

International Student Center, Hiroshima University  
Elementary Japanese II: Fall Semester, 2018

日本語（にほんご）<sup>しよきゅう</sup>初級 II Course Syllabus

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### Class Schedule

Elementary IIA (2 credits)	Tue.	10:30-12:00	Room K210
Elementary IIB (2 credits)	Wed.	10:30-12:0	Room K209
Elementary IIC (2 credits)	Thu.	8:45-10:15	Room K209

### Aim of the Course

This course aims to develop the Japanese language skills to be able to express themselves in various situations in social interactions. Students learn various kinds of sentence patterns, expressions, vocabularies, and acquire the pre-intermediate competence in spoken and written Japanese. This will enable students to develop communicative skills and further develop confidence in their use of Japanese in actual situations.

### Textbook

Please purchase the following textbooks.

1. 「Minna no Nihongo Shokyû II Honsatsu」 [Japanese Version (Three A Network)]
2. 「Minna no Nihongo Shokyû II Translation & Grammatical Notes」  
[English Version] (Three A Network)

\*Besides English version, there are other versions in different languages.

\*The textbooks for the course are available at University Co-op (大学生協) .

- For *kanji*, the study materials from 「Minna no Nihongo Shokyû II Kanji II」 [English Version] (Three A Network) will be distributed.
- For *sakubun* (homework), copied materials from 「Minna no Nihongo Shokyû Yasashii Sakubun」 (Three A Network) will be distributed
- For reading assignment, copied materials from 「Minna no Nihongo Shokyû II Shokyûde Yomeru Topikku 25」 (Three A Network) will be distributed.

### Attendance

- Students who wish to complete this subject must attend the classes and perform all prescribed exercises. If a student is absent due to illness, they should notify the teaching staff and consult us regarding the missed work as soon as possible. If a student fails to inform the lecturer of the work to be missed prior to classes, the student is to assume responsibility for it.
- According to the rule of Hiroshima University, **if a student missed one third of the classes, she/he is not eligible to obtain credit from the course.**

## Course Schedule

V = Vocabulary Quiz      K = Kanji Quiz

\*The numbers (e.g. v20,21) indicates the lesson numbers for Vocabulary Quiz (v).

\***Vocabulary Quiz** is held on **Wednesday or Thursday**, and **Kanji Quiz** is held on **Tuesday**.

\*Regarding the vocabulary quiz and kanji quiz, please read the information on p. 3.

	Tue	Tsunematsu	Wed	Tsunematsu	Thu	Tsunematsu
Week 1	10/2	Orientation&復習	10/3	No Class **	10/4	L26
Week 2	10/9	No Class (Mon Class)	10/10	L.26	10/11	L.27
Week 3	10/16	L.27(v26,27)	10/17	L.28	10/18	L.28
Week 4	10/23	L.29 (k1)	10/24	L.29(v28,29)	10/25	L.30
Week 5	10/30	L.30 (k2)	10/31	No Class (Fri Class)	11/1	L.31
Week 6	11/6	L.31	11/7	L.32	11/8	No Class(Prep.for IE)
Week 7	11/13	L.32 (k3)	11/14	L.34(v30,31,32)	11/15	L.34
Week 8	11/20	L.35 (k4)	11/21	L.35(v34,35)	11/22	L.36
Week 9	11/27	Midterm Exam	11/28	L.36	11/29	L.37
Week 10	12/4	L.37 (k5)	12/5	L.38 (v36, 37)	12/6	L.38
Week 11	12/11	L.39 (k6)	12/12	L.39(v38, 39)	12/13	L.40
Week 12	12/18	L.40 (k7)	12/19	L.41	12/20	L.41
Week 13	1/8	L.42	1/9	L.42 (v40,41)	1/10	L.43
Week 14	1/15	L.43 (k8)	1/16	L.44 (v42,43)	1/17	L.44
Week 15	1/22	L.45 (k9)	1/23	L.45(v44,45)	1/24	L.46
Week 16	1/29	L.46(k10)	1/30	Interview Test	1/31	Final Exam

\*Lesson 33 will be skipped.

\*This schedule can be changed. When the schedule is to be changed, it will be announced in advance.

\*練習 (れんしゅう) is to be covered in the class. **It is recommended that students study the lesson before the class and do 練習 by herself/himself.** This will make the understanding of the lesson quicker and efficient. 練習 C might not be covered in each lesson.

**\*You are required to register for Japanese language course by the deadline (it changes every year).** After this date, HUSA students cannot register for Japanese language courses.

\* **October 9 (Tue)** is a substitution day for Monday class -> No class on this day.

\* **October 31 (Tue)** is a substitution day for Friday. -> No class on this day.

### Assessment

● Attendance	15%
● One-minute Speech	5%
● Quizzes (Vocab Q & Kanji Q)	20%
● Assignments	10%
● Midterm Exam	20%
● Final Exam	20%
● Interview Test	10%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

**\*\*Note:**

- Regarding attendance, absence from the class **up till 3 times** will be uncounted in the evaluation.
- According to the rule of Hiroshima University, **if a student missed one third of the classes, she/he is not eligible to obtain credit from the course.**
- **The lowest score will be dropped from Kanji Quiz and Vocab Quiz** in the evaluation.

### One-minute Speech

Each student is expected to **make a short speech (one-minute) twice** in the class. Students can choose two topics from the followings: **my hobby, what I like about Japan, my future dream, and what I miss about my country.** The date for the speech will be arranged and announced in the class.

### Quizzes

- **Vocabulary Quiz** and **Kanji Quiz** are to be held. The schedule for the quizzes is listed on page 2. The basic rule is **there is no make-up for the missed quiz** unless you have a special reason and contact the teaching staff prior to the class.
- In vocabulary quiz, in some questions your knowledge about the grammar in the designated lessons might be required in answering the questions.
- You will need to study **kanji by using the study materials handed out in the class.** Please try to review all the *kanji* which have been covered in previous materials since the same *kanji* can appear again in the quiz.

### Interview Test

Format of the interview test will be announced a few weeks in advance. Sign-up sheet for **interview test** will be circulated in the class. Please be reminded: it is impossible to prepare for a language test overnight. For acquisition of a foreign language you need to study every day and continuously make efforts.

### Assignments

Some assignments will be handed out in the class. Here are the rules regarding the assignments. Assignments are mainly the 文型練習帳(Practice Sheet) related to the textbook, トピック(Reading), and 作文(*sakubun*, a short essay)

- **As a rule, late assignment will not be accepted from the perspective of fairness in assessing it.**
- **The assignment needs to be submitted at the beginning of the class,** and students are not allowed to work on the assignment during the class. If a student works on the assignment during the class, the assignment will NOT be accepted.
- **Please do not put the late homework in the mailbox** attached to the office door of the lecturer (K302). Even if you put the late homework in the mailbox, the late homework will not be marked and counted for the assignments for the fairness.
- **If you missed the class, please take the assignment from the mailbox of the lecturer**

**[The assignment will be put in the box after the class]. It is your responsibility to take the homework.**

- When you missed the class, please contact your classmates and find out the important information you might have missed.
- You are expected to continue your study on the covered chapters by yourself on the days when you have no Japanese class.

### **Plagiarism**

Please be reminded that plagiarism is a serious offence in university study. Except where group work is specified, **assignments should be completed individually rather than in collaboration with other students or tutors.** Assignments that are found to be the product of plagiarism in any way will be failed, and no mark will be awarded for that assignment. In serious or repeated cases, plagiarism may lead to expulsion from the university.

### **Announcement of Important Information via Momiji**

Noticeboard for courses in Momiji will be used to inform students of important information about Elementary Japanese II. Please check momiji regularly so that you will not miss the important information.

### **Contact with the staff**

Students may face difficulties and problems with studying Japanese, and they might need help. The issues can be questions regarding Japanese language, or need for advice about study techniques. The teaching staff is very happy to help you, but will not know your problems unless you express it. When you need help, please consult with the teacher. Please don't wait till the problems become overwhelming and out of control!

Teaching staff has set office hours for students, and this is announced on the office door. If students cannot visit the office during the office hours, you can make an appointment.

### **Efficient Way of Studying**

Very important advice on language acquisition:

**It is very important to study the lesson before you attend the class. This will help you tremendously to study Japanese efficiently.** If you come to the class without studying the lesson, it will make you frustrated, and furthermore, it will take double the amount of time to review it later and digest the material. Please take the class as a place where you review the lesson, make sure your correct understanding of the material, and use it in actual interactions so that you can effectively use what you are learning in actual settings. Please use your study time and limited class time in an effective way.