

Anthropology of Japanese Consumer Culture

Excursions in Aomori: Making Ethnography in Local Issues

Dance, Image and Body: An Introduction to Anthropology of Dance with regional

perspective

- Human Conditions: An Anthropological Perspective
- Food and Industrialization in Aomori: Cultural Anthropology of Local Food and Dietary Practice (B)
- Regional Project: An Introduction to the Tsugaru Shamisen

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3) Japanese Language

- Basic Japanese B
- Everyday Spoken Japanese IIA
- Everyday Spoken Japanese IIB
- Upper Elementary Japanese B
- Intermediate Japanese (Oral expression B)
- Intermediate Japanese IB (Reading B), E (Integrated B)
- Intermediate Japanese (Writing B)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Oral Expression B)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Reading B)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Writing A)
- Upper Intermediate Japanese (Grammar B)
- Communication Using Language We are Learning,