

LANG 1020 JAPANESE 101

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 100085

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Description This subject is an introduction to the Japanese language and some related culture. It is intended for beginner students only, who have never studied Japanese. This subject will cover the most basic level of the Japanese language in all four skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The Japanese characters covered in this subject include the hiragana and katakana. Students with a background of study in the language need to obtain advice on their appropriate level of language study. During the first two weeks of class, the lecturer will monitor the performance of students and advise students who need to transfer to a higher class. Students should consult the Languages Academic Course Advisor or Subject Coordinator if they are unsure of their entry level.

School Humanities & Comm Arts

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

Check your fees via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 1 subject

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. identify important characteristics of the Japanese language;
2. demonstrate basic skills in listening and speaking in Japanese;
3. apply these skills to interact, at a very basic level;
4. recognize and write basic Japanese characters (Hiragana and some Katakana);
5. demonstrate awareness of basic cultural information necessary for speaking the language.

Subject Content

An introduction to important characteristics of the Japanese language;
An introduction to some required elements of Japanese culture in relation to speaking the language;
Activities and tasks to develop fundamental grammatical forms at the beginner level;
Activities and tasks aimed at developing listening comprehension, speaking, reading and writing skills at beginner level;
An examination of the grammatical forms and vocabulary studied during the semester.

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this subject that you must meet in order to successfully complete this subject. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for your subject online.

Inherent Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/)

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are

regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Portfolio	800 Japanese characters	30	N	Individual	Y
Practical	1.5 hours	30	N	Individual	Y
Final Exam	2 hours	40	N	Individual	Y

Prescribed Texts

- Refer to Learning Guide, if any.

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2025)

Bankstown City

Hybrid

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=LANG1020_25-AUT_BK_3#subjects)

Penrith (Kingswood)

Hybrid

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=LANG1020_25-AUT_KW_3#subjects)

Online

Online

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=LANG1020_25-AUT_ON_2#subjects)

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

On-site

Subject Contact

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