UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Japonese Language II

2122-2-E2001R059-E2001R068M

Course title

Japanese Language 2

Topics and course structure

The Japanese language 2 course is aimed at students of the Bachelor of Science in Intercultural Communication who have already passed the exam of Japanese Language 1. The course will deepen the knowledge of the grammatical structures of the Japanese language. This will involve the learning of writing all the kaku kanji included in the units 10-11-12 of the textbook (vol. 1) and of those included in the first 6 units of the second volume. It is also required to know all the words and the readings all the kanji that appear in the scheduled lessons of the textbook. The course is supported by language exercises held by a Japanese teacher.

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.

With regard to the independence of judgment and the strengthening of communication skills, teachers urge students to formulate their own opinion independently. The ability to learn is stimulated through active participation in lectures and discussion of the materials provided by the teachers.

Methodologies

Lessons and conversation classes (with streaming)

Online and offline teaching materials

Textbook indicated in the bibliography and materials loaded on e-learning page.

Programme and references for attending students

Japanese Language 2 aims to upgrade grammar and syntax analysis of elementary level. Lectures focuses on theoretical teaching (comparative and contrastive analysis).

Reading of several kind of texts (to exercise writing, reading and grammar abilities). Practical activities with mother tongue teacher to improve comprehension and speaking abilities.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

--Matilde Mastrangelo, Junichi Oue, *Impariamo il giapponese. Corso di lingua e cultura giapponese*, voll. 1 e 2, Milano, Hoepli, 2019

--Language materials loaded by the professor on the e-learning page

Programme and references for non-attending students

The same of attending students

Assessment methods

Written and oral test (both compulsory): the written test, preparatory to the oral test, includes: multiple-choice structural exercises and reading comprehension, multiple-choice kanji recognition and reading test and a translation with use of dictionaries from Japanese to Italian.

The oral test includes: a) reading and translation of one or more passages included in the manual (only Testi e Dialoghi); grammar questions (with the Italian professor); b) short conversation in Japanese, oral exercises, writing of some kaku kanji (with the mother tongue professor). The mark for the oral examination is obtained from the average of the marks obtained in the two parts of the examination.

The written and oral exams may be taken in different months; however, both tests must be taken and passed by the February 2023, otherwise the mark obtained in the partial written test will be annulled. The grade for the written exam remains valid even if the student decides to refuse the grade for the oral exam.

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 programs are valid 2 academic years

Course tutors and assistants