JASWDC 2020
JAPANESE Language School

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The Japan-America Society of Washington DC Japanese Language School, now in its 60th year, is the oldest Japanese language school in the area. All teachers are native Japanese speakers. Classes meet once a week for ten weeks and are conducted in the evening. Due to the recent COVID-19 outbreak, the Japan-America Society of Washington DC (JASWDC) is happy to be able to offer all Japanese courses online through Zoom.

**LOCATION**
JASWDC Classroom  
(1819 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036)  
OR  
ONLINE

**LEVELS**
Our classes range from beginner to advanced including Japanese history and JLPT N1 prep classes

**PRICE**
$225* for JASWDC members  
$300* for non-JASWDC members  
*Get a $25 discount when you register before September 13

**SCHEDULE**
Classes run for 90 min.  
Monday - Friday  
5:30 pm to 7:00 pm and  
7:10 pm to 8:40 pm  
Weekends: Time varies
SEMESTER SCHEDULE*

2020

Winter: January 6 – March 12
Spring: April 20 – June 25
Summer: July 6 – September 10
Fall: September 21 – November 26

2021

Winter: January 4 – March 11
Spring: April 19 – June 24
Summer: July 5 – September 9
Fall: September 20 – November 25

*All courses last 10 weeks

Don't know which course you should choose?

JASWDC offers placement tests for 100, 200, and 300 level courses. Please go to our website (http://www.jaswdc.org/placement-tests/) to take a placement test. If you feel that you have chosen the wrong class after the semester starts, you can change classes, provided there is space available. JASWDC must approve the change.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 202-833-2210 or email us at info@jaswdc.org
Holiday Class Closings & Make-up Classes: Classes will not be held on October 12 (Columbus Day) and November 26 (Thanksgiving Day) If a teacher is aware that they are unable to teach on a regularly scheduled date, the alternative date will be listed in the course description. Make-up classes will be held during the make-up week (November 30 – December 6) or another date that is optimal for the teacher and the students for classes that the teacher has to change unexpectedly during the course.

Registration Deadline:
Sunday, September 13, 2020.
Register and pay before this date to receive a $25 early registration discount.

Membership: Membership fees are as follows: $40 Student (full-time undergraduate or high school students, 23 years old and under. JASWDC will ask that you provide a copy of your ID) $60 Ume, and $250 Tsutsuji. Kiku ($1500) members may enroll in the language school free of charge.

To learn more about individual membership, please visit our membership page: (http://www.jaswdc.org/individual-membership/). Memberships are valid for one year from date of payment.

Textbooks: We are unable to take textbook orders due to shipment delays. Please order your textbooks online and have them available before the first day of your class.

To Register: Register online at www.jaswdc.org/language-schools/.

Class Size: Minimum of 4 students & maximum of 10 to 12 students.

Online Meeting Platform: At JASWDC’s Japanese language school, teachers use Zoom to hold classes unless specified otherwise. It is the student’s responsibility to secure a space that allows him/her to join the class for 90 min per class. Your teacher will send you a Zoom meeting URL before the first day of your class. The URL for the class should stay the same until the end of the semester unless otherwise announced. JASWDC will also conduct an audio/visual check session before the first day of each class. In case if you are not sure the audio/video on your computer will work, please join the session. The date of each session will be announced once decided.

Your teacher may record the classes and provide them to the students who are unable to attend class for proper reasons or wish to review the previous class. The recorded videos will only be shared with the students in your class. Sharing of any Zoom Meeting information or recorded videos with third parties is not allowed. You will need a Gmail account to access to the recorded videos.

Recommended Device: We recommend you use a computer or tablet and refrain from using a mobile device to leverage the full functionality of Zoom.

Cancellation: Cancellation/refund requests must be received by E-MAIL before 9/13/20 for a full refund, or from 9/14/20 to 9/20/20 for a 50% refund. No refunds will be offered after 9/21/20. There is NO CREDIT for classes you miss.

Wait-list Policy: Students will be placed on a wait-list if the class is full at the time of registration. Students will be notified if they are on a wait-list and when (and if) space becomes available. If space does not become available, JASWDC will refund any tuition payments made unless the student is placed in another class.

Note:
• There is no prorated tuition. Should you be absent, there will be no make-up classes or refunds, and you are responsible for any classes you miss. We do not offer private tutoring for classes missed.
• If a class has fewer than 4 registrations, it will be cancelled. If this happens, you may transfer to another class as long as space is available, or you may request a refund.
• The teacher may change class schedules due to personal reasons, holidays, etc. She/he will schedule a make-up class by discussing the date with the class.
• You may change your class after the semester starts, as long as there is space available in the chosen class. Any changes must be approved by JASWDC.
• A letter of class completion will be issued upon request only when a student’s attendance is 60% or higher.
• This is an adult language school and is open to persons 14 years and older.
Japanese 101 Prep

Japanese 101 Prep A:
Note this class will be held on Columbus Day, October 12.
Monday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Masse

Previous Japanese study experience is not required.
• Learn writing system of Hiragana and Katakana
• Enhance your reading skills
• Increase your knowledge of vocabulary

Japanese 101 Prep B:
Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm  Mr. Iwai

Previous Japanese study experience is not required.
• Learn writing system of Hiragana and Katakana
• Enhance your reading skills
• Increase your knowledge of vocabulary

Japanese 101 Prep C:
Tuesday 7:10-8:40pm  Mr. Iwai

Previous Japanese study experience is not required.
• Learn writing system of Hiragana and Katakana
• Enhance your reading skills
• Increase your knowledge of vocabulary

Japanese 101 Prep D:
This class will not be held on October 7. The make-up class will be on December 2.
Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Beeman

Previous Japanese study experience is not required.
• Learn writing system of Hiragana and Katakana
• Enhance your reading skills
• Increase your knowledge of vocabulary

Required Textbooks:
Japanese for Busy People Kana Workbook 3rd Edition
ISBN-13: 978-1568364018, Textbook (Textbooks may be available on Amazon)

Classes with A, B or C in the class name are the same classes but offered at different dates and times. Please select the class that is offered at the date/time that best fits your schedule.

101 Prep class is for people who do not know how to read and write Hiragana and Katakana. If you don’t have any experience learning Japanese, we recommend you take this class.
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From chapter 3 of Genki 1 onward, the Latin alphabet is omitted from the example sentences. If you cannot read Hiragana and Katakana it might be difficult to follow the chapters.

Attention!
Please make sure to purchase Genki 1 3rd edition if you are going to register for 101 or 102 in or after the fall semester 2020!

Classes with A, B or C in the class name are the same classes but offered at different dates and times. Please select the class that is offered at the date/time that best fits your schedule.

Japanese 101 & 102 (Beginner I)

**Required Textbooks:**
Workbook CDs Included
(Textbooks may be available on Amazon or other online bookstores)

**Japanese 101 A:**  *Genki 1 [Lessons 1,2,3]*

Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Masse
- Japanese phonetic alphabets, characters and numbers (hiragana, katakana, basic kanji)
- Basic Conversation (functional conversations, basic questions)
- Noun, Demonstrative こ/そ/あ/ど、Particles の/も/を/で/に/へ
- Present tense verb, Verb conjugation
- Time/Age, Verb Conjugation, Word order

**Japanese 101 B:**  *Genki 1 [Lessons 1,2,3]*

This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up dates will be announced in the class.

Thursday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Koga
- Japanese phonetic alphabets, characters and numbers (hiragana, katakana, basic kanji)
- Basic Conversation (functional conversations, basic questions)
- Noun, Demonstrative こ/そ/あ/ど、Particles の/も/を/で/に/へ
- Present tense verb, Verb conjugation
- Time/Age, Verb Conjugation, Word order

**Japanese 101 C:**  *Genki 1 [Lessons 1,2,3]*

This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up dates will be announced in the class.

Thursday 7:10-8:40pm  Mr. Akashi
- Japanese phonetic alphabets, characters and numbers (hiragana, katakana, basic kanji)
- Basic Conversation (functional conversations, basic questions)
- Noun, Demonstrative こ/そ/あ/ど、Particles の/も/を/で/に/へ
- Present tense verb, Verb conjugation
- Time/Age, Verb Conjugation, Word order

**Japanese 101 D:**  *Genki 1 [Lessons 1,2,3]*

Friday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Masse
- Japanese phonetic alphabets, characters and numbers (hiragana, katakana, basic kanji)
- Basic Conversation (functional conversations, basic questions)
- Noun, Demonstrative こ/そ/あ/ど、Particles の/も/を/で/に/へ
- Present tense verb, Verb conjugation
- Time/Age, Verb Conjugation, Word order
Japanese 102 A: **Genki 1 [Lessons 4, 5, 6]**
Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Kinoshita

Continuation of Japanese 101
- Expressing Existence 〜があります/います、上/下/中、〜した
- Adjectives, Degree Expressions いい、わるい、好きな、とても、ちょっと
- Te-form (verb), Reasons 〜てください、〜てもいいです、〜から
- Counting, Days/Weeks/Months/Years, Directions, Particles も/と

Japanese 102 B: **Genki 1 [Lessons 4, 5, 6]**
Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Kinoshita

Continuation of Japanese 101
- Expressing Existence 〜があります/います、上/下/中、〜した
- Adjectives, Degree Expressions いい、わるい、好きな、とても、ちょっと
- Te-form (verb), Reasons 〜てください、〜てもいいです、〜から
- Counting, Days/Weeks/Months/Years, Directions, Particles も/と

Japanese 102 C: **Genki 1 [Lessons 4, 5, 6]**
Sunday 7:30-9:00pm  Ms. Masse

Continuation of Japanese 101
- Expressing Existence 〜があります/います、上/下/中、〜した
- Adjectives, Degree Expressions いい、わるい、好きな、とても、ちょっと
- Te-form (verb), Reasons 〜てください、〜てもいいです、〜から
- Counting, Days/Weeks/Months/Years, Directions, Particles も/と

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**Required Textbooks:**
Workbook CDs Included
(Textbooks may be available on Amazon or other online bookstores)

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Japanese 103 & 104 (Beginner I)

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Japanese 103 A: **Genki 1 [Lessons 7, 8, 9]**
This class will not be held on November 24. The make-up class will be held on Monday, September 21.
Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm  Ms. Chikata

Continuation of Japanese 102
- Continuous form, Future tense 〜している、〜にいく
- Te-form (Adjective)
- Short Form (Present) + Casual form, 〜と思う/言う きれいだ＋と思う/言う
- Counter suffix ひとつ/ふたつ/ひとり/ふたり
Japanese 103 B: Genki 1 [Lessons 7, 8, 9]
This class will not be held on November 24. The make-up class will be held on Monday, September 21.
Tuesday 7:10-8:40pm Ms. Chikata

Continuation of Japanese 102
- Continuous form, Future tense 〜している、〜にいく
- Te-form (Adjective)
- Short Form (Present) + Casual form, 〜と思う/言う きれいだ＋と思う/言う
- Counter suffix ひとつ/ふたつ/ひとり/ふたり

Japanese 103 C: Genki 1 [Lessons 7, 8, 9]
This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.
Thursday 7:10-8:40pm Ms. Koga

Continuation of Japanese 102
- Continuous form, Future tense 〜している、〜にいく
- Te-form (Adjective)
- Short Form (Present) + Casual form, 〜と思う/言う きれいだ＋と思う/言う
- Counter suffix ひとつ/ふたつ/ひとり/ふたり

Japanese 103 D: Genki 1 [Lessons 7, 8, 9]
Saturday 9:00-10:30am Ms. Graf

Continuation of Japanese 102
- Continuous form, Future tense 〜している、〜にいく
- Te-form (Adjective)
- Short Form (Present) + Casual form, 〜と思う/言う きれいだ＋と思う/言う
- Counter suffix ひとつ/ふたつ/ひとり/ふたり

Japanese 104 A: Genki 1 [Lessons 10, 11, 12]
This class will not be held on September 23 and November 25. Make-up classes will be on December 2 and 9.
Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm Ms. Hunter

Continuation of Japanese 103
- Comparison 〜の方が、〜がいちばん
- adjective/noun+の/なる、大きいの、大きくなる
- Expressing desire, experience, intention, suggestion, reason, mandate
〜たい、〜ことがある、〜つもりだ、〜ほうがいい、〜でしょう

Japanese 104 B: Genki 1 [Lessons 10, 11, 12]
This class will not be held on September 23 and November 25. Make-up classes will be on December 2 and 9.
Wednesday 7:10-8:40pm Ms. Hunter

Continuation of Japanese 103
- Comparison 〜の方が、〜がいちばん
- adjective/noun+の/なる、大きいの、大きくなる
- Expressing desire, experience, intention, suggestion, reason, mandate
〜たい、〜ことがある、〜つもりだ、〜ほうがいい、〜でしょう
Japanese 104 C: Genki 1 [Lessons 10, 11, 12]
This class will not be held on October 8 and November 26. Make-up class dates will be on December 3 and 4 (Friday).
Thursday 5:30-7:00pm Ms. Beeman

Continuation of Japanese 103
- Comparison 〜の方が、〜がいちばん
- adjective/noun+の/なる、大きいの、大きくなる
- Expressing desire, experience, intention, suggestion, reason, mandate
〜たい、〜ことがある、〜つもりだ、〜ほうがいい、〜でしょう

Japanese 201 - 204 (Beginner II)

Japanese 201: Genki 2 [Lessons 13, 14, 15]
This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.
Thursday 5:30-7:00pm Ms. Kinoshita

Continuation of Japanese 104
- Potential verbs 〜できる、話せる、行ける
- Giving and Receiving あげる/くれる/もらう/ほしい
- Volitional forms of verbs 〜しよう、飲もう
- 行こうと思っている
- Expressing suggestion 〜したらどうですか
- number +も、number +しか+ negative

Japanese 202: Genki 2 [Lessons 16, 17, 18]
This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.
Thursday 5:30-7:00pm Ms. Yoshida

Continuation of Japanese 201
- Transitive and intransitive verbs
- 〜て+くれる/あげる/もらう/いただく
- Subordinating Conjunctions 〜時、〜前に、〜から、〜ながら、〜たら
- Other Verbal Expressions 〜そうです、〜みたいですね、〜してしまう、〜といい
- Transitivity Pairs 〜と、〜ながら

Japanese 203 A: Genki 2 [Lessons 19, 20, 21]
This class will not be held on October 12. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.
Monday 5:30-7:00pm Ms. Graf

Continuation of Japanese 202
- Honorific Verbs, Extra-modest expressions, Humble expressions
- Passive sentences 〜される、〜られる
- Indirect question どこにあるか分からない、なにをするか知らない
- Other Verbal Expressions 〜ないで、〜やすい/にくい、〜てある、〜間に

Required Textbooks:
GENKI 2 Second Edition
(The Japan Times)
& Workbook CDs
(Textbooks may be available on Amazon)
Japanese 203 B: Genki 2 [Lessons 19, 20, 21]
This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.

Thursday 7:10-8:40pm
Ms. Yoshida

Continuation of Japanese 202
- Honorific Verbs, Extra-modest expressions, Humble expressions
- Passive sentences 〜される、〜られる
- Indirect question どこにあるか分からない、なにをするか知らない
- Other Verbal Expressions 〜ないで、〜やすい/にくい、〜である、〜間に

Japanese 203 C: Genki 2 [Lessons 19, 20, 21]
This class will not be held on November 27. The make-up class will be held on September 28 from 7:10 pm.

Friday 5:30-7:00pm
Ms. Chikata

Continuation of Japanese 202
- Honorific Verbs, Extra-modest expressions, Humble expressions
- Passive sentences 〜される、〜られる
- Indirect question どこにあるか分からない、なにをするか知らない
- Other Verbal Expressions 〜ないで、〜やすい/にくい、〜である、〜間に

Japanese 204: Genki 2 [Lessons 22, 23, 24]
This class will not be held on September 21. The make-up class will be held on November 30.
Note: this class will be held on Columbus Day, October 12.

Monday 7:10-8:40pm
Ms. Hunter

Continuation of Japanese 203
- Causative verbs, verb stem + なさい
- Causative-passive sentences
- 〜ば、〜のに、〜のような、〜ても、〜ことにする、〜まで、〜方

Japanese 401-405 (Intermediate-High)

Required Textbooks:
コンテンツとマルチメディアで学ぶ日本語 「上級へのとびら」
Tobira – Gateway to Advanced
Japanese – Learning through Content and Multimedia (Kuroshio)
(Textbooks may be available on Amazon)

Japanese 401: [Lessons 1 & 2]
This class will not be held on September 21. The make-up class will be held on November 30. Note: this class will be held on Columbus Day, October 12.

Monday 5:30-7:00pm
Ms. Hunter

- 日本の地理 : 地理、名所、祭り、昔話
- 日本語のスピーチスタイル: 男女言葉、書き言葉と話し言葉、Eメールを出す

Equal emphasis will be placed on the four functions of listening, speaking, reading and writing, as well as reviewing grammar that is covered in the previous course.
**Japanese 403:** [Lessons 5 & 6]  
**Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm**  
Ms. Watanabe

Continuation of Japanese 402

*Equal emphasis will be placed on the four functions of listening, speaking, reading and writing, as well as reviewing grammar that is covered in the previous course.*

**Japanese 405:** [Lessons 9 & 10]  
Note this class will be held on Columbus Day, October 12.  
**Monday 5:30-7:00pm**  
Ms. Yoshida

Continuation of Japanese 404

*This level will focus on advanced and comprehensive Japanese skills through reading, writing, and discussion as well as reviewing grammar that is discovered in the intermediate class. Students must possess a strong command of Japanese grammar.*

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**Advanced Classes**

**JLPT N1 Prep**  
This class will not be held on November 26. Make-up class dates will be announced in class.  
**Thursday 7:10-8:40pm**  
Ms. Nagasaka

This is for students who plan to take the Japanese Language Proficiency test Level N1. Our class is a supplemental course to your study for the JLPT N1 test. Because N1 requires “the ability to understand Japanese used in a variety of circumstances,” (https://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html), we will practice as much as possible using test materials and other reading materials. During this semester, we will focus on grammar and reading. Please consider this class as a supplemental class to your study for the JLPT N1 test. We strongly recommend that you also study for the test by yourself.  
To find out this year’s JLPT test date, please visit their website at https://www.jlpt.jp/e/.

**Required Textbook**

Shin Kanzen Master Grammar  
JLPT 1 (新完全マスター文法日本語能力試験N1; ISBN: 978-4-88319-564-0)

**Note:** this year’s JLPT examinations have been cancelled, therefore this course is for those who wish to continue to study and prepare for the JLPT exam in 2021.

*Because studying for the JLPT N2 & N1 is intensive and preparations for it cannot be fully covered in only a 10-week class, we recommend registering for both the summer and fall semesters. If you are unsure about whether or not this class (JLPT N1 or N2 Prep class) would be suitable for you, please refer to the web pages below:*  
- Summary of Linguistic Competence Required for Each Level:  
  http://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html  
- Sample Questions: https://jlpt.jp/e/samples/forlearners.html