



Japanese Language Studies for IPLA Students

Spring 2020



Class information

- See [‘A Guide to the Japanese Language Program at Kawauchi/特別課程の受講案内’](#) for details.

<http://www.he.tohoku.ac.jp/SJLE/JLPK/guide-e.pdf>

- You will be given information on the textbook and class schedule from your class instructor(s).
- Each class has its own lesson plan, exam schedule, and grading policy, which will be explained at the beginning of the class.



Syllabus

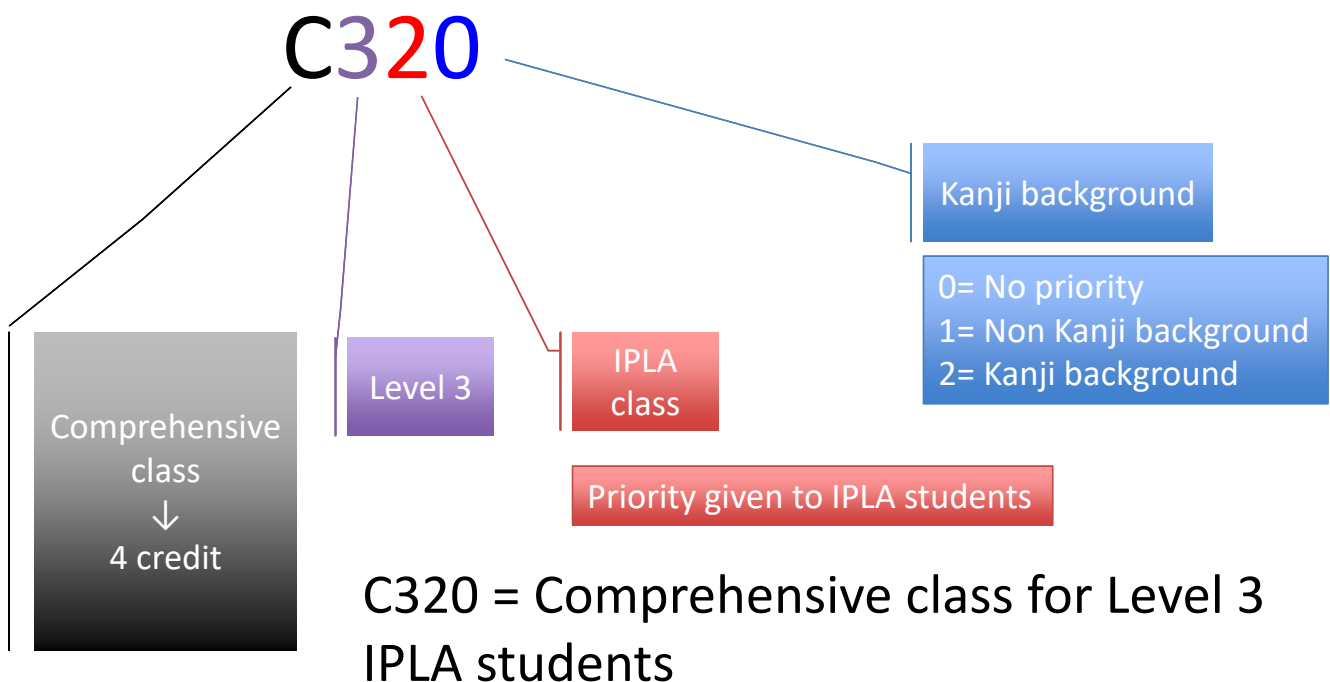
Please read the Japanese course syllabus carefully before the classes start.

Syllabus:

<http://www.he.tohoku.ac.jp/SJLE/syllabi/>



Japanese class numbering system





Requirements

- 4 compulsory Japanese Language credits per semester
- Take the Japanese classes assigned to your level

Grading Scale

AA	Particularly excellent (90-100 points).
A	Excellent (80-89 points).
B	Good (70-79 points).
C	Passed (60-69 points).
D	Failed (0-59 points).
E	Withdrew from the class.



Compulsory Japanese Classes

4 credits	
Level 2	I220 or C220
Level 3	C320
Level 4	C440
Level 5	C500 (2 credits) and choose 2 credits from the Japanese language classes, culture seminars, and co-learning seminars
Level 6	Choose 4 credits from the Japanese language classes, culture seminars, and co-learning seminars



Kanji Classes

- Choose just one class at your designated level, or one level below or above that level. (e.g. If your level is "K2," select one class at level K1, K2, or K3.)
- If the instructor does not give permission, you cannot take the class.
- **Twice a week: 2 credits, Once a week: 1 credit**

Kanji Level	Classes
K1 Kanji/Vocabulary 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K101 (2 credits)
K2 Kanji/Vocabulary 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K201 (2 credits) • K202 (1 credit)
K3 Kanji/Vocabulary 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K300 (2 credits)
K4 Kanji/Vocabulary 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K400 (2 credits)
K5 Kanji/Vocabulary 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K500a/b (1 credit)

Japanese Level 2 (Basic)

Target: CEFR/JFS A2.1, JLPT N4



Compulsory
(4 credits)

- Continuing students who completed I120 can take **I220: Basic Japanese for Interaction** (Wed. and Fri. 1st and 2nd)
- Continuing students who completed C120 can take I220 or **C220: Basic Japanese for Interaction** (Wed. and Fri. 1st and 2nd)

Elective

- **Kanji/Vocabulary (1 or 2 credits)**

Japanese Level 3 (Pre-Intermediate)

Target: CEFR/JFS A2.2, JLPT N3



Compulsory
(4 credits)

C320: Pre-Intermediate Comprehensive Japanese
(Wed. and Fri. 1st and 2nd)

Elective

Japanese language classes (1 credit each)

- **L300:** Pre-Intermediate Japanese Listening Comprehension
- **S300:** Pre-Intermediate Japanese Speaking/Conversation
- **R300:** Pre-Intermediate Japanese Reading Comprehension
- **W300:** Pre-Intermediate Japanese Writing/Composition
- **Kanji/Vocabulary (1 or 2 credits)**

Japanese Level 4 (Intermediate)

Target: CEFR/JFS B1, JLPT N2



Compulsory
(4 credits)

C440: Intermediate Comprehensive Japanese
(Wed. and Fri. 1st and 2nd)

Elective

Japanese language classes (1 credit each)

- **L400:** Intermediate Japanese Listening Comprehension
- **S400:** Intermediate Japanese Speaking/Conversation
- **R400:** Intermediate Japanese Reading Comprehension
- **W400:** Intermediate Japanese Writing/Composition
- **Kanji/Vocabulary (1 or 2 credits)**

Co-learning seminars (2 credits each)

- **CC430:** Cross-cultural Communication
- **PE430:** Developing Performative Exercises for Japanese Conversation
- **SC430:** Seeing Home Country and Area from Japan

Japanese Level 5 (Upper-Intermediate)

Target: CEFR/JFS B2, JLPT N1



Compulsory
(2 credits)

C500: Upper-Intermediate Comprehensive Japanese
(Fri. 1st and 2nd)

Elective
Choose 2
credits or more

Japanese language classes (1 credit each)

- L590: Upper-Intermediate Japanese Listening Comprehension
- R500: Upper-Intermediate Japanese Reading Comprehension
- S500: Upper-Intermediate Japanese Speaking/Conversation
- W500: Upper-Intermediate Japanese Writing/Composition
- Kanji/Vocabulary (1 or 2 credits)

Culture seminars (2 credits each)

- PA500: Upper-Intermediate Research Seminar: Practical Japanese for Academic Research

Co-learning seminars (2 credits each)

- DU500: Deepening One's Understanding of Oneself and Others
- HG500: How to Build a Global Career
- JL500: Japanese Language in Contrast
- ML500: Japanese Modern Literature

Japanese Level 6 (Advanced)

Target: CEFR/JFS C1



Elective
Choose 4 credits
or more

Japanese language classes and culture seminars (1 credit each)

- L690 : Advanced Japanese Listening Comprehension
- S690 : Advanced Japanese Speaking/Conversation
- R690 : Advanced Japanese Reading Comprehension
- W690 : Advanced Japanese Writing/Composition
- BJ680 : Advanced Business Japanese (2 credits)
- CL600: Advanced Japanese Culture Seminar: Japanese Classical Literature (2 credits)
- Kanji/Vocabulary (1 or 2 credits)

Co-learning seminars (2 credits each)

- GC680: Global Communication
- HR600: Understanding of Human Resources Management Systems...
- JB600a/b: Buddhism and Japan
- PL600: Intercultural Communication Studies: Application, Personal Leadership
- SE600: Japanese Society from External Perspectives

- **Students may also take culture seminars and co-learning seminars at Level 5**



Extra Japanese Classes

- You may take elective Japanese classes on top of your compulsory classes and earn extra credits, except **some exceptional elective classes**.
- You **cannot take more than one class with the same alphabet letter** (e.g. S310 and S320, R410 and R500).
- If you choose to take an extra class, but find it unsuitable and decide to drop it, please **notify both the class instructor(s) and the IPLA office**.



Your Contact

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Assistance for Japanese Study

If you need extra help to catch up with class
work,

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Back-up classes can be arranged on mutually
agreed times and days.