

LC4995: JAPANESE 6

Effective Term

Semester A 2025/26

Part I Course Overview

Course Title

Japanese 6

Subject Code

LC - CFML CSL Language Centre

Course Number

4995

Academic Unit

CFML CSL Language Centre (LC)

College/School

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CH)

Course Duration

One Semester

Credit Units

3

Level

B1, B2, B3, B4 - Bachelor's Degree

Medium of Instruction

Other Languages

Other Languages for Medium of Instruction

Japanese supplemented by English

Medium of Assessment

Other Languages

Other Languages for Medium of Assessment

Japanese supplemented by English

Prerequisites

LC4994 Japanese Language - Level 5/Japanese 5; or
AIS4994 Japanese Language - Level 5; or
CTL4994 Advanced Japanese I; or
AIS4935 Practical Japanese I

Precursors

Nil

Equivalent Courses

AIS4995 Japanese Language - Level 6; &

CTL4995 Advanced Japanese II

Exclusive Courses

Nil

Part II Course Details**Abstract**

This course aims at strengthening students' knowledge of Japanese honorific expressions and customary usage in business situations, and explores the meaning making potential of Japanese grammar and how it is deployed in different contexts and for different purposes. After finishing this course, students should be able to 1) identify customary usage in various practical situations; communicate with Japanese people in honorific language at an adequate level; 2) use appropriate styles in various practical settings; 3) master grammar at a relatively high level; 4) master Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at a higher intermediate to advanced level. Students who have either successfully completed associate degree studies in Japanese or attained a Japanese language proficiency level of JLPT Level 3 or higher are allowed to enrol in this course.

Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

CILOs		Weighting (if app.)	DEC-A1	DEC-A2	DEC-A3
1	Apply knowledge of Japanese customs and practices to communicate with Japanese speakers	10	x	x	
2	Master basic elements of Japanese grammar	30	x	x	x
3	Use basic communicative skills in practical domains	20		x	x
4	Master Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level	40	x	x	x

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to real-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

Learning and Teaching Activities (LTAs)

LTAs		Brief Description	CILO No.	Hours/week (if applicable)
1		Different forms of expressions will be introduced in class; Drills and exercises enhance students' understanding of the usage of expressions; and Conversation in authentic situation will be practiced in class	1, 2, 3, 4	
2		Listening skills will be introduced in class; Listening exercises allow students to practice the skills that they acquired	1, 3, 4	
3		Materials from different sources on different topics will be selected for group discussion in order to strengthen students' communication skills; and Individual presentation / project on topics related to Japanese culture is required so that students can learn more about the language and culture and thus raise their interest for further study	1, 2, 4	

Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)

ATs		CILO No.	Weighting (%)	Remarks ("- " for nil entry)	Allow Use of GenAI?
1	Written tests on the analysis and application of Japanese will be given at the mid and the end of the semester.	2, 3, 4	60	-	No
2	A listening test and an oral test will be given to students at the end of the semester.	1, 2, 3, 4	20	-	No

3	Reading and written tasks will be given to students to evaluate their comprehensive ability and language proficiency.	1, 2, 4	20	Refer to assessment task instructions to be provided by the course instructor for parameters of use	Yes
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Continuous Assessment (%)

100

Examination (%)

0

Assessment Rubrics (AR)**Assessment Task**

1. Written tests on the analysis and application of Japanese will be given at the mid and the end of the semester

Criterion

- (1) Mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar
- (2) Mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level
- (3) Expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese
- (4) Understanding complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Excellent (A+, A, A-)

Excellent mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Excellent mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Convincing expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Excellent understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Good (B+, B, B-)

Good mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Good mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Appropriate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Good understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Fair (C+, C, C-)

Satisfactory mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Satisfactory mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level; Satisfactory expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Satisfactory understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Marginal (D)

Barely adequate mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Barely adequate mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Barely adequate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Barely adequate understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Failure (F)

Inadequate mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Inadequate mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level; &
 Inadequate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese

Assessment Task

2. A listening test and an oral test will be given to students at the end of the semester

Criterion

- (1) Mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies
- (2) Understanding complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation
- (3) Respond to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways
- (4) Intonation and accent

Excellent (A+, A, A-)

Excellent mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies;
Excellent understanding of complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation;
Excellent response to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways; &
Excellent intonation and accent

Good (B+, B, B-)

Good mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies;
Good understanding of complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation;
Appropriate response to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways; &
Good intonation and accent

Fair (C+, C, C-)

Satisfactory mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies;
Satisfactory understanding of complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation; Satisfactory response to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways; & Satisfactory intonation and accent

Marginal (D)

Barely adequate mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies;
Barely adequate understanding of complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation;
Barely adequate response to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways; & Inappropriate intonation and accent

Failure (F)

Inadequate mastery of basic Japanese grammar and vocabularies;
Inadequate understanding of complex content and ideas in Japanese conversation;
Inadequate response to the examiner' s questions in thoughtful and considerate ways; &
Inadequate knowledge of intonation and accent

Assessment Task

3. Reading and written tasks will be given to students to evaluate their comprehensive ability and language proficiency

Criterion

- (1) Mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar
- (2) Mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level
- (3) Expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view
- (4) Understanding complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Excellent (A+, A, A-)

Excellent mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
Excellent mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
Convincing expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
Excellent understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Good (B+, B, B-)

Good mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Good mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Appropriate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Good understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Fair (C+, C, C-)

Satisfactory mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Satisfactory mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Satisfactory expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Satisfactory understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Marginal (D)

Barely adequate mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Barely adequate mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level;
 Barely adequate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese; &
 Barely adequate understanding of complex ideas and concepts in Japanese writing

Failure (F)

Inadequate mastery of basic elements of Japanese grammar, basic Japanese communicative skills in practical situations;
 Inadequate mastery of Kanji characters and Japanese vocabulary at an intermediate level; &
 Inadequate expression and explanation of individual ideas and points of view in Japanese

Part III Other Information

Keyword Syllabus

Japanese honorific expressions, essential skills for effective communication in practical contexts; kanji, vocabulary, grammar, mood and speech functions, theme and focus, identifying and correcting common errors; practical communication: invitation, reporting, exposition, practical and academic writing, reading.

Reading List**Compulsory Readings**

Title	
1	東京外国語大学留学生日本語教育センター 『上級日本語』 2010年
2	宮崎道子, 郷司幸子 にほんごで働く! ビジネス日本語30時間 スリーエーネットワーク 2009年
3	新版 ロールプレイで学ぶ 中級から上級への日本語会話 2014年 凡人社

Additional Readings

Title	
1	金子広幸 「新日本語敬語トレーニング」 2014年 アスク
2	村野節子 ロールプレイで学ぶビジネス日本語 グローバル企業でのキャリア構築をめざして スリーエーネットワーク 2012年
3	ビジネス日本語 オール・イン・ワン問題集 ―聴く・読む・話す・書くジャパンタイムス 2015年