ARTS2631 Course Outline

School of Humanities and Languages

ARTS2631, Intermediate Japanese B
Semester 2, 2015

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1. Course Staff and Contact Details

Course Convenor and Lecturer

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Consultation Time: Wednesday 10-12 (Subject to change)

Tutor

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2. Course Details

Units of Credit (UoC) 6 UOC

Course Description

This course is the continuation of ARTS2630 Intermediate Japanese A. It typically serves as the Year 2 gateway course for Japanese Studies major students. It serves a Year 1 gateway course for those students who have the equivalent knowledge of beginning-level Japanese language study. It is also open to other students as a Japanese studies minor, free elective and General Education if they satisfy the course prerequisite. The course will focus on Japanese communication in upper beginners level through different topics that are related to daily life. It provides students with a general understanding of Japanese sentence structure, vocabulary including 150 kanji, pragmatics of Japanese communication together with a number of sociocultural issues. Student without completing ARTS2630 should fill in the online placement questionnaire at https://hal.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/courses/language-placements. Contact the course coordinator if the online placement site is already closed.

Course Aims

1. This course will enable students to develop an informed understanding of Japanese experiences, culture, society and world views as well as further developing beginners’ Japanese interactive skills achieved in ARTS1630 (JAPN1000) and ARTS1631 (JAPN1001) and ARTS2630 (JAPN2000) towards intermediate level.

2. This course will prepare students to become competent communicator in Japanese in anticipated Australia-Japan contact situations in Australia as well as in Japan in more formal/semi professional level.

At the successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Communicate and interact well in Japanese ultimately at the professional level in a manner which is culturally, functionally and structurally appropriate.

2. Acquire skills of intercultural communication in general and towards Japan and the Japanese in particular.


4. Acquire knowledge of Japanese communication style.

5. Develop both linguistic and paralinguistic skills.

6. Narrate and describe events at the discourse level by linking sentences together smoothly into meaningful chunks in both writing and speaking.

7. Develop awareness of cultural differences between Japan and Australia/country of one’s own, and become tolerant to the differences.

8. Develop essay writing skills as well as public presentation skills in Japanese.
9. Establish positive interpersonal relationships with the Japanese.

Graduate Attributes

The student will be encouraged to develop the following Graduate Attributes by undertaking the selected activities and knowledge content. These attributes will be assessed within the prescribed assessment tasks.

1. the skills involved in scholarly enquiry in Japanese-based disciplinary studies,
2. an in-depth engagement with disciplinary knowledge via the Japanese language,
3. the capacity for analytical and critical thinking and for creative problem-solving in Japanese Studies,
4. the ability to engage in independent and reflective learning in Japanese Studies,
5. a respect for ethical practice and social responsibility,
6. the skills of effective communication in both English and Japanese,
7. information literacy in Japanese Studies,
8. an appreciation of, and a respect for, diversity in language and culture,
9. the skills required for collaborative and multidisciplinary work,
10. a capacity to contribute to, and work within, the international community.

3. Learning and Teaching Rationale

Lectures deliver first, the social and cultural issues related to the content of the week (LO 1,2,4,5,7), and second, explanation and discussion of new grammatical structures/expressions as well as kanji, that are essential to the topic of the week (LO 1,2,4,5,8). The lecture is delivered mainly in English with Japanese/English slides in order for students to fully understand the content of the week. Tutorials provide students with (1) explicit practice of reading that reflects on the content of the lecture (LO 1,2,5,6,7,8), (2) gives an opportunity to discuss what they have read (LO 1,2,3,5,7,8), and (3) practice of interaction in Japanese: students put the knowledge gained in the lecture into practice in a number of exercises, then apply what they learnt to real communication with the teacher and peers (LO 1,2,4,5,7,8,9).

Tutorials are delivered mainly in Japanese to develop students’ listening skills and encourage them to communicate in Japanese (LO 4,5). While setting the above face-to-face classes, the course actively uses Moodle (not Blackboard). One part of the Moodle content is for assessment purpose and the other components, including supplemental learning resources and discussion topics, strongly encourage students to become autonomous learners of Japanese communication (LO 1,2,3,4,5,7).

4. Teaching Strategies

See 3 above. The topics covered in the course includes:
1. Asking for favours
2. Culture and Customs
3. Complaints
4. Employment
5. The environment and society

While studying language, the thematic focus gives students the opportunity to understand current sociocultural issues in Japan, and to apply this to their own culture as they discuss similarities and differences.
5. Course Assessment

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<th>Assessment Task</th>
<th>Quantity</th>
<th>Weight</th>
<th>Learning Outcomes Assessed</th>
<th>Graduate Attributes Assessed</th>
<th>Due Date</th>
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<td>15%</td>
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<td>1,4,6</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,5,6,7</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,6</td>
<td>Exam period</td>
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<td>Project (see the course notes for further information)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>50%</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10</td>
<td>W1-13</td>
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<td>Resource Blog entry</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,5,6,7</td>
<td>1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10</td>
<td>At least one entry during W2-W9</td>
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**Please Note:** The Arts and Social Sciences Protocols and Guidelines state:

A student who attends less than 80% of the classes/activities and has not submitted appropriate supporting documentation to the Course Authority to explain their absence may be awarded a grade of UF (Unsatisfactory Fail).

The Attendance Guidelines can be found in full at: [https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/Protocols-Guidelines/](https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/Protocols-Guidelines/)

**Formal Examination**

This course has a formal examination which will be scheduled in the formal examination period from 6 – 24 November 2015. Students are expected to give their studies priority and this includes making themselves available for the entire examination period. Travel commitments made prior to the publication of the final examination timetable are not a valid reason for alternate assessment.

For information about examination dates, location and procedures at UNSW, visit: [https://student.unsw.edu.au/exams](https://student.unsw.edu.au/exams)

**Grades**

All results are reviewed at the end of each semester and may be adjusted to ensure equitable marking across the School.

The proportion of marks lying in each grading range is determined not by any formula or quota system, but by the way that students respond to assessment tasks and how well they meet the objectives of the course. Nevertheless, since higher grades imply performance that is well above average, the number of distinctions and high distinctions awarded in a typical course is relatively small. At the other extreme, on average 6.1% of students do not meet minimum standards and a little more (8.6%) in first year courses. For more information on the grading categories see: [https://student.unsw.edu.au/grades](https://student.unsw.edu.au/grades)

**Submission of Assessment Tasks**

All of the course assessment tasks are to be submitted online via Moodle unless otherwise advised. Assignments must be submitted before 4:00pm on the due date. Assignments posted after this time will be marked as having been received late. **Student must check own**
device and network environment carefully before the submission due. Technical problem is not always regarded as a legitimate reason for late submission.

Late Submission of Assignments

The Arts and Social Sciences late submissions guidelines state the following:

- An assessed task is deemed late if it is submitted after the specified time and date as set out in the course Learning Management System (LMS).
- The late penalty is the **loss of 3%** of the total possible marks for the task for each day or part thereof the work is late.
- Work submitted **14 days after** the due date will be marked and feedback provided but no mark will be recorded. If the work would have received a pass mark but the lateness and the work is a compulsory course component a student will be deemed to have met that requirement. This does not apply to a task that is assessed but no mark is awarded.
- Work submitted **21 days after** the due date will not be accepted for marking or feedback and will receive no mark or grade. If the assessment task is a compulsory component of the course a student will automatically fail the course.

The Late Submissions Guidelines can be found in full at:  
https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/Protocols-Guidelines/

The penalty may not apply where students are able to provide documentary evidence of illness or serious misadventure. Time pressure resulting from undertaking assignments for other courses does not constitute an acceptable excuse for lateness.

6. Extension of Time for Submission of Assessment Tasks

The **Arts and Social Sciences Extension Guidelines** apply to all assessed tasks regardless of whether or not a grade is awarded, except the following:

1. any form of test/examination/assessed activity undertaken during regular class contact hours
2. any task specifically identified by the Course Authority (the academic in charge of the course) in the Course Outline or Learning Management System (LMS), for example, Moodle, as not available for extension requests.

The complete Arts and Social Sciences Extension Guidelines can be read [here](https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/Protocols-Guidelines/).

If you wish to request an extension for submission of an assessment task you need to do so via myUNSW using the **Special Consideration** section. You will need to submit documentary evidence in support of your request.

A student who missed an assessment activity held within class contact hours should apply for Special Consideration via myUNSW.
7. Attendance

The Arts and Social Sciences Attendance Guidelines state the following:

- A student is expected to attend all class contact hours for a face-to-face or blended course and complete all activities for a blended or fully online course.

- If a student is unable to attend all classes for a course due to timetable clashes, the student must complete the Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences Permitted Timetable Clash form (see information at Item 8 below). A student unable to attend lectures in a course conducted by the School of Education can apply for “Permission to Participate in Lectures Online”.

- Where practical, a student’s attendance will be recorded. Individual course outlines/LMS will set out the conditions under which attendance will be measured.

- A student who arrives more than 15 minutes late may be penalised for non-attendance. If such a penalty is imposed, the student must be informed verbally at the end of class and advised in writing within 24 hours.

- If a student experiences illness, misadventure or other occurrence that makes absence from a class/activity unavoidable, or expects to be absent from a forthcoming class/activity, they should seek permission from the Course Authority, and where applicable, should be accompanied by an original or certified copy of a medical certificate or other form of appropriate evidence.

- Reserve members of the Australian Defence Force who require absences of more than two weeks due to full-time service may be provided an exemption. The student may also be permitted to discontinue enrolment without academic or financial penalty.

- If a Course Authority rejects a student’s request for absence from a class or activity the student must be advised in writing of the grounds for the rejection.

- A Course Authority may excuse a student from classes or activities for up to one month. However, they may assign additional and/or alternative tasks to ensure compliance.

- A Course Authority considering the granting of absence must be satisfied a student will still be able to meet the course’s learning outcomes and/or volume of learning.

- A student seeking approval to be absent for more than one month must apply in writing to the Dean and provide all original or certified supporting documentation.

- The Dean will only grant such a request after consultation with the Course Authority to ensure that measures can be organised that will allow the student to meet the course’s learning outcomes and volume of learning.

- A student who attends less than 80% of the classes/activities and has not submitted appropriate supporting documentation to the Course Authority to explain their absence may be awarded a final grade of UF (Unsatisfactory Fail).

- A student who has submitted the appropriate documentation but attends less than 66% of the classes/activities will be asked by the Course Authority to apply to discontinue the course without failure rather than be awarded a final grade of UF. The final decision as to whether a student can be withdrawn without fail is made by Student Administration and Records.

Students who falsify their attendance or falsify attendance on behalf of another student will be dealt with under the Student Misconduct Policy.
8. Class Clash

Students who are enrolled in an Arts and Social Sciences program (single or dual) and have an unavoidable timetable clash can apply for permissible timetable clash by completing an online application form. Students must meet the rules and conditions in order to apply for permissible clash. The rules and conditions can be accessed online in full at: https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/media/FASSFile/Permissible_Clash_Rules.pdf

For students who are enrolled in a non-Arts and Social Sciences program, they must seek advice from their home faculty on permissible clash approval.

9. Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Plagiarism is presenting someone else’s thoughts or work as your own. It can take many forms, from not having appropriate academic referencing to deliberate cheating.

In many cases plagiarism is the result of inexperience about academic conventions. The University has resources and information to assist you to avoid plagiarism.

The Learning Centre assists students with understanding academic integrity and how to not plagiarise. Information is available on their website: https://student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism/. They also hold workshops and can help students one-on-one.

If plagiarism is found in your work when you are in first year, your lecturer will offer you assistance to improve your academic skills. They may ask you to look at some online resources, attend the Learning Centre, or sometimes resubmit your work with the problem fixed. However, more serious instances in first year, such as stealing another student’s work or paying someone to do your work, may be investigated under the Student Misconduct Procedures.

Repeated plagiarism (even in first year), plagiarism after first year, or serious instances, may also be investigated under the Student Misconduct Procedures. The penalties under the procedures can include a reduction in marks, failing a course or for the most serious matters (like plagiarism in an Honours thesis) or even suspension from the university. The Student Misconduct Procedures are available here: http://www.gs.unsw.edu.au/policy/documents/studentmisconductprocedures.pdf

10. Course Schedule (subject to change: check announcement on Moodle)

To view course timetable, please visit: http://www.timetable.unsw.edu.au/

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<td>*Course Introduction</td>
<td>Chapter 4 exercise</td>
<td>Public speech project detail will be announced in class. Read the course notes</td>
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<td>*Chapter 4: Asking for favours</td>
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<td>2 Aug 3</td>
<td>Chapter 4 continues</td>
<td>*Chapter 4 exercise</td>
<td>Resource Blog Entry will be accepted between W2 and W9</td>
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<td>*Talking about the speech topic</td>
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<td>Chapter 9: Culture and customs</td>
<td>*Chapter 9 exercise</td>
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<td>Chapter 10 continues</td>
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<td>Chapter 11 Employment</td>
<td>Group Interaction test</td>
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<td>Chapter 11 continues</td>
<td>Chapter 11 exercise</td>
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<td>comment and feedback until W13</td>
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<td>10 Oct 5</td>
<td>No lecture and No tutorial classes this week</td>
<td>Keep up with your project</td>
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<td>11 Oct 12</td>
<td>Chapter 8 Environment and Society</td>
<td>Chapter 8 exercise</td>
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<td>12 Oct 19</td>
<td>Chapter 8 continues</td>
<td>*Public Speech Day1</td>
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<td>13 Oct 26</td>
<td>Chapter 8 and Course wrap-up</td>
<td>*Public Speech Day2</td>
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<td>*Submission of the project due on Fri (Oct 30) at 4pm</td>
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11. Course Resources

**Textbook Details**

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2. **NAKAMA2** second edition *Student Workbook Activities Manual*.

3. **NAKAMA2** online resources (access code given upon purchase of a set textbook).

4. **ARTS2631 Intermediate Japanese B Course Notes**

**Websites:** Course LMS: Moodle (access via myUNSW for single sign on)

12. Course Evaluation and Development
Courses are periodically reviewed and students' feedback is used to improve them. Feedback is gathered using various means including UNSW's Course and Teaching Evaluation and Improvement (CATEI) process.

### 13. Student Support

The Learning Centre is available for individual consultation and workshops on academic skills. Find out more by visiting the Centre's website at:

http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au

### 14. Grievances

All students should be treated fairly in the course of their studies at UNSW. Students who feel they have not been dealt with fairly should, in the first instance, attempt to resolve any issues with their tutor or the course convenors.

If such an approach fails to resolve the matter, the School of Humanities and Languages has an academic member of staff who acts as a Grievance Officer for the School. This staff member is identified on the notice board in the School of Humanities and Languages. Further information about UNSW grievance procedures is available at:

https://student.unsw.edu.au/complaints

### 15. Other Information

**myUNSW**

myUNSW is the online access point for UNSW services and information, integrating online services for applicants, commencing and current students and UNSW staff. To visit myUNSW please visit either of the below links:

https://my.unsw.edu.au

https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/atoz/ABC.html

**OHS**

UNSW's Occupational Health and Safety Policy requires each person to work safely and responsibly, in order to avoid personal injury and to protect the safety of others. For all matters relating to Occupational Health, Safety and environment, see

https://www.ohs.unsw.edu.au/

**Special Consideration**

In cases where illness or other circumstances produce repeated or sustained absence, students should apply for Special Consideration as soon as possible.

The application must be made via Online Services in myUNSW. Log into myUNSW and go to My Student Profile tab > My Student Services channel > Online Services > Special Consideration.

Applications on the grounds of illness must be filled in by a medical practitioner. Further information is available at:

https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration
Student Equity and Disabilities Unit

Students who have a disability that requires some adjustment in their learning and teaching environment are encouraged to discuss their study needs with the course convener prior to or at the commencement of the course, or with the Student Equity Officers (Disability) in the Student Equity and Disabilities Unit (9385 4734). Information for students with disabilities is available at: http://www.studentequity.unsw.edu.au/

Issues that can be discussed may include access to materials, signers or note-takers, the provision of services and additional examination and assessment arrangements. Early notification is essential to enable any necessary adjustments to be made.