

JAPANESE (JPNS)

JPNS 101 - Elementary Japanese I. 5 Credits.

Offered autumn. Understanding of grammar and basic sentence structures are taught as a foundation for oral comprehension. The students will learn Hiragana and Katakana, two syllabic writing systems, and approximately 400 Kanji ideographs.

JPNS 102 - Elementary Japanese II. 5 Credits.

Offered spring. Prereq., JPNS 101. Continuation of 101.
Gen Ed Attributes: Foreign Language Requirement

JPNS 150H - Japanese Cult & Civiliz. 3 Credits.

Offered intermittently. Same as AS and LS 210H. The historical, religious, artistic, literary and social developments in Japan from earliest times to the present.

Gen Ed Attributes: Historical Studies, Cultural Intl Diversity (X)

JPNS 191 - Special Topics. 1-9 Credits.

(R?9) Offered spring. Experimental offerings of visiting professors, experimental offerings of new courses, or one?time offerings of current topics.

JPNS 201 - Intermediate Japanese I. 5 Credits.

Offered autumn. Prereq., JPNS 102 or equiv. Reading and writing kanji; building oral/aural fluency.

Gen Ed Attributes: Foreign Language Requirement

JPNS 202 - Intermediate Japanese II. 5 Credits.

Offered spring. Prereq., JPNS 201 or equiv. Continuation of JPNS 201.

Gen Ed Attributes: Foreign Language Requirement

JPNS 291 - Special Topics. 1-9 Credits.

(R?9) Offered intermittently. Experimental offerings of visiting professors, experimental offerings of new courses, or one?time offerings of current topics.

JPNS 292 - Independent Study. 1-6 Credits.

(R?6) Offered autumn and spring. Course material appropriate to the needs and objectives of the individual student.

JPNS 301 - Advanced Japanese. 4 Credits.

Offered autumn. Prereq., JPNS 202 or equiv. Development of greater reading and speaking proficiency. Vocabulary enhancement and kanji (Chinese characters) are emphasized.

Gen Ed Attributes: Foreign Language Requirement

JPNS 302 - Advanced Japanese. 4 Credits.

Offered spring. Prereq., JPNS 301 or equiv. Continuation of 301.

Gen Ed Attributes: Foreign Language Requirement

JPNS 306 - Japanese for Business/Tour. 3 Credits.

Offered autumn alternate years. Prereq., JPNS 202 or equiv. Vocabulary and idiom of oral and written communication in business and tourism. Professional, ethical practices and special etiquette.

JPNS 311 - Jpns Clasc Lit Engl Trans. 3 Credits.

Offered intermittently. Prereq., WRIT 101 or equivalent, and one intermediate writing course. Introduction to the classical literature of the Japanese court, ca. 7th to 14th century. Kojiki, Man'yoshu, Kokinshu, Genji Monogatari, and other major classics of the period.

Gen Ed Attributes: Writing Course-Advanced

JPNS 312 - Jpns Lit Medieval to Mod. 3 Credits.

Offered spring alternate years. Prereq., WRIT 101 or equivalent, and one intermediate writing course. Introduction to the literature of Japan from the 15th to the 20th century.

Gen Ed Attributes: Writing Course-Advanced

JPNS 371 - Japanese Film and Anime. 3 Credits.

This course introduces students to salient events in the hundred-year history of Japanese cinema, including the age of silent film, the golden age of film directors, the New Wave, and contemporary Japanese cinema. Students will learn about Japanese cinema as the artistic expression of individual directors; they will gain a better understanding of the history of Japanese society and popular culture; and they will appreciate some of the reasons for the long-standing interest in Japan in the history of Western film studies.

JPNS 390 - Research. 1-12 Credits.

Offered intermittently. Paid work experience in Japan, combined with language/culture course work by correspondence directed by UM department staff.

JPNS 391 - Special Topics. 1-12 Credits.

(R?12) Offered intermittently. Experimental offerings of visiting professors, experimental offerings of new courses, or one?time offerings of current topics.

JPNS 392 - Independent Study. 1-6 Credits.

(R?6) Offered autumn and spring. Course material appropriate to the needs and objectives of the individual student.

JPNS 398 - Internship. 1-6 Credits.

Offered intermittently. Prereq., consent of department. Extended classroom experience which provides practical application of classroom learning during placements off campus. Prior approval must be obtained from the faculty supervisor and the Internship Services office. A maximum of 6 credits of Internship (198, 298, 398, 498) may count toward graduation.

JPNS 411 - Mod Jpns Wrtrs/Thinkers. 3 Credits.

(R?6) Offered autumn or spring. Prereq., JPNS 202. Introduction to the important writers, thinkers, and poets of the 20th century. Readings include a wide range of topics in the humanities, including literature, philosophy, and the arts.

JPNS 412 - Intro Classical Japanese. 3 Credits.

Offered intermittently. Prereq., JPNS 202. Introduction to the language of the Japanese court, ca. 7th to 14th century. Essential features of grammar, sentence structure, vocabulary, and orthography.

JPNS 415 - Adv Jpns for Professionals. 3 Credits.

Offered spring even?numbered years. Prereq., JPNS 202. A high?level professional language course covering all coordinated reading, writing, and speaking skills. Intended for majors hoping to enter the Japanese job market and prepare for professional testing in Japan.

JPNS 431 - Post-War Japanese Lit. 3 Credits.

Offered spring odd?numbered years. Introduction to issues, literature, and criticism of Japanese literature from the postwar (1945) through the contemporary period, using texts in English translation.

JPNS 491 - Special Topics. 1-9 Credits.

(R?9) Offered intermittently. Experimental offerings of visiting professors, experimental offerings of new courses, or one?time offerings of current topics.

JPNS 492 - Independent Study. 1-6 Credits.

(R?6) Offered autumn and spring. Course material appropriate to the needs and objectives of the individual student.