JAPANESE (JAPN)

Courses

JAPN 101 | FIRST SEMESTER JAPANESE
Units: 3
Prerequisites: Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year
An introduction to the four basic language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing (includes Katakana and Hiragana), with emphasis on oral skills. Supplemental practice with audio-visual materials.

JAPN 102 | SECOND SEMESTER JAPANESE
Units: 3
Prerequisites: JAPN 101 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year
Continuation of JAPN 101. Continued development of basic language skills. Increased practice in reading and writing (Katakana, Hiragana), and introduction of 130 Chinese characters used in context. Relationship between language and culture. Supplemental practice with audio-visual materials.

JAPN 140 | TOPICS IN JAPANESE LITERATURE AND CULTURE
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Japanese literature and culture. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

JAPN 141 | TOPICS IN JAPANESE LITERATURE, FILM, CULTURE—DOMESTIC FOCUS
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Japanese literature, film and/or culture with a Domestic Focus. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

JAPN 142 | TOPICS IN JAPANESE LITERATURE, FILM OR CULTURE—GLOBAL FOCUS
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Japanese literature, film and/or culture with a Global Focus. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

JAPN 150 | JAPANESE CULTURE AND CONVERSATION
Units: 3
Prerequisites: JAPN 102
A course designed for students who wish to enhance their command of spoken Japanese, including expanding vocabulary, idiomatic expressions, and the use of previously acquired grammatical structures. This course is also designed to enable the student to become acquainted with the history, geography, politics, traditional arts, and literature of Japan, in addition to daily customs of Japanese society. This course will be taught in Japan during the summer or winter. The university reserves the right to cancel this course if minimum enrollment is not met, or for any other reason. Students who have earned credit in JAPN 201 and/or 202 are also invited to enroll.

JAPN 152 | JAPANESE CULTURE AND CONVERSATION
Units: 3

JAPN 194 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN JAPANESE LITERATURE AND CULTURE
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Japanese literature and culture. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

JAPN 201 | THIRD SEMESTER JAPANESE
Units: 3
Prerequisites: JAPN 102 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year
Further development of language competence. Practice in oral and written Japanese at the intermediate level, with emphasis on reading and basic composition. Supplemental practice with audio-visual materials.

JAPN 202 | FOURTH SEMESTER JAPANESE
Units: 3
Prerequisites: JAPN 201 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year
Continued practice in oral and written Japanese. Various styles will be introduced to develop greater accuracy and fluency. Use of authentic modern Japanese materials for better appreciation of the culture. Supplemental practice with audio-visual materials.

JAPN 293 | LANGUAGE TUTORING OR FIELD EXPERIENCE IN JAPANESE
Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Supervised participation in the department’s Tutoring Program or placement in a community organization in which the student’s skills in Japanese are developed.

JAPN 294 | TOPICS IN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, OR CULTURE
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Prerequisites: JAPN 202
Study at the lower-division level of a special topic in language, literature, or culture. This course may be repeated for credit when the topic changes. When offered, selected subjects will be announced on the MySanDiego portal. If taught in English, this course will not fulfill the Core Curriculum language requirement. Consult with instructor or the department chair.

JAPN 299 | INDEPENDENT STUDY
Units: 0

JAPN 394 | TOPICS IN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, OR CULTURE
Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Prerequisites: JAPN 202
Study at the third-year level of a special topic in language, literature, or culture. When offered, selected subjects will be announced on the MySanDiego portal. If taught in English, this course will not fulfill the Core Curriculum language requirement. Consult with instructor or the department chair.

JAPN 493 | LANGUAGE TUTORING OR FIELD EXPERIENCE IN JAPANESE
Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Supervised participation in the department’s Tutoring Program or placement in a community organization in which the student’s skills in Japanese are developed.

JAPN 494 | SPECIAL TOPICS
Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
Study of special topics in Japanese literature, language, or culture. When offered, selected subjects will be announced on the MySanDiego portal.

JAPN 499 | INDEPENDENT STUDY
Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)
A program arranged between the advanced student and the instructor to provide intensive study in a particular area of interest. Extensive reading and consultation are required, as well as preparation of reports to be assigned by the instructor. A maximum of three units may be applied toward the Asian Studies minor.