



**University of International Business and Economics  
International Summer School**

**JAP 107 Elementary Japanese**

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**Class Hours: Monday through Friday, 120 minutes each day (2,400 minutes in total)**

**Office Hours: TBD**

**Discussion Session: 2 hours each week**

**Total Contact Hours: 64 contact hours (45 minutes each, 48 hours in total)**

**Credit: 4 units**

**Course Description:**

This is an introductory course in modern spoken and written Japanese, designed for beginners to develop fundamental skills in areas of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Students will study language and culture together and complete the elementary level study of Japanese in the 15 lessons.

The course helps students to develop both communicative and cultural competency through comprehensive contextualized instructions. On the communication level, students will be able to handle elementary daily conversations taking place in different scenarios, such as giving self-introduction, ordering food in restaurant and having conversations with shop assistant. On the cultural level, students will be exposed to key cultural topics such as Japanese traditional annual event, seasonal landscape, Japanese food and Japanese traditions such as tea ceremony.

All the contextual learning will consist of four key learning dimensions, including: conversation, grammar, reading and writing. The course will introduce the basic grammar and the sentence structure as well as the model conversations taking place in different scenarios. Student will master related knowledge through individual assignment or group projects. Meanwhile, the course will also systematically introduce the Japanese writing system, including Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji and assign several reading assignments to build-up students' reading and writing abilities. Reading assignments and short paragraph writing assignment should help students to foster their comprehension and writing ability on related course topics.

**Course Goals:**

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- ✓ Read, write, and type Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji.
- ✓ Understand the basic grammar and sentence patterns.

- ✓ Greet in different time and situation.
- ✓ Introduce yourself, family members and friends.
- ✓ Make a daily schedule, talk about your plans and arrangements.
- ✓ Shop at market and dine in a restaurant.
- ✓ Express your feelings, gratitude, and apologies.
- ✓ Write simple memos and e-mails.
- ✓ Read and understand simple essays and stories with the dictionaries.

**Prerequisite:**

Open to all students with interest in learning Japanese. No previous training is required.

**Required Textbook:**

- Marugoto: Japanese language and culture Starter A1 Coursebook for communicative language competences / まるごと 日本のことばと文化 入門 A1 リカイ (JF Standard coursebook) 独立行政法人国際交流基金(著) **ISBN 978-4384057539**
- IRODORI: Japanese for Life in Japan A1/生活の日本語(JF Standard coursebook) 独立行政法人国際交流基金(著) 入門 | いろいろ 生活の日本語 **Online free access: [jpf.go.jp](http://jpf.go.jp)**

**Grading Policy:**

The final grade will be calculated as follows:

Assessment	Final Grade
Attendance and Class Participation	15%
Assignment	60%
Quiz	5%
Midterm exam	10%
Final Examination	10%

**Grading Scale:**

Assignments and examinations will be graded according to the following grade scale:

<b>A</b>	90-100	<b>C+</b>	72-74
<b>A-</b>	85-89	<b>C</b>	68-71
<b>B+</b>	82-84	<b>C-</b>	64-67
<b>B</b>	78-81	<b>D</b>	60-63
<b>B-</b>	75-77	<b>F</b>	below 60

### Academic Integrity:

The University of International Business and Economics expects students to be honest in their academic work. Academic dishonesty is viewed as a serious violation of university rules and such misconduct is not accepted by academic community. In particular, students must refrain from plagiarism, cheating and collusion in connection with examinations, submitting substantially the same piece of work to different classes and must fully acknowledge all the sources of ideas and all assistance received in work submitted to the instructor for evaluation. Violation of the rules of academic honesty may lead to suspension or disqualification of the student from further study at the University.

### Tentative Course Schedule:

Date	Lecture	Reading/Assignments/ Examination
Day 1	<b>Course Overview Japanese Syllabary1 Hiragana and Katakana</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P21-34/ Assignment1 Hiragana and Katakana
Day 2	<b>Japanese Syllabary2 Type in Japanese with IME</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P42-43/ Quiz Hiragana and Katakana
Day 3	<b>Japanese Grammar Category Daily Greetings</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P44-53/ Group Assignment 1 Daily greeting video
Day 4	<b>Sentence Patterns Self-introduction</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P81-97/ Assignment 2 Self-introduction Video
Day 5	<b>Noun Sentences Seasons' Greetings</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P35-50/ Group Assignment 2 Seasons' greetings Video
Day 6	<b>Noun Sentences My Family and Friends</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P205/ Assignment 3 Introduce my family / best friend with a photo

Day 7	<b>Verb Sentences and Case Particle My Daily Life</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P83-98 IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P232-236 P240-256/ Assignment 4 Video on my typical day
Day 8	<b>Verb Sentences and Case Particle Our Weekend's Plan</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P101-116 IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P257-259 P293-297/ Group Assignment 3 Present a group weekend's plan in Shanghai
Day 9	<b>Adjective sentences Sense and feelings</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P206-208/ Group Assignment 4 Present a seasonal landscape of Japan
Day 10	<b>Adjective sentences Climate and weather</b>	Midterm exam
Day 11	<b>Scenario Learning Shop at Market</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P 288-292/ Assignment 5 Compositions with photo My favorite shop in shanghai and the shopping last week
Day 12	<b>Scenario Learning Dine in a Restaurant</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P398-413,417-451/ Assignment 6 Write an email inviting your friend(s) to a dinner
Day 13	<b>Scenario Learning Shop at a Department Store</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P178-181,319-326/ Assignment 7 Compositions with photo My weekend shopping at a Department Store
Day 14	<b>Scenario Learning Visit a university</b>	IRODORI:A1 Coursebook P332-335,393-394/ Assignment 8 Compositions with photo A Visit to a university

Day 15	<b>Scenario Learning Go to the Cinema</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P134-141/ Assignment 9 Compositions with photo My favorite film
Day 16	<b>Scenario Learning Visit a university</b>	Marugoto: A1 Coursebook P142-148/ Assignment 10 Compositions with photo A Visit to a university
Day 17	<b>Plan a trip to Japan 1</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P351-357,363-368 Group Assignment 5 Present a historic site of Japan
Day 18	<b>Plan a trip to Japan 2</b>	IRODORI: A1 Coursebook P499-504/ Group Assignment 6 Present my travelling plan for a visit to Japan
Day 19	<b>Course review Q &amp; A</b>	/
Day 20	<b>Final exam</b>	/