

LANG 2054 JAPANESE 204: SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 102804

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Description This subject is undertaken concurrently with, or after, Japanese 203. It is designed to further develop and expand speaking and listening skills on the basis of grammatical structure introduced in Japanese 203 and increase the range of communicative transactions developed in Japanese 202 so that more sophisticated exchanges are possible when stating a plan or intention, making a suggestion, offering advice, indicating the degree of certainty, describing a change in state, indicating causes, using the passive and the imperative, etc. This subject will also present further aspects of contemporary Japanese culture and society. The subject is not suitable for background speakers (i.e., who have completed formal secondary education where Japanese is used as an official language and also the language of instruction at the School). NOTE: Students enrolling in this subject as part of a major or sub major in Japanese are encouraged to enrol in Japanese 203 at the same time.

School Humanities & Comm Arts

Discipline Eastern Asian Languages

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Equivalent Subjects LANG 2031 - Language Communication Skills 2B
Japanese LANG 2027 - Japanese 204

Assumed Knowledge

Japanese 201 and 202 or equivalent knowledge.

Learning Outcomes

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

1. Carry out conversation in such areas as stating a plan or intention, making a suggestion in the plain form, offering advice, indicating degree of certainty, describing a change in state, indicating causes, using the passive and the imperative.
2. Conduct a small research project and present the finding in oral and written Japanese on such topics as Japanese culture, customs and cross-cultural communication between Japan and Australia.
3. Use basic grammatical structures and vocabulary to carry out the exchanges stated above.
4. Demonstrate understanding of Japanese linguistic, pragmatic and cultural considerations when using Japanese.

Subject Content

Conversation needed for basic situations such as work, shopping, asking for information or explanations, what to say in troublesome situations.

Aspects of contemporary Japanese culture and society.

How to conduct and present a small research project on Japanese culture and society.

Listening practice of substantial passages and conversation.

Discourse pragmatics in Japanese oral interaction.

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	Equivalent to 1,000 words	30	N	Individual	Y
Applied Project	Equivalent to 1,000 words	30	N	Individual	Y
Intra-session Exam	2 hours maximum	40	N	Individual	Y

Teaching Periods

Spring (2025)

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

On-site

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