

6-4. Japanese Language Courses

The CPC offers a wide range of credit-bearing and non-credit Japanese language courses throughout the year.

Credit-bearing Courses

We offer credit-bearing courses at four levels of ability. Students completing three terms at a given level will be awarded a Certificate of Completion by the CPC.

- **Basic Japanese**
This course is for beginners with no previous Japanese learning experience. It focuses on basic grammar, vocabulary, and practical expressions used in everyday situations. Hiragana, katakana, and basic kanji will also be introduced.
- **Intermediate Japanese**
This course offers useful, practical Japanese for daily life. It is most appropriate for students with a basic knowledge of Japanese. Students will review basic Japanese and advance toward intermediate Japanese.
- **Advanced Japanese**
This course is designed to give advanced students an opportunity to engage in intellectual discussions in class.

Non-credit Workshops

A wide range of non-credit workshops are offered to cater to various student needs. The current offerings include

- **Survival Japanese Series**
This workshop series introduces very basic Japanese to beginners with no prior Japanese learning experience.
- **Kana & Kanji Series**
This workshop series supplements regular Japanese courses by offering additional instruction on the Kana and Kanji scripts and on basic grammar points. Upon request, students can receive guidance on how to prepare for the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT).

Special Events

- Speech Event
- Japanese Cultural and Seasonal Events
- Trips to Cultural and Historic Sites

Detailed information will be provided before each event.

Course Credit

Two credits will be awarded for courses offered in the Fall and Spring terms and one credit will be awarded for courses offered in the Winter term. The awarded credits do not count towards the degree.

Course Registration

- Beginners taking Basic Japanese can choose from several parallel sections offered during the week. Students with previous exposure to Japanese are required to take an in-class placement test before registration.
- Registration procedures are the same as for regular GRIPS courses.

Inquiries About Our Offerings

Please contact us by e-mail at cjll@grips.ac.jp or cpc@grips.ac.jp

Japanese Language Tracks

The following diagrams summarize the Japanese language tracks offered by the CPC.

- Students who have no knowledge of Japanese should enroll in Basic Japanese in Fall or Spring (or Survival Japanese in Winter).
- Students who have some knowledge of Japanese will be placed in an appropriate course after taking a placement test.

