

Course title	Upper Intermediate Japanese Listening and Speaking A				
Responsible person to enter grades	MAEDA Manami			開講区分	単位数
				1st quarter	0.0
Numbering Code	R1IG070	Day・Period, etc.	Wed1(対面)	Timetable Slot Code	

#### Lesson topic

This course focuses on current issues as well as social and cultural themes, with an emphasis on developing the ability to explain, discuss, and present topics of personal interest.

#### Lesson target

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Provide clear and logical explanations of topics of personal interest.
2. Deliver presentations structured with audience awareness.
3. Demonstrate understanding of current, social, and cultural issues and discuss them effectively.
4. Use appropriate vocabulary and expressions necessary for discussion and presentation.
5. Apply communication strategies to manage interactional challenges.

#### Syllabus and plan

This course aims to develop students' ability to provide clear, detailed, and well-structured explanations of topics in which they have a current interest. It also seeks to cultivate the ability to present ideas in a manner that effectively engages the audience.

The course centers on discussions and presentations based on current issues and social or cultural themes. While selected readings and short audiovisual materials may be used when appropriate, the primary emphasis is placed on productive skills and interactive communication. Through these activities, students expand their range of relevant vocabulary and expressions and develop communication strategies for addressing interactional challenges.

Week 1 (April 8) Orientation; Making a Positive Impression through Self-Introduction

Week 2 (April 15) Introducing a Friend

Week 3 (April 22) Talking about Turning Points and Motivations

Week 4 (May 8) Talking about an Experience of Losing Something

Week 5 (May 13) Describing a Town or Community

Week 6 (May 20) Debate

Week 7 (May 27) Debate II; Review and Summary

Week 8 (June 3) Course Summary and Examination

The topics covered in each session are provisional and may be revised as necessary in accordance with students' needs and evolving social conditions.

#### Evaluation method

Evaluation components:

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| (1) Tests                 | 40% |
| (2) Assignment            | 20% |
| (3) Classroom performance | 40% |

## Evaluation baseline

\*A minimum attendance rate of 70% is required for course evaluation. Students who fail to meet this requirement will automatically receive an "F" (Fail).

- 1.The extent to which students are able to express their own opinions logically, understand the views of others, and respond appropriately will be assessed.
- 2.The extent to which students are able to utilize prior knowledge to appropriately comprehend news content related to current issues will be assessed.

## Notice (include info. on related class)

### Target Students:

This course is designed for upper-intermediate level learners. Students who have completed intermediate-level coursework or who have been placed at the upper-intermediate level by the CIE-J Test are eligible to enroll.

\*Exchange students (Special Auditing Students) are eligible to enroll.

### Related Courses:

- It is recommended that students continue with Japanese Listening and Speaking (Upper-Intermediate B).
- Japanese Upper-Intermediate I-III A

## Review and preparation

### Preparatory and Review Study:

Students are required to complete preparatory work for each class in accordance with the instructions provided on BEEF.

At this university, the standard study time is set at 45 hours per credit. Students are expected to engage in both preparatory and review study in connection with each class session.

## Office hour · Contact information

In principle, questions should be asked during class. If students have questions outside class hours, they should contact the instructor via the email address below.

Email address: cashy\_den\_fuku[AT]peridot.kobe-u.ac.jp

Please replace "[AT]" with the at symbol (@) when entering the address.

## Message for student

Students are encouraged to develop the ability to express their genuine thoughts and feelings and to understand the true feelings of others. Through this course, they are expected to discover hints for building deeper mutual understanding.

## Improvements in Teaching

Support for self-study will be provided via BEEF (LMS)

## Text

Study materials (including listening material) will be uploaded onto BEEF

As course materials will be distributed in digital format, students are required to bring a laptop computer or tablet to class.

## Reference Material

Course materials will be posted on BEEF.

As materials will be distributed in electronic format, students are required to bring a laptop computer or tablet to class.

The use of smartphones is not permitted.

Classroom Language

Japanese

Japanese

Keywords

Japanese

Upper intermediate Listening & Speaking

Laptop

Exchange student(Special auditing student) accepted