

LANG 3055 JAPANESE 305: ADVANCED READING AND WRITING

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 101971

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Description Students in this subject will further develop their competency in Japanese with a focus on reading and writing at an advanced level. The subject content is organised around communicative and cultural themes on Japanese society. To expose students to authentic language use, reading materials of different genres are selected from Japanese newspapers, magazines, Japanese language corpus and the internet. Acquisition of Kanji is accelerated through reading and writing tasks.

School Humanities & Comm Arts

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Assumed Knowledge

Japanese 203 and 204 or equivalent knowledge.

Learning Outcomes

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

1. demonstrate knowledge of Japanese grammar, lexicon and Kanji characters at an advanced level;
2. identify different styles and genres in written Japanese;
3. analyse and explain instances of deliberate ellipsis and conventional omission;
4. write short texts in Japanese in the genres discussed with appropriate expressions;
5. conduct a small comparative study of written discourse in Japanese and (an)other language(s).

Subject Content

Basic discourse styles of written Japanese text in genres such as emails, letters, newspaper articles and instructions.

Formal and informal expressions in the different settings mentioned above;

Advanced grammatical structures, vocabulary and Kanji characters needed for the discourse types mentioned above;

Ellipsis and topicalisation in Japanese written discourse;

Cultural issues related to or underpinning the language use in the texts discussed.

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 4,000 Japanese characters | 35 | N | Individual | Y |
| Applied Project | 10-20 minutes per student | 30 | N | Individual | Y |
| Intra-session Exam | Up to 2 hours | 35 | N | Individual | Y |

Prescribed Texts

- Kurahachi, J. (1997). Reading and Writing Skills in Japanese: Advanced. Tokyo: Kokin Shoin.

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/)