

Fall, 2013  
Japanese First Year 1010-2

**Time/Place:** M, T, W, R, F...9:30am~10:20am      EDUC130A

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**Teaching Materials:**

- Yookoso!: An Invitation to Contemporary Japanese Third Edition (2006) Yasu-Hiko Tohsaku, New York; McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (Available at the USU Bookstore or Amazon)
- Daily homework assignments, weekly course schedule and other resources are available on **Canvas. Check daily!** (Before the first assignment on Canvas, instruction will be given in class)

Welcome to Japanese 1010!

Japanese 1010 is the first basic course offered to students interested in Japanese communication, culture, and context. No prerequisite is required. In this course, you will learn basic skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing as well as the understanding of the culture relevant to language functions. You will also acquire positive attitudes toward learning various aspects of Japanese language and culture.

**Course Objectives**

Upon successful completion of this course, student will be able to do the following in simple Japanese.

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| ✓ Say everyday greeting, introduce yourself and your friends to someone else | ✓ Ask and tell information about quantities, numbers, prices, and time |
| ✓ Understand and use classroom expressions                                   | ✓ Talk about daily/future/past activities and events                   |
|  | ✓ Ask what something is  |
|  | ✓ Express likes and dislikes   |

- ✓ Make and respond to invitations, suggestions and apologies
- ✓ Talk about weekly schedules
- ✓ Talk about the weather
- ✓ Order a meal
- ✓ Ask, identify, and describe location and position
- ✓ Ask and express about existence and possession
- ✓ Identify things and people including nationalities and languages
- ✓ State and exchange personal information
- ✓ Describe things using adjectives and adverbs
- ✓ Talk about places around town, your hometown, and neighborhood
- ✓ Write sentences linked with simple connectors like ‘and’, ‘but’ and ‘because’
- ✓ Write a simple postcard
- ✓ Write numbers and dates, own name, nationality, address, age, date of birth or arrival in the country, etc. Such as on a hotel registration form.

**Grading:**

Grades will be determined based on:

Class Participation	15%
Tutoring Attendance	15%
Homework/Portfolio	15%
3 Chapter-Tests/Oral Interview	40%
Kana/Kanji/Chapter Quizzes	15%
Total	100%

94 –100%	A
90–93%	A-
87 –89%	B+
83 -89%	B
80 –82%	B-
77 –79%	C+
73 –76%	C
70 –72%	C-
60 –69%	D+
55 –59%	D
50 –54%	D-
Below 50%	F

Incomplete Grade: <http://www.usu.edu/policies/index.cfm?letter=G>

**Class Rules**

**1. Class participation policy:**

It is essential that you keep up with course work on a daily basis and participate all classes. You are responsible for any announcements made or information presented in class.

**2. Homework policy:**

All assignments are consistent to what you learn in the class on the day. It is important, therefore, to complete all assigned homework on the day for your progress. Late work may be submitted no later than one week after the deadline with 20% point deduction.

**3. Group-work policy:**

You are encouraged to work with your classmates on home assignments. However, you are not allowed to copy each other's homework. If you study together on your homework and decide on the same answers, please write down on the homework sheet, "I have worked with so-and-so to do this assignment," and both of you sign and date the work. Without this oath, the exact same homework sheets will be regard as dishonest copying; they will not only receive no credit for the work, but also will be reported to the School as a case of Academic Misconduct.

**4. Make-up policy:**

An opportunity to make-up on only one quiz or test will be given to all students regardless of reasons or excuse.

**5. Write neatly:**

Use a sharp pencil, and write and erase (with an eraser, not crossing out with pen) carefully. Learn to pay close attention to detail.

**6. No chewing gum or food in class:**

Food and drink are allowed only by special permission.

**7. Turn off or torn on silent mode your cellular phone** during the class unless you are expecting an extremely important phone call. If your cellular phone rings during class, the instructor will take your device away and return it to you after class. Please help keep the classroom a distraction-free learning environment.

Please respect each other and show consideration towards your classmates and instructor.

### **Tutoring Attendance (15%)**

Students are required to go to the tutoring room to practice sentence expressions and conversations with the tutors once a week. The tutoring room is located on the fourth floor of the Geology Building 415. It is closed during the first week. Students should start this learning activity some time during the second week. The instructor will announce the detailed drills in a file titled “the Weekly,” which will be posted on the Canvas at the beginning of each week. The activities with the tutors are important and helpful, especially, for the beginners, to become familiar with the Japanese sounds and improve their speaking and listening skills. Therefore, the tutors will sign when the students complete each assignment. The instructor will take a look at the tutors’ signs on the Weekly sheets and converted them into a portion of the students’ final grades.

### **Homework/Portfolio (15%)**

The instructor posts a file called “Kyoo-no Shukudai (Today’s homework)” on the Canvas. This is an everyday task that each student should turn in at the beginning of each class. When your homework is returned, please file it so that you can study before quizzes and chapter tests. The students have to write their answers neatly and consult the tutors or the instructor when they cannot find answers.

Students ought to create their portfolios, which contain the following items in order: 1) Weeklies (tutoring attendance sheets,) 2) Worksheet Assignments, 3) Hiragana/Katakana Practice Sheets, 4) Tests, 5) Quizzes, and 6) the other materials given in class. Each student should submit his/her portfolio when he/she takes the last chapter test during the finals week.

### **Three Chapter Tests**

Students are required to take three 50 minutes tests in class. Because the dates depend on how well the class activities go, they are tentative. Students will be informed when to take the test by the instructor later in class.

### **Hands-on Learning Activities**

In addition to the above, you are required to participate in a cooking activity. The detailed information, such as date and recipe, will be given later in class.