



UNIVERSITY of HAWAII at MĀNOA

OUTREACH COLLEGE
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Learn Japanese

Japanese Language Classes for
the Beginner to Advanced Speaker

Spring
2024

Conversational Japanese: Elementary 1–3

These introductory courses are intended for students at the beginner level. In Elementary 1, students will develop basic everyday conversational skills, including an introduction to Japanese pronunciation, grammar, basic vocabulary, and orthography. Elementary 2 and 3 build on the foundational topics introduced in Elementary 1, introducing a wider variety of conversation topics and techniques. *Japanese for Busy People, Volume I*, 4th Edition, Romaji Version, will be used for Elementary 1 and 2 while Elementary 3 continues to use its 3rd edition.

Conversational Japanese: Intermediate 1–3

The Intermediate courses are for students who want to continue their study of the Japanese language, to expand their knowledge and skills with the focus on speaking skills. Students will learn more elaborate sentence structures and expressions and will be exposed to the different speech styles that native Japanese speakers use. All three sets of Japanese orthography will be used. Intermediate 1 is a transitional class between the elementary and intermediate levels while Intermediate 2 introduces different registers and styles of speech and their usages. Intermediate 3 builds on what students learned in Intermediate 2 to expand their vocabulary and expressions so that they can form more complicated sentences. *Japanese for Busy People, Volume II* will be used for all three levels, and Intermediate 3 will also use *Japanese for Busy People, Volume III*.

Conversational Japanese: High Intermediate

This class focuses on increasing students' conversation skills. Students will study major grammatical components not covered in the previous levels, conversational phrases, and onomatopoeias. In addition, we will have listening practice, reading practice and some culture studies. The course will use the *Japanese Conversation Conveying Feelings 180 Basic Expressions* (required; its Kindle version is available on Amazon.com) and *Japanese for Busy People, Volume III* (optional).

Conversational Japanese: Advanced

Focus is on conversation. Students will study formal, cultural and polite spoken language. Grammar, kanji, vocabulary, reading, listening and cultural topics will be covered within the JLPT N1 and N2 levels. Students will also work toward explaining and describing topics related to personal and general interests as advanced speakers.

NOTE: In all levels, classes include conversational practice with native Japanese speakers.

When and Where

January 27 – March 30

ONLINE (Webcam use is encouraged.)

Saturdays, 9:00–11:45am HST
10 meetings

Cost

\$200 for early registration until
1/6, 11:59pm HST

\$225 for regular registration until
1/19, 4:30pm HST

An additional late fee of \$25
will be applied from
Fri, 1/19, 4:31pm to Thu, 1/25,
12 noon HST

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