

Toyota Language Center

2017 LATE SPRING CONVERSATIONAL JAPANESE

Beginner through Advanced levels

Registration opens March 14

The curriculum is conversation-intensive, with the aim of strengthening the student's ability to communicate effectively in social situations. The course materials will emphasize vocabulary and grammar that is useful in everyday activities. Each class meets twice a week for a total of 18 hours of instruction.

Beginner Conversation: For students who have finished Level 1 or 2 of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent.

For students with some background in Japanese. Some social/situational survival skills will also be introduced.

Beg-A	Mon. & Wed.	Apr. 17 – May 15	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Nakamura
Beg-B	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Takeda
Beg-C	Mon. & Wed.	Apr. 17 – May 15	12 – 2 pm	Instructor: Nakamura

Advanced-Beginner Conversation: For students who have finished Level 3 or 4 of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent. The course will focus on skills needed to survive in Japan. Frequently used expressions will be practiced in context.

AdvBeg-A	Mon. & Wed.	Apr. 17 – May 15	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Kurabara
AdvBeg-B	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	12 – 2 pm	Instructor: Kurabara

Intermediate Conversation: For students who have finished Level 5, 6 or 7 of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent. The course will focus on strengthening speaking skills by having students engage in various exercises.

Int-A	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Nakazawa
Int-B	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	12 – 2 pm	Instructor: Nakazawa

Advanced-Intermediate Conversation: For students who have finished Level 8, 9, or 10 of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent. The course will emphasize role-playing by the students in different social and business situations. The focus will be on maintaining a conversation and learning and using situational vocabulary.

AdvInt-A	Mon. & Wed.	Apr. 17 – May 15	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Miyashita
AdvInt-B	Mon. & Wed.	Apr. 17 – May 15	12 – 2 pm	Instructor: Miyashita

Advanced Conversation: For students who have who finished Level 11 of our Japanese Courses and higher.

Adv-A: Everyday Keigo	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	6 – 8 pm	Instructor: Kurabara
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This course provides conversational practice in different settings to master *keigo*, as well as common expressions and communication strategies used to speak Japanese at a fluent or native level.

Adv-B: J-Drama	Tues. & Thurs.	Apr. 18 – May 16	12 – 2 pm	Instructor: Nakamura
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Students will watch short dramas and discuss them. Emphasis will be on idiomatic and colloquial expressions.

(see reverse for additional courses and information)

INSTRUCTORS: All of the Language Center's instructors are native Japanese with extensive experience.

Ms. Kazue Kurahara holds a BA from Hunter College and an MA in Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language and TESOL from NYU. She holds teaching certificates in both Japanese and ESL. She has taught Japanese at various institutions, including New York University, Hunter College, Pace University, and The New School. She is currently hosting Japan Society's YouTube series "Uki Uki NihonGO! + Culture".

Ms. Mami Miyashita earned a Japanese Teaching License in Japan, a certificate of Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language from The Ohio State University and a master's degree from West Chester University. She has worked in foreign language education for more than twenty years, including at the University of Delaware from 1999 to 2005.

Ms. Mari Nakamura has an MA in Linguistics from The Ohio State University and has taught Japanese for 25 years at universities including Harvard, Indiana University, and the University of Maryland. She has also taught at several Fortune 500 Corporations.

Ms. Kazuko Nakazawa has a BA in Japanese Literature from Tokyo Woman's Christian University and is a graduate of Japan Society's Teacher Training Program. She has taught Japanese privately and in an after-school program in Japan for three years, and privately in the United States for two years. She has been on Japan Society's teaching staff since the summer of 2010.

Mr. Shuichiro Takeda received a BA in English and American Literature from Nanzan University in Nagoya and a BA in Psychology from Hunter College. He also holds a master's degree in Educational Technology from the University of British Columbia in Canada. He contributed to the establishment of a Japanese program for adults at Centre Japonais de Quebec in Quebec City as their first instructor, and continued to teach there until 2015. He currently teaches at Hunter College.

TEXTBOOKS:

There is no required text for this course. Handouts will be supplied in class.

HOW TO REGISTER:

1. **Classes fill up quickly!** To guarantee a seat in the class, please register as soon as possible. Acceptance will be acknowledged by email, phone or letter.
2. **Tuition:** Japan Society members **\$260**; Non-members **\$300**
3. **Registration and payment may be completed online at www.japansociety.org/language.** Alternatively, registration and payment may be completed by phone or mail, with payment by credit card, check, or cash. For credit card payments by phone, please call **(212) 715-1269**. If you would like to pay by check, please make it payable to Japan Society, and send to *Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017, Attn: Language Center*.
4. **Tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable (including for credit) for any reason after 12 pm, the business day before your class starts.** All refunds are subject to a \$20 service charge, including those requested by the deadline date. No partial registration or auditing is permitted. Please note that cancellations are accepted by phone or in person only. Cancellations via e-mail *are not* accepted.

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Please check the appropriate box:

<p>Beginner Conversation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Beg-A (6:00 pm, Mon+Wed)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Beg-B (6:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Beg-C (12:00 pm, Mon+Wed)</p> <p>Advanced-Beginner Conversation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> AdvBeg-A (6:00 pm, Mon+Wed)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> AdvBeg-B (12:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p>	<p>Intermediate Conversation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Int-A (6:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Int-B (12:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p> <p>Advanced-Intermediate Conversation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> AdvInt-A (6:00 pm, Mon+Wed)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> AdvInt-B (12:00 pm, Mon+Wed)</p> <p>Advanced Conversation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adv-A: Everyday Keigo (6:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adv-B: J-Drama (12:00 pm, Tues+Thurs)</p>
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