



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Japanese Language I

1920-1-E2001R058-E2001R066M

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#### Course title

Japanese Language 1

#### Topics and course structure

The Japanese language 1 course is aimed at students of the Bachelor of Science in Intercultural Communication who have no knowledge of the Japanese language, and aims to provide the foundation for learning the written and spoken language. The course is supported by language conversation classes held by a Japanese professor.

#### Objectives

##### *Knowledge and understanding*

Students will gain a solid and systematic knowledge of the fundamentals of the Japanese language at an elementary level.

##### *Ability to apply knowledge and understanding*

Students will learn to rework autonomy grammatical structures and vocabulary learned during the course of the program, as well as to recognize and read a sufficient number of kanji for the understanding of texts written in the Japanese language at an elementary level.

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## Methodologies

Lessons and conversation classes with a Japanese teacher

## Online and offline teaching materials

Online materials: exercises and articles uploaded on e-learning

Offline materials: dispense (fotocopies) by the professors

## Programme and references for attending students

The program includes the analysis of some aspects of grammar such as the pronunciation, the minimum sentence, conjugation of verbs and adjectives, sentence structure etc.. During the course, in addition, the student will read texts of various kinds. This will allow students to approach the elements of writing - ideograms and syllabic alphabets - as well as expressive forms and structures typical of written language. The lectures will be supplemented by classes with a native speaker teacher. For the exam, the students must know and read all the words and kanji included in the first 9 Units of the textbook and in the material online and in the dispense. And should be able to write all the *kaku kanji* explained in the first 8 units of the textbook.

## REFERENCES

--- Matilde Mastrangelo, Junichi Oue, *Impariamo il giapponese. Corso di lingua e cultura giapponese*, vol. 1, Milano, Hoepli, 2018

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## Programme and references for non-attending students

The same of attending students

## Assessment methods

Written and Oral tests

Written test involves a translation of a text from Japanese into Italian (with dictionaries). The written text will be evaluated, also according to the Italian rendition, with one of the following judgement: not passed, passed, good

and excellent. If the written exam is passed, the student can do the oral exam, which is composed by: questions on a text included in the textbook that the student will read during the oral exam, questions on Japanese grammar, self-presentation, description of images, a brief conversation on various aspects of everyday life, translation of some sentences from Italian into Japanese and writing of kaku kanji of the first 8 units of the textbook. The written and oral exams must be done in the same month. The final score of the exam will be: maximum 30/30 for the students who have passed the written exam with "excellent"; maximum of 28/30 for the students who have passed the written exam with "good"; maximum of 26/30 for the students who have passed the written exam with "passed"

#### Evaluation methods

The ability of the students to use actively the elements of Japanese language of the course; the ability to read and write the kanji; the ability to comprehend written and oral texts ; the ability to communicate in Japanese; the knowledge of Japanese grammar linguistics of the books indicated in the bibliography; the ability to translate simple texts from Japanese into Italian and viceversa.

#### **Office hours**

By appointment to take by email

#### **Programme validity**

The programmes are valid 2 years

#### **Course tutors and assistants**

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