

COURSE LIST FOR THE JAPANESE MAJOR

(NOTE: JAPN 101, 201, and 301 are offered in the fall and Japanese 102, 202, and 302 are offered in the spring. JAPN 101, 102, 201, and 202 are also usually offered in the summer term.)

JAPN 101 Elementary Japanese I (6) Introduction to basic patterns of contemporary spoken Japanese and to the two phonetic syllabifies (Katakana and Hiragana).

JAPN 102 Elementary Japanese II (6) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 101 or permission of instructor. Continued introduction to the basic spoken patterns of contemporary Japanese.

JAPN 201 Intermediate Japanese I (6) Six hours of lecture a week. Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 102 or permission of instructor. Not open to students who have completed JAPN 205 and JAPN 206. Contemporary spoken and written Japanese.

JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II (6) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 201 or permission of instructor. Not open to students who have completed JAPN 203 and JAPN 204. Contemporary spoken and written Japanese.

JAPN 217 Japanese Literature in the Age of the Samurai; (3). CORE Literature (HL) Course. CORE Diversity (D) Course. Introduction to the masterworks of medieval Japanese literatures (c. 1200-1850) and to their intellectual and cultural backgrounds, focusing on prose fiction and drama.

JAPN298A Special Topics in Japanese Literature: Modern Japanese Fiction and Film in Translation (3) CORE Literature (HL) Course. An introduction to the fiction and film of modern (post 1868) Japan.

JAPN 301 Advanced Japanese I (6) Prerequisites: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 202 or permission of instructor. Advanced conversation, oral comprehension, and selected readings.

JAPN 302 Advanced Japanese II (6) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 301 or permission of instructor. Continued readings in varied modern texts and advanced conversation and oral comprehension

JAPN 307 Kanji and Composition (3) *Not open to fluent or native writers of Kanji.* Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN301 and permission of department. Study of Kanji in context; intensive writing practice.

JAPN 317 Buddhism and Japanese Literature in Translation (3) A study of the religious and philosophical traditions central to the Japanese imaginative life and literature from ancient to modern times.

JAPN386 Experiential Learning; (3-6 credits). Individual Instruction course: contact department or instructor to obtain section number. Prerequisite: Learning Proposal approved by the Office of Experiential Learning Programs, faculty sponsor, and student's internship sponsor. Junior standing.

JAPN 401 Readings in Modern Japanese I (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 302 or permission of instructor. Development of translation techniques, vocabulary, grammar, and reading speed. Readings in history, social sciences, modern literature, and modern newspaper and periodical literature.

JAPN 402 Readings in Modern Japanese II (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 401 or permission of instructor. Continuation of more advanced readings.

JAPN 403 Business Japanese I (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 302 or permission of instructor. Conversation, reading, and writing applicable to Japanese business transactions, social meetings, and meetings with government organizations, with background material in English on professional business practices and social customs associated with business.

JAPN 404 Business Japanese II (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 403 or permission of instructor. Continuation of JAPN 403.

JAPN 405 Readings in Advanced Modern Japanese (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 402 or permission of instructor. Designed to further improve reading and translation skills; the course will include readings from newspaper articles, literary works, and academic publications in the social sciences and humanities. Listening exercises are included.

JAPN 406 Translating Diplomatic Japanese (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 302 and permission of department. Formal, written, diplomatic Japanese to develop practical translation skills and to learn to use the computer as a telecommunications and translation workstation.

JAPN 411 Introduction to Classical Japanese (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 302 or equivalent. Classical Japanese grammar and the varied styles of classical Japanese. Readings in classical texts drawn from the Heian, Kamakura, Muromachi, and Edo periods

JAPN 412 Classical Japanese (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 411 or permission of instructor. Advanced classical Japanese.

JAPN 414 Masterpieces of Classical Japanese Literature in Translation (3) Major classics, with focus on philosophical, historical and cultural backgrounds.

JAPN 415 Modern Japanese Fiction in Translation (3) Major themes and literary developments in fiction from the late 19th century to the present. Emphasis on the works of Kawabata, Tanizaki, Mishima, and Abe. Satisfies the literature elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 416 Japanese Women and Women Writers (3) Fiction and Poetry by Japanese Women from the Ninth Century to the Present. Women's early role in creating and shaping a variety of literary genres, the silencing of women during the age of the shotguns, and the reemergence of a feminist tradition and women writers in the twentieth century. In English. Satisfies the literature elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 418 Japanese Literature in Translation (3) repeatable to 9 credits if content differs. Representative works of Japanese literature in translation. Satisfies the literature elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 421 History of the Japanese Language (3) Investigation of the origin of the Japanese language, its relationship with other languages, and its development. In English. Satisfies the linguistics elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 422 Introductory Japanese Linguistics (3) An investigation of Japanese sound patterns and syntax through a comparison with English. Satisfies the linguistics elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 428 Seminar in Japanese Discourse and Conversation Analysis (3) Prerequisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 302. Recommended: JAPN 422. Repeatable to 6 credits if content differs. Presentation and discussion of classic and current readings in English and Japanese on theories and actual practice of discourse and conversation analysis. Students will learn transcription techniques and have an opportunity to apply them in a final term paper. Satisfies the linguistics elective requirement for the major.

JAPN438S Topics in Japanese Pragmatics: Speech Acts (3) Pre-requisite: Grade of C (2.0) or better in JAPN 201. CORE Diversity (D) Course. Satisfies the linguistics elective requirement for the major.

JAPN 499 Directed Study in Japanese (1-3) Prerequisite: permission of the instructor. Repeatable to 6 credits if content differs.

History/Civilization courses

HIST 284 East Asian Civilization I (3) an interdisciplinary survey of the development of East Asian cultures. An historical approach drawing on all facets of East Asian traditional life, to gain an appreciation of the different and complex cultures of the area.

HIST 285 East Asian Civilization II (3) A survey of Historical development of Modern Asia since 1700. Primarily concerned with the efforts of East Asians to preserve their traditional cultures in the face of western expansion in the 18th and 19th centuries, and their attempts to survive as nations in the 20th century.

HIST 482 History of Japan to 1800 (3) Traditional Japanese civilization from the age of Shinto mythology and introduction of continental learning down to the rule of military families, the transition to a money economy, and the creation of townsmen's culture. A survey of political, economic, religious, and cultural history.

HIST 483 History of Japan since 1800 (3) Japan's renewed contact with the western world an emergence of a modern state, industrial society, and world power, 1800-1931; and Japan's road to war, occupation, and recovery, 1931 to the present.