

日本語 1020

Japanese 1020: Elementary Japanese II

University of North Texas --- Fall 2026

Instructor & Office Hours:

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Sections & Times:

Class:

<i>Section</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Classroom</i>	<i>Instructor</i>
001	M / W / F	10:10-11:00	LANG 312	Ayako Yoshimura
002	M / W / F	12:20-1:10	LANG 305	Ryan Redmond

Lab:

<i>Section</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Classroom</i>	<i>Instructor</i>
301	Wednesday	2:30-3:20	LANG 107A	Rin Fabian
302	Thursday	2:30-3:20	LANG 107A	Kotomi Nishihara

This is a three-credit course that meets four times a week. In class (Monday, Wednesday & Friday), your main instructor will introduce new material and give written and oral exams. In lab (Thursday), your lab instructor will take you through practice of what has been covered in class with a focus on speaking. In addition, you can expect to spend at least 6 hours per week studying outside of class.

Course Eligibility:

This course is for students who have completed one semester of college-level Japanese. Students who have studied Japanese informally or in high school must take the placement test as proof of prerequisite. Contact the Department of World Languages, Literatures & Cultures for more information.

Department of World Languages,
Literatures & Cultures
LANG 101, 940-565-2404
General inquiries, placement exam,
lost & found

Required Materials:

- Textbook: Genki I -- An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese (3rd Edition)
**Due to the copyright issues, digital versions are not accepted in class.*

Course Description & Objectives:

This course introduces the four basic skills of Japanese -- speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Students will gain a solid foundation in Japanese grammar and develop practical written and oral communication skills.

At the end of this class you will be able to:

- Read and write 115 new kanji characters: JAPN1010 (61) + JAPN1020 (115) = 176 total
- Talk about family and describe people's appearances
- Talk about vacation plans, past experiences, etc.
- Quote what a person said
- Give opinions
- Describe health conditions and give advice
- Use informal speech when appropriate
- Read and write basic letters, essays, etc.

Grading Scale:

90-100% = A 80-89% = B 70-79% = C 60-69% = D 59% or below = F

Grading:

Class Participation	15%
Lab Participation	5%
Assignments	20%
Vocab Quizzes	5%
Kanji Quizzes	5%
Chapter Tests	20%
Skit/Writing	10%
Final Exam	20%

Friday, November 6, 2026
Last day to drop the course

If you submit your drop paperwork by this date, you will receive a W on your transcript, which will not be calculated into your GPA.

<https://registrar.unt.edu/registration/Fall-registration-guide>

Class & Lab Participation

Both class attendance and lab attendance are mandatory and absolutely essential to your success in learning Japanese. Full participation credit (10 points per class) will be given to those who are present for the entire class period, prepared for class, and fully participating in all activities. Partial attendance or lack of participation will result in deduction of points. You will get 3 free class absences and 1 free lab absence. Absences will only be excused in the case of university-sponsored activities, religious holidays, military service, or extended

illness with documentation (by permission of the program coordinator after the free absences have been used). It is not necessary to provide excuses for other absences. After 3 unexcused absences, regardless of reasons with/without appropriate documents, you will lose 10 points for each absence. See the UNT attendance policy for details at <http://policy.unt.edu/policy/15-2-5>. If you miss a class, follow the schedule and use the materials on Canvas to keep up. (Note for TAMS students: If you are absent for any reason, you are required to file an absence report with Dr. Gruver of the TAMS Academic Office.)

Assignments

Assignments will consist of worksheets done before class in order to preview the material for class each day and prepare yourself to participate fully.

Don't copy! The assignments are important practice and should show your attempts and corrections. Copying from the key or from another classmate is both unethical and counterproductive to your learning.

Late assignments will be accepted only the next class day for partial credit. Your 3 lowest homework grades will be dropped.

Quizzes

There will be three quizzes per chapter quizzes, eighteen quizzes over the course of the semester, over vocabulary and kanji. There are no make-ups for quizzes, but your three lowest quiz scores will be dropped.

Chapter Tests

There will be two chapter tests, which cover every two chapters: chapters 7-8 and chapters 9-10. Chapter tests focus on the grammar of the two chapters, but also include both new and review vocabulary and characters. Each chapter test will include a listening section. If you are absent on the day of the chapter test **one time**, you may contact your instructor to make it up without listening sections (about -10 %). No excuse or doctor's note is required; however, you are responsible for being the one to contact your instructor in this case. After you have missed one test, you will no longer be able to make up tests, so make sure to look at the schedule and plan in advance.

Skit and Writing Practice

In the first half of the semester, you will be asked to work with a partner to write and perform a skit. In the second half, you will complete a writing assignment where you write about a place in Japan that you would like to travel to and what you would like to do there. The skit and writing will measure your ability to communicate in Japanese.

Final Exam

There will be a cumulative final exam at the end of the course covering Ch. 7–12. Part of the exam will be multiple-choice and part will be written, including a one-paragraph essay. Please bring a Scantron sheet (882-E), #2 pencils, and an eraser to the exam. The exam is in the usual classroom.

Sexual Discrimination, Harassment, & Assault

UNT is committed to providing an environment free of all forms of discrimination and sexual harassment, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. If you (or someone you know) has experienced or experiences any of these acts of aggression, please know that you are not alone. The federal Title IX law makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses. UNT has staff members trained to support you in navigating campus life, accessing health and counseling services, providing academic and housing accommodations, helping with legal protective orders, and more.

UNT's Dean of Students' website offers a range of on-campus and off-campus resources to help support survivors, depending on their unique needs:

<https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/dean-of-students>.

The UNT Survivor Advocates can be reached by emailing SurvivorAdvocate@unt.edu or calling 940-565-2648. The UNT Survivor Advocates connect students who have been impacted by violence to resources (counseling, health, safety, academics, legal, etc.), and act as their advocate. They can assist a student by filing protective orders, completing crime victim's compensation applications, contacting professors for absences related to an assault, working with housing to facilitate a room change (if needed), and connecting students to the many other resources that are available, both on and off campus. They are here to help! For more information see <https://deanofstudents.unt.edu/sexual-misconduct/reporting-sexual-misconduct>.

Resources, Extra Help & Disability Accommodation

UNT endeavors to offer you a high-quality education and to provide a supportive environment to help you learn and grow. And, as a faculty member, I am committed to helping you be successful as a student. To learn more about campus resources and information on how you can achieve success, go to <https://www.unt.edu/success>.

Program Information

Major in Japanese: The major consists of the six (6) foundational courses (JAPN 1010, 1020, 2040, 2050, 3020, and 3030) and seven (7) advanced courses, at least 3 of which must be at the 4000 level. All courses require a grade of C or higher.

Minor in Japanese: The minor consists of seven (7) courses (JAPN 1010, 1020, 2040, 2050, 3020, 3030 and one more course at the 3000 or 4000 level). All courses require a grade of C or higher.

Certificate in Japanese: The Certificate of Achievement in Japanese consists of eight (8) courses (JAPN 1010, 1020, 2040, 2050, 3020, 3030, 4020 and 4030). All courses require a grade of C or higher.

For more information about the Japanese program, including the major, minor, and certificate of achievement, contact the Japanese program coordinator:

Name: Yayoi Takeuchi

Office Location: 405B

Phone Number: 940-565-2404

Office Hours: Monday 2:30-4:30; Tuesday 1:30-3:30

Email: yayoi.takeuchi@unt.edu

Honor Society: UNT has a chapter of the Japanese National Honor Society (JNHS). The mission of the society is to recognize our outstanding students and encourage their scholastic achievement and excellence in the study of Japanese language. In addition, we aim to promote ways for students to use Japanese on campus and in the community.

Certificates of Excellence and red-and-white cords to wear at graduation will be given to students who are granted membership in the society. The following is the criteria for the membership of JNHS in addition to the active participation in Japanese Honor Society, a student organization by invitation for activities and individual projects. For information, email: yayoi.takeuchi@unt.edu

Study Abroad

UNT Japanese program strongly encourages students to have an opportunity to study abroad in Japan. We have currently four direct exchanges set up in Japan: Kansai Gaidai University (Osaka), Nagasaki University of Foreign Study (Nagasaki), Nanzan University (Nagoya), and Ritsumeikan University (Kyoto).

The Study Abroad Office helps students find placements in Japan for one semester or an academic year. The beauty of these programs is that you can study in Japan at close to the same cost as studying at UNT.

For more information, visit the Study Abroad office in Marquis Hall (Room 145), check out their website and attend one of their “Study Abroad 101” sessions. You can contact yayoi.takeuchi@unt.edu for further details.

There are also several opportunities for summer study in Japan at various levels. This website maintains a good list.

Office Hours

Office hours offer you an opportunity to ask for clarification or find support with understanding class material. I encourage you to contact your instructor for support. Your success is our goal. Visit your instructor during office hours for individual help or study suggestions. If the scheduled times don't work for you, email for an appointment.

Canvas Site

You can download the PowerPoint from each lesson from our class site on Canvas. You will also find helpful links, activities, etc. Log in at: <https://unt.instructure.com>.

Tutors

The Department of World Languages, Literatures & Cultures provides free tutoring. See Canvas for times and starting date. Tutoring goes through pre-finals week.

Also, the Learning Center has volunteer tutors that will work with you individually at no charge. Request a tutor at: <http://learningcenter.unt.edu/volunteertutoring>.

Language Lab

The Language Lab (LANG 105) has movies, magazines, and computer programs that you will find helpful for individual study. The language lab is equipped for typing in Japanese.

Willis Library

The Willis Library has quite a few resources for additional study. The "Japanese Graded Readers" are particularly recommended. Browse through the area on the third floor around PL539!

Disability Accommodation

The University of North Texas makes reasonable accommodation for students with disabilities. Students needing a reasonable academic accommodations must first register with the Office of Disability Access (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the student will request their letter of accommodation. ODA will provide faculty with a reasonable accommodation letter via email to begin a private discussion regarding a student's specific needs in a course. Students may request reasonable accommodations at any time, however, ODA notices of reasonable accommodation should be provided as early as possible in the semester to avoid any delay in implementation. Note that students must obtain a new letter of reasonable accommodation for every semester and must meet with each faculty member prior to implementation in each class. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with faculty regarding their accommodations during office hours or by appointment. Faculty members have the authority to ask students to discuss such letters during their designated office hours to protect the privacy of the student. For additional information, refer to the Office of Disability Access website at <https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/office-disability-access>. You may also contact ODA by phone at (940) 565-4323.

Support

UNT strives to offer you a high-quality education and a supportive environment, so you learn and grow. As a faculty member, I am committed to helping you be successful as a student. To learn more about campus resources and information on how you can be successful at UNT, go to <https://unt.edu/success> and explore <https://unt.edu/wellness>. To get all your enrollment and student financial-related questions answered, go to <https://scrappysays.unt.edu>.

Academic Honesty

Students who use other people's work without citations will be violating UNT's Academic Integrity Policy. Please read and follow this important set of guidelines for your academic success (<https://policy.unt.edu/policy/06-003>). If you have questions about this, or any UNT policy, please email your instructor or come discuss.

Homework assignments and tests should be true representations of your effort and learning. Plagiarism (i.e., copying another person's work and presenting it as your own work) or cheating (i.e., providing answers for someone else or getting answers from someone else) are prohibited. In addition, we ask that no online translation tools are used when completing writing assignments. Consequences of any breach of academic integrity may include lowering of grade and/or failure of the assignment and/or the course.

Student Perceptions of Teaching (SPOT)

Student feedback is important and an essential part of participation in this course. The student evaluation of instruction is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. The short SPOT survey will be made available November 18 – December 5 to provide you with an opportunity to evaluate how this course is taught. For the Fall 2024 semester, you will receive an email on November 18 (12:01 a.m.) from "UNT SPOT Course Evaluations via IASystem Notification" (no-reply@iasystem.org) with the survey link. Please look for the email in your UNT email inbox. Simply click on the link and complete your survey. Once you complete the survey, you will receive a confirmation email that the survey has been submitted. For additional information, please visit the spot website at <https://vpaa.unt.edu/spot> or email spot@unt.edu. We work to continually improve our courses, so we appreciate your feedback!

Emergency Class Cancellation

In the event of a class cancellation due to the weather, illness, or other emergency, you should follow the instructions announced on Canvas by your instructor and/or the coordinator. Since our course schedule is so packed, we will deviate as little as possible from the schedule. You should look through the PowerPoint online and complete your homework following the schedule in the syllabus. Any quiz or test would be postponed until the next class meeting unless otherwise announced. We will communicate any schedule changes on Canvas, so check for announcements there.

Class Schedule: 1020 (Subject to change)

	Date	Lesson Contents	Quizzes and Tests	Kanji	Homework (Due in class)
Lesson 1	8/17 月	Course introduction Chs. 1-6 Review			
Lesson 2	8/19 水	Ch. 7 Vocabulary ⑥～にん: Counting people ①～ている: Talking about ongoing actions		田男 女子	☐ しゅくだい 1
Lab 1	8/19, 20 水、木	て form review Ch. 7 Vocabulary ①～ている: Ongoing actions			
Lesson 3	8/21 金	①～ている: Talking about ongoing actions ②～ている: Talking about resultant states	Vocab Quiz 7A	母父	☐ しゅくだい 2
Lesson 4	8/24 月	④ Joining sentences with て form Extra expressions: ③ Describing specific features		兄弟 姉妹	☐ しゅくだい 3
Lesson 5	8/26 水	Ch. 7 Practice ④ Joining sentences with て form	Vocab Quiz 7B	大小高	☐ しゅくだい 4
Lab 2	8/26, 27 水、木	Ch. 7 Practice			
Lesson 6	8/28 金	Ch. 7 Review ⑤～に行く: Going somewhere for a purpose	Kanji Quiz 1		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 1
Lesson 7	8/31 月	Ch. 8 Vocabulary ① Short forms (present affirmative and negative)		口目	☐ しゅくだい 5
Lesson 8	9/2 水	② Uses of short forms: informal speech		言話 語思	☐ しゅくだい 6
Lab 3	9/2, 3 水、木	Ch. 7 Review Ch. 8 Vocab and short forms practice			
Lesson 9	9/4 金	③&④～と思います/と言っていました Uses of short forms: opinions & quotations	Vocab Quiz 8A	好手 元気	☐ しゅくだい 7
—	9/7 月	No Class: Labor Day			
Lesson 10	9/9 水	Ch. 8 Practice ⑥～のが好きです “I like ~ing.”		天雨雪	☐ しゅくだい 8
Lab 4	9/9, 10 水、木	Ch. 8 Practice			

	Date	Lesson Contents	Quizzes and Tests	Kanji	Homework (Due in class)
Lesson 11	9/11 金	Ch. 8 Practice Extra expressions: ⑤～ないでください: Negative requests ⑧ 何か、何も “Something” and “not anything”	Vocab Quiz 8B		☐ しゅくだい 9
Lesson 12	9/14 月	Ch. 7 and 8 Review	Kanji Quiz 2		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 2
Lesson 13	9/16 水	Test 1 for Ch. 7 and Ch. 8			☐ しゅくだい 10
Lab 5	9/16, 17 水、木	Ch. 8 Review, Chapter 9 Vocabulary			
Lesson 14	9/18 金	Ch. 9 Vocabulary ① Past tense short forms		前後 午名	☐ しゅくだい 11
Lesson 15	9/21 月	Ch. 9 ① Past tense short forms		学生先	☐ しゅくだい 12
Lesson 16	9/23 水	Ch. 9 ② Use of past tense short forms in informal speech, opinions & quotations	Vocab Quiz 9A	年校	☐ しゅくだい 13
Lab 6	9/23, 24 水、木	Ch. 9 Vocab, past tense short forms practice			
Lesson 17	9/25 金	Skit Preparation			Submit skit draft 1 by 11:59 PM on Canvas
Lesson 18	9/28 月	Ch. 9 ②-④ Use of past tense short forms in informal speech, opinions & quotations		出入 帰有	☐ しゅくだい 14
Lesson 19	9/30 水	Ch. 9 ②-④ Use of past tense short forms in informal speech, opinions & quotations			☐ しゅくだい 15
Lab 7	9/30, 10/1 水、木	Chapter 9 Practice Practice for the skit			
Lesson 20	10/2 金	Ch. 9 ⑦～から Combining sentences with “because”			Submit skit draft 2 by 11:59 PM on Canvas
Lesson 21	10/5 月	Ch. 9 Extra expressions: ⑥ もう～ました/まだ～ていません “have already / haven’t ~ yet”	Vocab Quiz 9B		☐ しゅくだい 16
Lesson 22	10/7 水	Ch. 9 Extra expressions: ⑤ Qualifying nouns with verbs & adjectives	Kanji Quiz 3		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 3

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Lab 8	10/7, 8 水、木	Chapter 9 Review, Chapter 10 Vocab			
Lesson 23	10/9 金	Ch. 9 Review		春夏秋冬	☐ しゅくだい 17
Lesson 24	10/12 月	Ch. 10 ① Comparisons: Two items		休車電	☐ しゅくだい 18
Lesson 25	10/14 水	Ch. 10 ② Comparisons: Three or more items		新古 楽番	☐ しゅくだい 19
Lab 9	10/14, 15 水、木	Ch. 10 Vocab Chapter 10 Practice			
Lesson 26	10/16 金	Ch. 10 ④～つもりだ Describing plans	Vocab Quiz 10A	長短	Writing topic due on Canvas by 11:59 PM
Lesson 27	10/19 月	Ch. 10 ⑤～になる “To become ~” ⑥ どこかに/どこにも “some~” and “not any~” expressions			☐ しゅくだい 20
Lesson 28	10/21 水	Ch. 10 ⑦～で Describing means Extra Expressions: ③～の Pronoun “one” Ch. 10 Review	Vocab Quiz 10B		☐ しゅくだい 21
Lab 10	10/21, 22 水、木	Chapter 9 and 10 Review			
Lesson 29	10/23 金	Chapter 9 and 10 Review	Kanji Quiz 4		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 4
Lesson 30	10/26 月	Test 2 for Ch. 9 and Ch. 10			☐ しゅくだい 22
Lesson 31	10/28 水	Ch. 11 ① Expressing Desire ~たい “want to ~”		町朝昼	☐ しゅくだい 23
Lab 11	10/28, 29 水、木	Ch. 11 Vocabulary Chapter 11 Practice			
Lesson 32	10/30 金	Ch. 11 ②～たり～たりする Listing representative activities	Vocab Quiz 11A	晩夜飯	☐ しゅくだい 24
Lesson 33	11/2 月	Ch. 11 ③ Describing past experiences		会社	☐ しゅくだい 25
Lesson 34	11/4 水	Ch. 11 Practice ④ Particle や “and so forth”	Vocab Quiz 11B	山川 海国	☐ しゅくだい 26
Lab 12	11/4, 5 水、木	Chapter 11 Practice			
Lesson 35	11/6 金	Ch. 11 Review	Kanji Quiz 5		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 5

	Date	Lesson Contents	Quizzes and Tests	Kanji	Homework (Due in class)
Lesson 36	11/9 月	Ch. 12 ①～んです Asking for and giving explanations ② ～すぎる “Too ~”		頭足 走痛	☐ しゅくだい 27
Lesson 37	11/11 水	Ch. 12 ② ～すぎる “Too ~” ③～ほうがいい Making suggestions	Vocab Quiz 12A	物太	☐ しゅくだい 28
Lab 13	11/11, 12 水、木	Chapter 12 Vocab Chapter 12 Practice			
Lesson 38	11/13 金	Ch. 12 ③～ほうがいい Making suggestions ④～ので Another “because” to combine sentences		方心洗	☐ しゅくだい 29
Lesson 39	11/16 月	Ch. 12 Practice ⑤～なければいけません/なきゃいけません “I have to ~.”		薬病院	☐ Writing first draft due on Canvas by 11:59 PM
Lesson 40	11/18 水	Ch. 12 Practice ⑤～なければいけません/なきゃいけません “I have to ~.”	Vocab Quiz 12B		☐ しゅくだい 30
Lab 14	11/18, 19 水、木	Ch. 12 Practice Review for Final Exam			
Lesson 41	11/20 金	Online Activity			☐ Online Activity due on Canvas by 11:59 PM
	11/23 - 11/27	No Class: Thanksgiving Break			
Lesson 42	11/30 月	Cha. 12 Review	Kanji Quiz 6		☐ かんじのれんしゅう 6
Lesson 43	12/2 水	Review for Final Exam			☐ Writing final draft due on Canvas by 11:59 PM
Lab 15	12/2, 3 水、木	Review for Final Exam			
---	12/4 金	NO CLASS: Reading Day			Last day to submit extra credit assignment
Final Exam Section 002	12/7 月 Mon	Final Exam: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. [MWF 12:20 Section]		A final exam may only be given during the specific block of time designated by the Office of the Registrar. https://registrar.unt.edu/exams/final-exam-schedule/Fall	
Final Exam Section 001	12/9 水 Wed	Final Exam: 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. [MWF 10:10 Section]			