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Placement for Language Students

Note: A placement test is required for students who have previous training and/or experience, but who have not taken a course in this language at Carleton. For details, please consult carleton.ca/slals/modern-languages and follow the placement test instructions before registering.

Students who are found to be registered in an inappropriate level of the course will be deregistered following assessment by their instructor (and/or the Director of the School). It is crucial for students to complete the placement test in a manner that truly demonstrates their language proficiency.

Students should note that they cannot go backward in a sequence of levels in language courses.

JAPA 1010 [0.5 credit] First-Year Japanese I

For students with no knowledge of Japanese. Oral skills, reading and writing. Compulsory attendance. Precludes additional credit for JAPA 1110. Four hours a week.

JAPA 1020 [0.5 credit] First-Year Japanese II

Continuation of first-year Japanese. Oral skills, reading and writing. Compulsory attendance.

Precludes additional credit for JAPA 1110.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 1010, or permission of the School.

Four hours a week.

JAPA 1110 [1.0 credit] Intensive First-Year Japanese

For students with no knowledge of Japanese. Oral skills, reading and writing. Compulsory attendance. Precludes additional credit for JAPA 1010 and JAPA 1020. Eight hours a week (one term).

JAPA 2110 [1.0 credit] Intensive Second-Year Japanese

Further study of Japanese to reach a more advanced level of ability in a range of situations. Equal emphasis on oral and written language. Compulsory attendance. Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 1020 or JAPA 1110, or permission of the School. Eight hours a week (one term).

JAPA 3010 [0.5 credit] Third-Year Japanese I

Further study of Japanese to reach a more advanced level, including the ability to handle authentic materials and primary texts required for academic studies. Compulsory attendance.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 2110, or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 3011 [0.5 credit]

Reading in Japanese – Kanji I

Intended for students taking JAPA 3010 and those who want to learn kanji in depth and become proficient in reading various Japanese texts. The course is intended primarily for students who do not use Chinese characters in their first language.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 2110 or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 3020 [0.5 credit] Third-Year Japanese II

Continuation of third-year Japanese to reach a more advanced level, including the ability to handle authentic materials and primary texts required for academic studies. Compulsory attendance.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 3010, or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 3021 [0.5 credit] Reading in Japanese – Kanji II

A continuation of Reading in Japanese – Kanji I. Further development of reading skills in Japanese. Intended primarily for students who do not use Chinese characters in their first language.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 3011 or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 4010 [0.5 credit] Fourth-Year Japanese I

Development of speaking and writing abilities more complex than those used in daily communication. Development of language use for specific purposes and in specific contexts such as the academic, business and technical domains. Compulsory attendance.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 3020, or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 4020 [0.5 credit] Fourth-Year Japanese II

Continuation of fourth-year Japanese. Further development of speaking and writing abilities more complex than those used in daily communication. Development of language use for specific purposes and in specific contexts such as the academic, business and technical domains. Compulsory attendance.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 4010 or

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Three hours a week.

JAPA 4210 [0.5 credit]

Functional Contemporary Japanese I

Further study of Japanese to reach a more advanced level, aimed at developing speaking and writing abilities more complex than those used in daily communication. Development of language use for specific purposes in contexts such as the academic, business and technical domains.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 4020 or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 4220 [0.5 credit]

Functional Contemporary Japanese II

Continuation of JAPA 4210. Further development of speaking and writing abilities more complex than those used in daily communication. Development of language use for specific purposes in contexts such as the academic, business and technical domains.

Prerequisite(s): grade of C or higher in JAPA 4210 or permission of the School.

Three hours a week.

JAPA 4900 [1.0 credit]

Independent Study

Research in a topic in Japanese language, literature or linguistics under the supervision of a member of the School.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): third- or fourth-year standing and
enrolment in the Minor in Japanese, a grade of C or higher
in JAPA 4020 or equivalent, or permission of the School.

JAPA 4901 [0.5 credit] Independent Study

Research in a topic in Japanese language, literature or linguistics under the supervision of a member of the School.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): third- or fourth-year standing and
enrolment in the Minor in Japanese, JAPA 4020 or
equivalent, or permission of the School.