

Japanese Language Studies for IPLA Students

Spring 2022



JLP Placement Test

The level of your Japanese Language ability will be determined by the result of the online Placement Test.

The placement test may be taken only ONCE.



Tentative Level

If your placement test result is on the borderline between two levels, your level certificate may show 仮(tentative), e.g. 仮 4 レベル = tentative level 4

- You may choose classes either at the level shown or at the level below.
- You may not mix levels.
- Decide which level you want to register at for this semester.



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

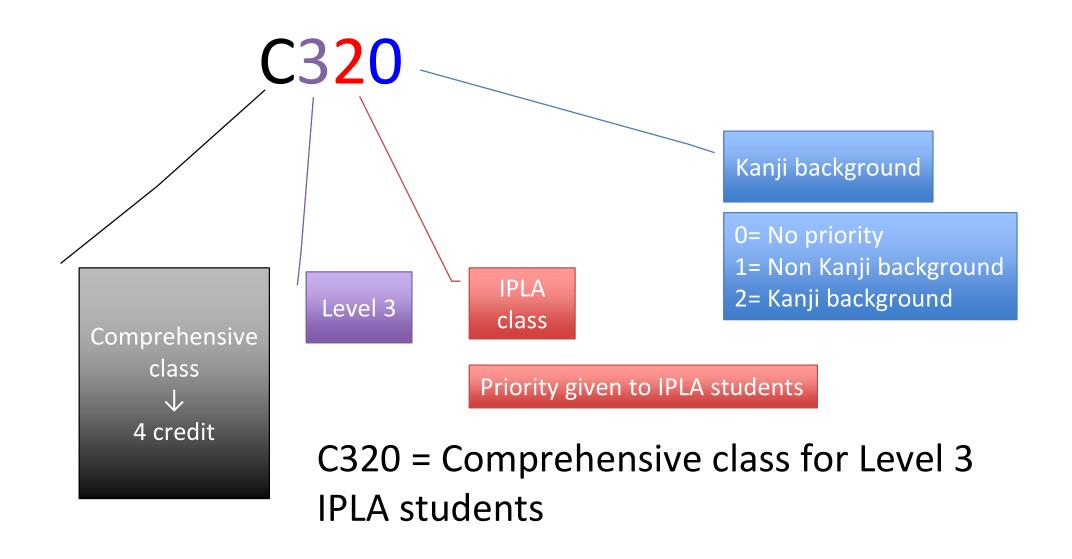
Please read the Japanese course syllabus carefully before the classes start.

Syllabus:

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



Japanese class numbering system





Japanese Class Progression System

Current Level	Conditions to proceed to the next level w/o taking the PT
Level 1 & 2	Obtain an "AA" or "A" in C1 or C2, and you may proceed to C2 or C3, respectively.
Level 3 & 4	Obtain an "AA" or "A" grade in C3 or C4. (or, Obtain more than 3 "AA" or "A" grades in Level 3 or 4 courses other than C3 or C4)*1,2
Level 5	Obtain "AA" or "A" in both C5 and another Level 5 courses (or, Obtain more than 3 "AA" or "A" grades in Level 5 courses other than C5) *1,2

^{*1} Except the grades of Kanji classes

^{*2} Obtaining 2 "B" grades is considered equal to obtaining an "A"



Priority Subjects for IPLA

- Whenever possible <u>please take classes that give</u> <u>priority to IPLA students</u>.
- If you are unable to take the IPLA Priority Subjects due to the time zone difference or some other reason, you can take the Available Subjects instead.
- At the first class, please tell the instructor that you are an IPLA student.



Available Subject

- All classes have size limits.
- If a class's limit is exceeded, a lottery or some other means is used to select students, and you may not be able to get in.

 Lottery results are usually announced during or after the first class, so please attend the first class.



Change the Level

- If you feel that the class does not match your level, please consult with the JLPK coordinator Prof. Nakamura. He may suggest to attend a class one level lower than your current one.
- Once you have decided which level suits you, talk to the class instructor, contact Prof.
 Nakamura (JLPK coordinator) and the Student Exchange Division by email.



JLPK Course List for IPLA

Please refer to the link below for the course list for the IPLA 2022 Spring.

IPLA JLPK Courses



Extra Japanese 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 <u>notify</u> both the class instructor(s) and the IPLA office.



Attendance

- You are required to attend at least ²/₃ of your classes.
 If you must be absent from class, <u>inform your class</u> <u>instructor</u> directly or via a classmate.
- If you do not attend at least two-thirds of the total number of classes, you will receive a "D" (fail).
- If you are <u>absent for two consecutive classes</u> without a good reason, you may get taken off the class list.
- If possible, <u>notify your class instructor of your absence</u> <u>in advance</u>, and try to get any relevant class materials in order to catch up.



Your Contact

If you need assistance for your Japanese study,

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Assistance for Japanese Study

Some useful links and study tips are uploaded on Google Classroom

Classroom Code: f6fyfbx

Back-up classes

Wednesday 13:00-14:30

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