Course Title	Japanese Class - Level I	Instructor	KAWAKITA, Sonoko
科目名	Japanese Class - Level 1	担当者	川北 園子
Semester 学期	Seinan Summer Japanese Program	Total Credit Hrs	70
Course Leve	Japanese-Language Proficiency Test N5 - N4	総単位時	*Review/ preparation hours
コースレベル	レ 日本語能力試験N5 - N4レベル	間	included

【Course Objectives: 授業の到達目標】

This course is designed for students who have a basic understanding of Japanese. It is suitable for learners who can use simple words and phrases, and who are beginning to hold short conversations in everyday situations. No advanced knowledge of Japanese is required.

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

- 1. Use basic Japanese greetings and self-introductions appropriately when meeting new people.
- 2. Ask and answer simple questions in Japanese related to everyday situations, such as asking for permission.
- 3. Support communication in Japanese in real-life contexts such as assisting young learners in an elementary school setting.
- 4. Understand and respond to casual spoken Japanese; especially when interacting with children or Japanese students you know.
- 5. Use simple Japanese sentences to engage in basic cross-cultural conversations that compare Japanese customs and manners with those of their own culture.
- 6. Describe personal experiences in Japanese using short phrases and photos, both in spoken and written form.
- 7. Follow and explain simple Japanese recipes, including ingredients and cooking steps, and collaborate with others to prepare traditional Japanese food.

【Course Summary: 授業の概要】

This is a hands-on, experience-based course, where students learn Japanese through real-life activities and cultural interaction. By actively participating in tasks such as cooking, school visits, interviews, and local events students will improve their language skills in a natural and engaging way. Before each activity students will learn and research the key vocabulary and grammar needed for the task. After each activity they will reflect on their experience through class discussions and by writing short sentences in Japanese. This process helps reinforce learning and build confidence in using the language in practical situations.

This course includes the following seven types of activities:

- 1) Introduce yourself and ask basic questions in Japanese when meeting someone for the first time.
- 2) Participate in a scavenger hunt in the Nishijin shopping street using Japanese to ask questions and request permission.
- 3) Join English classes at Seinan Elementary School and interact in Japanese with children who have difficulty understanding English. Communicate with the students and comprehend their casual spoken Japanese.
- 4) Compare manners and customs in Japan with those of your home country. Engage in simple conversations with Japanese students and ask questions.
- 5) Give a brief presentation about your study trip using photos and write short sentences to describe your experiences.
- 6) Interview Japanese people who are knowledgeable about local culture and traditions you can experience in Fukuoka.
- 7) Describe cooking steps and ingredients in Japanese while preparing traditional Japanese dishes. Work together with classmates to follow the recipe and complete the cooking task.

【Study Required outside Class (Preparation etc.): 事前·事後学習】

Research cultural or situational background information if necessary. Prepare questions or materials needed for the activity. Review new words and expressions used during the task.

【Textbooks, Course Materials: 教科書、参考書等】

こんにちは、にほんご! Simple, Read-to-use Expressions for Living in Japan, Tekkuteku Nihongo kyoooshikai, 2009, The Japan Times. The instructor will prepare and distribute all necessary handouts and materials for each activity and task.

【Grading Criteria: 成績評価の方法】

Details about the grading and evaluation methods will be provided by the instructor during the first class session.

【Note: 履修上の注意】

Students are expected to actively participate and work together with their classmates to achieve the goals. Students are also expected to do their own research and act independently without a teacher present. If a student is found using a mobile phone for purposes unrelated to the class during the lesson, it will be considered as not participating in the class and points will be deducted. If the student continues such behavior even after being warned, they will be marked as absent.