



Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
2026 Winter Session
EJP 101 Elementary Japanese Language
Course Outline

Course Code: EJP 101

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Credit: 4

Class Hours:

This course will have 60 class hours, including 32 lecture hours, professor 8 office hours, 8-hour TA discussion sessions, 4-hour review sessions, 8-hour extra classes.

Course Description:

This course is designed for students who have no prior knowledge of Japanese. The course focuses on the performance of spoken and written Japanese in class. You will acquire culturally and linguistically appropriate behavior which will enable you to establish smooth communication with native speakers of Japanese. In addition, the course also offers you some basic strategies for reading authentic Japanese materials.

Course Objectives:

The goal of this course is to give you the ability to communicate with native speakers of Japanese in authentic Japanese both orally and in writing. In this course, you will learn not only basic vocabulary and structural patterns but also simple conversational skills such as: introducing yourself or someone else; describing and asking about a location; talking about your daily activities and what you did in the past; expressing your preferences; and making a request. Such conversational skills are practiced in the socio-cultural and context-dependent situations, which are carefully set up to be applicable and natural. In other words, they are normal social situations in which you would be involved in Japan or on campus. The students are expected to have basic grammar, speaking, and listening



comprehension skills, as well as reading and writing skills in Hiragana and Katakana by the end of the course.

Required Textbooks:

Hatasa, Y., Hatasa, K., and Makino S. 2014. *Nakama 1*, 3rd edition. Heinle Cengage Learning.

Grading System (1 ~ 100)

A+ : 96 - 100	A : 91 - 95
B+ : 86 - 90	B : 81 - 85
C+ : 76 - 80	C : 71 - 75
D+ : 66 - 70	D : 60 - 65
F : 0 - 59	
Pa : Pass	Fa : Fail

Weight:	(1) Performance& Homework	40%
	(3) Exams	60%

Course Schedule:

Week 1: NAKAMA 1 Chapter 1-2 (Video 1-6)

Date	Quizzes & Exams	In-class Activities	Homework & Preparation
		Course Orientation Basic assumptions of studying Japanese as a foreign language ▶ Useful exp. (Introducing yourself) ▶ Useful exp.: Greetings <i>Hiragana: a-n</i>	- Read pp. 2-16 - Be able to introduce yourself in Japanese
		▶ Useful exp.: Addressing people & saying good-bye ▶ Useful exp.: Thanking, apologizing & getting attention Hiragana: voiced & voiceless consonants & long vowels	- Review Useful exp.& <i>Hiragana</i> - Read pp. 13-19 - Be able to greet people depending on the given time of day - Be able to thank, apologize & get your instructor's attention
		▶ Useful exp.: Understanding your instructor's requests (input only)	- Review Useful exp. & <i>Hiragana</i>



		▶ Useful exp.: Confirming information and making requests ▶ Useful exp.: Asking for Japanese words and English equivalents (input only) <i>Hiragana</i>: double consonants & glides	- Read pp. 20-23 - Be able to understand your instructor's requests, confirm information and make requests - Be able to answer questions asking for Japanese words and English equivalent
		Chapter 2 Dialogue (pp. 41-43) Vocabulary Practice ▶ ぶんぼう I ▶ ぶんぼう II & III	HW I : Activities 1 & 4 HW II : Activity 1 HW III : Activities 1 & 3 - Study for Vocab. Quiz 1 (pp. 36-38) - Study ぶんぼう I (pp. 46-49) - Study ぶんぼう II & III (pp. 50-55)

Week 2: NAKAMA 1 Chapter 2-3 (Video 7-11)

Date	Quizzes & Exams	In-class Activities	Homework & Preparation
		▶ ぶんぼう IV ▶ ぶんぼう V Dialogue (Content Questions & p. 43) In-class Listening: すずきさんのむすめさん (p. 65) In-class Reading (pp. 67-69)	HWIV: Activities 1 & 4 HWV: Activity 1 - Study ぶんぼう IV (pp. 56-60) - Study ぶんぼう V (pp. 61-64)
		Chapter 3 <i>Katakana</i>: ア～ン Integration (p. 70) Role Play (p. 71) Transcribing katakana & Practice Chapter 3 Dialogue (pp. 94-95) Activities 1-2	- Study for Vocab. Quiz 2 (pp. 88-90) Submit HW#1 (Chapter 2) - Read pp. 74-78 - Read "Transcribing katakana" (pp. 78-80) - Study Dialogue (pp. 94-95)
		Vocab. (Days of the week; Numbers) Activities 6, 9, 11 ▶ ぶんぼう IA-B Activity 1 ▶ ぶんぼう IC-D Review ぶんぼう IA-B	- Read Culture (pp. 96-97) HW IA-B: Activity 1 - Study ぶんぼう IA-B (pp. 98-100) HW IC-D: Activity 2 - Review ぶんぼう IA-B



		Activities 2-3	- Study ぶんぼう IC-D (pp. 100-101)
		▶ ぶんぼう II Review ぶんぼう I Activities ▶ ぶんぼう III Review ぶんぼう II Activities ▶ ぶんぼう IV Review ぶんぼう III Activities	HW II: Activity 1 - Review ぶんぼう I - Study ぶんぼう II (p. 103) HW III: Activities 2-3 - Review ぶんぼう II - Study ぶんぼう III (pp. 106-107) HW IV: Activity 1 - Review ぶんぼう III - Study ぶんぼう IV (pp. 111-112)

Week 3: NAKAMA 1 Chapter 3-4 (Video 12-15)

Date	Quizzes & Exams	In-class Activities	Homework & Preparation
		▶ ぶんぼう V Review ぶんぼう IV Activities Dialogue (Content Questions & p. 95) In-class Listening: みっつのライフスタイル (p. 117) In-class Reading (pp. 119-121) L3 Review & Practice Study Guide	HW: Activities 1-2 - Review ぶんぼう III - Study ぶんぼう IV (p. 114 & p. 116) - Dialogue Comprehension (p. 95) - Study Guide Submit HW#2 (Chapter 3)
	Exam 1	Exam (L1~L3)	- Review Chapters 1~3
		Chapter 4 Dialogue Vocab. (Towns & Adjectives) Activities Culture ▶ ぶんぼう I Activities かんじ: 大学	- Study for Vocab. Q 3 (pp. 127-129) - Study Dialogue (pp. 131-133) - Read Culture (pp. 134-135) HW I: Activity 1 - Study ぶんぼう I (pp. 136-138) - Read "Introduction to Kanji" (pp. 160-161)
		▶ ぶんぼう II	HW II: Activity 1



		Review ぶんぼう I Activities かんじ：学校 ▶ ぶんぼう III (polite present forms of adjectives) Activities Review かんじ：大学、学校	- Review ぶんぼう I - Study ぶんぼう II (pp. 142-143) HWIII: Activities 1 & 3 - Review ぶんぼう II - Study ぶんぼう III (pp. 146-147)
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Week 4: NAKAMA 1 Chapter 4-5 (Video 16-20)

Date	Quizzes & Exams	In-class Activities	Homework & Preparation
		▶ ぶんぼう IV Review polite present forms of adjectives Activities かんじ：先生、学生 ▶ ぶんぼう V Review polite present forms of adjectives Activities かんじ：Practice (p. 161)	- Review ぶんぼう III - Study ぶんぼう IV (pp. 151-152) HWV: Activity 1 - Review ぶんぼう III & IV - Study ぶんぼう V (pp. 155-156)
		Dialogue (Content Questions & p. 133) In-class listening (p. 158) Reading (pp. 162-163) Integration L4 Review & Practice Chapter 5 Dialogue Activities Culture かんじ：山、川 ▶ ぶんぼう I Activities かんじ：田、人	<u>Submit HW#3 (Chapter 4)</u> - Dialogue Comprehension (p. 133) - Reading Comprehension (p. 163) - Study for Vocab. Quiz 4 (pp. 169-170) - Study Dialogue (pp. 173-175) - Read Culture (pp. 176-177) - Study ぶんぼう I (pp. 178-179)
		▶ ぶんぼう II	HWII: Activities 1 & 4



		Review ぶんぼう I Activities かんじ: 上、中 ▶ ぶんぼう III Review ぶんぼう II Activities かんじ: 下、小	- Review ぶんぼう I - Study ぶんぼう II (pp. 182-183) HWIII: Activity 1 - Review ぶんぼう II - Study ぶんぼう III (p. 188)
		▶ ぶんぼう IV Review ぶんぼう III Activities かんじ: 日、本 ▶ ぶんぼう V Review ぶんぼう IV Activities Review かんじ (Chapters 4-5) Dialogue & Listening Reading (pp. 206-207) L1~L5 Review & Practice	HWIV: Activities 1-2 - Review ぶんぼう III - Study ぶんぼう IV (pp. 190-191) HWV: Activities 1-3 - Review ぶんぼう IV - Study ぶんぼう V (pp. 193-195) <u>Submit HW#4 (Chapter 5)</u>
	▶ Exam 2	Exam 2 (L1~L5)	