



## Japanese Language Course

Presented by the Centre for Japanese Studies, University of Pretoria

The **Japanese Language Course** is ideal whether you are looking to acquire Japanese for the purpose of business, travel or personal interest. From delicious sushi and tea, to the brave samurais and beautiful geishas of ancient Japan, this three-part course (basic, intermediate and advanced) will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to communicate in this exciting language. During the course, you will be able to broaden your understanding of the Japanese language and culture, while learning the Hiragana and Katakana (Japanese characters) for writing and reading. You will also develop basic communication skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing in Japanese.

### Course content

#### Topics

- Greetings and introductions
- Asking and giving personal information
- The time
- Shopping (basic concepts)
- Ordering at a restaurant
- Describing daily routines
- Making plans for the weekend
- Inviting somebody to do something

#### Grammar

- Introduction to the Japanese writing system
- *Hiragana/katakana*
- 30 *kanjis*
- Japanese pronunciation
- Word order
- *Ko/so/a/do* system
- Time expressions
- Particle *ni/de/to*
- Verbs with particle *o/ni*

#### Culture

- Understanding some practical culture differences
- Introducing traditional and contemporary cultures

### Learning outcomes

After successfully completing this course, you will be able to

- execute *hiragana* and *katakana* in reading and writing
- demonstrate the use of approximately 30 *kanji*-characters
- develop basic communication skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing in Japanese, and
- get to know both traditional and contemporary Japanese cultures and societies through various materials (videos, quizzes, etc.) and activities (origami, wearing *yukata*, etc.).

**This course requires disciplined study habits and compulsory class participation.**

### Who should enrol?

This course is ideal for you if you are keen to learn Japanese as a foreign language whether you are a participant in the Japanese

Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme, have prospective business dealings with Japanese companies/organisations or if you are a student participating or interested in an exchange programme to Japan.

### Course fees

**Student fee:** R2 727.00 (VAT incl.)  
**Professional/public fee:** R6 360.00 (VAT incl.)

Student proof of registration required. Course fees include all course material for use during contact sessions.

**Course fees must be paid in full 14 days prior to course start dates. Proof of payment can be submitted to [enrolments@enterprises.up.ac.za](mailto:enrolments@enterprises.up.ac.za).**

### Admission requirements

Prospective delegates should at least have a National Senior Certificate (Grade 12) and/or relevant work experience. Delegates who do not adhere to the minimum requirements will be considered upon submission of a motivation for enrolment.

### Accreditation and certification

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### Registration and enrolments

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