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1. How to register for Japanese classes

Select your Japanese level (one level only)

JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test)

You have passed

You have not passed or taken

N1 → K7 level

N2 → K6 level

N3 → K5 level

N4 → K4 level

N5 → K3 level

Try sample questions on JLPT
web site to find your level.



JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) official website.

※If your level is lower than N5, you should take “Japanese language Courses for Beginners: [Nihongo Kouza](#)”.

Select classes from those classes at your level listed in “[A guide for selecting Japanese classes according to your student status](#)” (p. 6 ~). You may only take classes of one level.

~ April 12



- ① Apply for Japanese classes [on Moodle](#). →
 - ② Register your Japanese classes on SOSEKI.
- From 2022 all students, including auditors (graduate students and research students), must register for Japanese classes on SOSEKI.

Look at the Moodle course of your class. If you cannot see the Moodle course that you registered, it means that you have not completed your registration on SOSEKI.

April 13~19

Read [the syllabus](#) to find out the class style (face-to-face or online).



Kumamoto Univ.
syllabus system

2. Academic Calendar 2022 Spring Semester for Japanese Classes

Note that the academic calendar may differ according to the faculty.






	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Apr.						1	2	4/12 : Application deadline 4/13~4/19 : The period to change your registration 4/29 : Holiday
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	5/3~5 : Holiday
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
Jun.	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	6/15 : No classes.
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
Jul.	26	27	28	29	30	1	2	7/18 : Class day on holiday
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
Aug.	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Sep.	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	25	26	27	28	29	30		

Spring semester : April 13 ~ August 10

— Holiday

3. Level of Japanese Classes

Japanese classes offered at Kumamoto University are categorized into the following eight levels according to the language proficiency of students.

Level of Japanese proficiency		Students Sample questions ↓	Contents
K8	Superior	For those who have passed the JLPT N1 with a high score	No Japanese classes ! You do not need to take any Japanese classes for international students.
K7	Upper Advanced	For those who have passed the JLPT N1 	Beyond the JLPT N1
K6	Lower Advanced	For those who have passed the JLPT N2 	The JLPT N1
K5	Upper Intermediate	For those who have passed the JLPT N3 	The JLPT N2
K4	Intermediate	For those who have passed the JLPT N4 	The JLPT N3
K3	Lower Intermediate	For those who have passed the JLPT N5 	The JLPT N4
K2	Upper Elementary	For those who have studied Lower elementary Japanese	The JLPT N5
K1	Lower Elementary	For those who will study Japanese for the first time.	Basic Japanese

The level of Japanese proficiency is written in the list of Japanese classes (→p.17) and each syllabus. Please choose the appropriate classes of your Japanese level. It is not recommended to take a class lower than your level.

4. Student status in Kumamoto University

Whether or not you can obtain credits depends on your status in Kumamoto University. Please check your status according to the table below.

Symbol of status	Student Status	Description
U	Undergraduate Student	Students who passed the entrance examination and who intend to graduate from Kumamoto University
SU-S	Special Undergraduate Auditors (Short-Term Exchange Program)	Exchange Students <u>in the Short-Term Exchange Program</u> at the undergraduate level from Universities having <u>university exchange agreement</u>
SU-J	Special Undergraduate Auditors (Japanese Studies Program)	Students in the Japanese Studies Program
SU	Special Undergraduate Auditors	Exchange Students at the undergraduate level from Universities having <u>departmental exchange agreement</u>
G	Graduate Student	Students who passed the entrance examination and who intend to graduate from a graduate school of Kumamoto University (including doctor and master's course students)
SG	Special Auditors and Special Research Students in Graduate School	Students in the exchange program <u>at the graduate level</u>
N	Japanese Language Trainees (<i>Nihongo Kensyuu Sei</i>)	Students who take the preparatory Japanese language program for six months among Japanese Government (<i>Monbukagakusho</i>) Scholarship Students with embassy recommendation and Teacher-Training Students
R	Undergraduate R esearch Students / Graduate R esearch Students	Research students who belong to undergraduate /graduate schools
O	Others (Researchers, etc.)	Researchers at Kumamoto University (Not students)

5. A guide for selecting Japanese classes according to your student status

(1) Undergraduate students 【U】

→See Japanese version

(2) Special undergraduate auditors 【SU-S】 【SU】

→See Japanese version

(3) Special undergraduate auditors for the Japanese Studies Program 【SU-J】

→See Japanese version

(4) Graduate students, special auditors in graduate school, research students, and others 【G】 【SG】 【R】 【O】

(5) Japanese language trainees (*Nihongo Kenshusei*) 【N】

(4) Graduate students, special auditors /special research students in graduate school, research students, and others 【G】 【SG】 【R】 【O】

This section applies to the following students or researchers:

- a) Graduate students who belong to master's or doctoral program 【G】
- b) Special Auditors /Special Research students in the graduate level 【SG】
- c) Research students at the graduate level 【R】
- d) Research students at undergraduate level 【R】
- e) Others (researchers, etc.) 【O】

Please take classes appropriate to your Japanese level. Please note that you cannot earn any credits from Japanese classes.

Please apply for Japanese classes [on Moodle first, then register on SOSEKI](#). Graduate students and research students (i.e., auditors) can register for Japanese classes on SOSEKI from April 1st, 2022. If you fail to register for a class on SOSEKI, you will not be able to see the course you applied on Moodle. If you wish to change your registration, you will be able to do it [between April 13 and 19](#).

You can audit Japanese classes from your Japanese level. However, **you cannot earn any credits for Japanese classes. Your grade (pass [合], fail [否], drop [×]) will not affect your GPA.**

How to apply for Japanese classes:

Please access to the Moodle course, “KU Japanese Language Classes Application.

Use the Syllabus Code to find the syllabus on the portal and the Course Code to register for classes on SOSEKI.

K7 level classes

Course Titles	Course Code	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Room	Syllabus Code
Japanese A-1a	14195	Advanced Oral Expressions II	Kashima	Thu	4	3C	A3001
Japanese A-2b	14205	Advanced Writing Expressions	Yoshisato	Wed	3	3C	A3023
Japanese B-1a	14215	Advanced Listening Comprehension & Vocabulary II	Nakamura	Mon	3	3C	A3041
Japanese B-1b	14225	Advanced Grammar A II	Koga	Thu	1	(3C)	A3044
Japanese C-1a	14235	Advanced Grammar B II	Kosaka	Thu	3	3C	A3081
Japanese D-1a	14245	Advanced Reading A II	Masden	Tue	2	(2D)	A3123
Japanese D-1b	14255	Advanced Reading B II	Ooba	Wed	4	3C	A3122

K6 level classes

Course Titles	Course Code	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Room	Syllabus Code
Japanese IV-1d	14385	Pre-advanced Grammar II	Nakamura	Mon	2	3C	A3384
Japanese IV-2a	14395	Pre-advanced Oral Expressions	Koga	Thu	3	2B	A3411
Japanese IV-1f	14405	Pre-advanced Reading II	Tsuru	Wed	4	2B	A3386
Japanese IV-2m	14415	Pre-advanced Academic Reading	Kashima	Mon	4	(2D)	A3423
Japanese IV-1r	14425	Pre-advanced Academic Listening Comprehension II	Akaki	Wed	2	2D	A3397
Japanese IV-2s	14435	Pre-advanced Writing	Michimoto	Fri	4	(2B)	A3435

K5 level classes

Course Titles	Course Code	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Room	Syllabus Code
Japanese III-1s	14335	Upper-Intermediate Extensive Reading & Vocabulary II	Yoshisato	Thu	2	(2D)	A3339
Japanese III-2t	14345	Upper-Intermediate Oral Expressions	Ooba	Wed	2	3C	A3377
Japanese III-1h	14355	Upper-Intermediate Grammar & Expressions II	Akaki	Wed	3	2D	A3328
Japanese III-1j	14365	Upper-Intermediate Reading I	Katayama	Tue	4	2D	A3330
Japanese III-1r	14375	Upper-Intermediate Listening Comprehension II	Katayama	Thu	5	2A	A3338

K4 level classes

Course Titles	Course Code	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Room	Syllabus Code
Japanese II-2a	14295	Intermediate Reading & Grammar a	Kashima	Tue	1	2B	A3296
Japanese II-2b	14305	Intermediate Reading & Grammar b	Kosaka	Thu	1	2B	A3297
Japanese II-2c	14315	Intermediate Conversation a	Yoshisato	Wed	1	2B	A3298
Japanese II-2d	14325	Intermediate Conversation b	Yonawa	Fri	1	2B	A3299

K3 level classes

Course Titles	Course Code	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Room	Syllabus Code
Japanese I-2a	14265	Lower-Intermediate Conversation & Grammar a	Kashima	Wed	1	3B	A3231
Japanese I-2b	14275	Lower-Intermediate Conversation & Grammar b	Masden	Thu	1	3B	A3232
Japanese I-2c	14285	Lower-Intermediate Conversation & Grammar c	Yoshisato	Fri	1	3B	A3233

(5) Japanese Language Trainees (*Nihongo Kenshuusei*) 【N】

Japanese language trainees are students who have passed the examination offered at Japanese embassies of their countries and will enroll in the preparatory six-month Japanese language course.

There are two categories:

- a) Japanese government (*MEXT*) scholarship students with embassy recommendations

- b) Teacher-training students

If your Japanese level is elementary (K1-K3), please take [Intensive Japanese Course](#).
If your Japanese level is intermediate or higher, please consult with the full-time instructor in advance. (→ p.[16](#), [21](#))

6. Credit

Regular Students in Undergraduate School 【U】

Undergraduate students who need Japanese language course credits for their Compulsory Foreign Language subject requirements should complete the credits required for graduation within their first two years. Even if you take more Compulsory Foreign Language subjects than are required, those credits will not count toward your graduation requirements. Credits obtained from Elective Foreign Language subjects will count toward your graduation requirements for elective classes.

Special Undergraduate Auditors 【SU-S】 【SU】 【SU-J】

There is no distinction between Compulsory Foreign Language subjects and Elective Foreign Language subjects. Both will count toward your program completion requirements.

Graduate Students, Special Auditors and Special Research Students in Graduate School, Japanese Language Trainees (*Nihongo Kensyuu Sei*), Undergraduate Reserch Students / Graduate Research Students 【G】 【SG】 【N】 【R】 【O】

You may audit courses that correspond to your Japanese level, but you can not earn credit for them.

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Intensive Japanese Course
for *Monbukagakusho* scholarship students

7. About Intensive Japanese Course for Monbukagakusho scholarship student

These are beginning level intensive Japanese courses for Japanese language trainees [N], that is, Japanese government (*MEXT*) scholarship students with an embassy recommendation, as well as Teacher Training Students (*Kyouin kenshuu ryuugakusei*).

Credits and Grades: No academic credits will be earned from these courses. However, you will be given grades and a certificate of completion of the course.

Timetable and instructors' names

Elementary Japanese Class (Level K1)

Coordinator : Yoshisato, Sub-coordinator : Masden

● Face-to-face lessons (Classroom: 2 A) & Online

	1 st period	2nd period	3 rd period	4 th period
Monday		Ooba	Ezaki	
Tuesday		Hinokuma	Hinokuma	
Wednesday		Michimoto		(* Yoshisato)
Thursday		Akaki (* Masden)	Yoshisato	
Friday		Michimoto	Nakamura	

※ Students in Intensive Japanese 1 must take all classes.

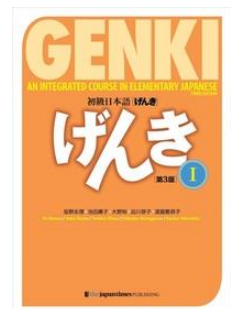
* Office hour

Textbook : GENKI: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese Vol.1

[Third Edition]

The Japan Times

ISBN 978-4-7890-1730-5



Intermediate Japanese Class (Level K4)

Coordinator : Kashima, Sub-coordinator : Masden

- Face-to-face lessons (Classroom: 2 C) & Online

	1 st period	2nd period
Monday		
Tuesday	Kashima	Ezaki
Wednesday	Yoshisato	(* Kashima)
Thursday	Kosaka	Yonawa (* Masden)
Friday	Yonawa	

※ Students in Intensive Japanese 1 must take all classes.

* Office hour

8. *Nihongo Kouza* (Japanese Language Course for Beginners)

Aim:

This course helps the students to obtain the basic Japanese skills required for daily life in Japan.

Who can take this course :

Students and researchers of Kumamoto University and their spouses

Level of Japanese proficiency: K1 (lower elementary)

Credits & Grades: No academic credits nor grades will be earned from these courses.

Textbook: “Irodori: Japanese for Life in Japan Starter(A1)” The Japan Foundation

Please download the textbook from the website below.

<https://www.irodori.jp/irodori/starter/pdf.html>

Class Schedule / How to apply:

In the middle of May or June, class times and classrooms will be announced on the Center for International Education website.

(Japanese)URL www.c3.kumamoto-u.ac.jp

(English)URL <http://www.c3.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/en/>

Apply online for Japanese Language Course for Beginners on the Center for International Education website.

Contact information for inquiries: [▶Inquiries for Japanese Classes](#)

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Web Inquiry Form

9. Grading

Undergraduate **【U】** and special undergraduate auditors **【SU-S】 【SU】 【SU-J】**

- ◆ Grades: Excellent (AA), Very Good (A), Good (B), Fair (C) and Failure (F)
- ◆ The grade affects your GPA.

Graduate students **【G】** Special auditors /Special research students in graduate school
【SG】 and Research students **【R】**

- ◆ Grade; Pass (P), Fail (F), Drop(X)
- ◆ The grade does not affect your GPA.

Judgement	Pass				Failure [F]
Evaluation	Excellent [AA]	Very Good [A]	Good [B]	Fair [C]	
Score (out of 100)	100 – 90	89 – 80	79 – 70	69 – 60	59 – 0

Note that students who attend less than two-thirds of the classes cannot receive any credits.

10. Class Hours

1st period: 8:40 - 10:10

2nd period: 10:25 - 11:55

3rd period: 12:55 - 14:25

4th period: 14:40 - 16:10

5th period: 16:25 - 17:55

Office hour

Full-time instructors are available for questions and consultation during this time. (→[p.21](#))

	1 st period	2nd	3 rd	4 th	5th
Monday					
Tuesday					
Wednesday		Kashima		Yoshisato	
Thursday		Masden			
Friday					

11. List of Japanese Classes

※For undergraduate students, Japanese A - D are compulsory and Japanese I - IV are elective foreign language subjects.

【Japanese Language Subjects】

Level	Course Titles	Course Code ※Auditing students see p.7~8	Course Subject	Instructor	Day	Time	Classroom
K7	Japanese A-1a	A3001	Advanced Oral Expressions II	Kashima	Thu	4	3C
	Japanese A-2b	A3023	Academic Writing Expressions	Yoshisato	Wed	3	3C
	Japanese B-1a	A3041	Advanced Listening Comprehension & Vocabulary II	Nakamura	Mon	3	3C
	Japanese B-1b	A3044	Advanced Grammar A II	Koga	Thu	1	(3C)
	Japanese C-1a	A3081	Advanced Grammar B II	Kosaka	Thu	3	3C
	Japanese D-1a	A3123	Advanced Reading A II	Masden	Fri	2	(2D)
	Japanese D-1b	A3122	Advanced Reading B II	Ooba	Wed	4	3C
K6	Japanese IV-1d	A3384	Pre-advanced Grammar II	Nakamura	Mon	2	3C
	Japanese IV-2a	A3411	Pre-advanced Oral Expressions	Koga	Thu	3	2B
	Japanese IV-1f	A3386	Pre-advanced Reading II	Tsuru	Wed	4	2B
	Japanese IV-2m	A3423	Pre-advanced Academic Reading	Kashima	Mon	4	(2D)
	Japanese IV-1r	A3397	Pre-advanced Academic Listening Comprehension II	Akaki	Wed	2	2D
	Japanese IV-2s	A3435	Pre-advanced Writing	Michimoto	Fri	4	(2B)
K5	Japanese III-1s	A3339	Upper-Intermediate Extensive Reading & Vocabulary II	Yoshisato	Thu	2	(2D)
	Japanese III-2t	A3377	Upper-Intermediate Oral Expression	Ooba	Wed	2	3C
	Japanese III-1h	A3328	Upper-Intermediate Grammar II	Akaki	Wed	3	2D
	Japanese III-1j	A3330	Upper-Intermediate Reading II	Katayama	Tue	4	2D
	Japanese II-1r	A3338	Upper-Intermediate Listening Comprehension II	Katayama	Thu	5	2A
K4	Japanese II-2a	A3296	Intermediate Reading & Grammar a	Kashima	Tue	1	2B
	Japanese II-2b	A3297	Intermediate Reading & Grammar b	Kosaka	Thu	1	2B
	Japanese II-2c	A3298	Intermediate Conversation a	Yoshisato	Wed	1	2B
	Japanese II-2d	A3299	Intermediate Conversation b	Yonawa	Fri	1	2B
K3	Japanese I-2a	A3231	Lower-Intermediate Conversation*Grammar a	Kashima	Wed	1	3B
	Japanese I-2b	A3232	Lower-Intermediate Conversation*Grammar b	Masden	Thu	1	3B
	Japanese I-2c	A3233	Lower-Intermediate Conversation*Grammar c	Yoshisato	Fri	1	3B

12. Classroom

General Education Building locate at Kurokami North campus.

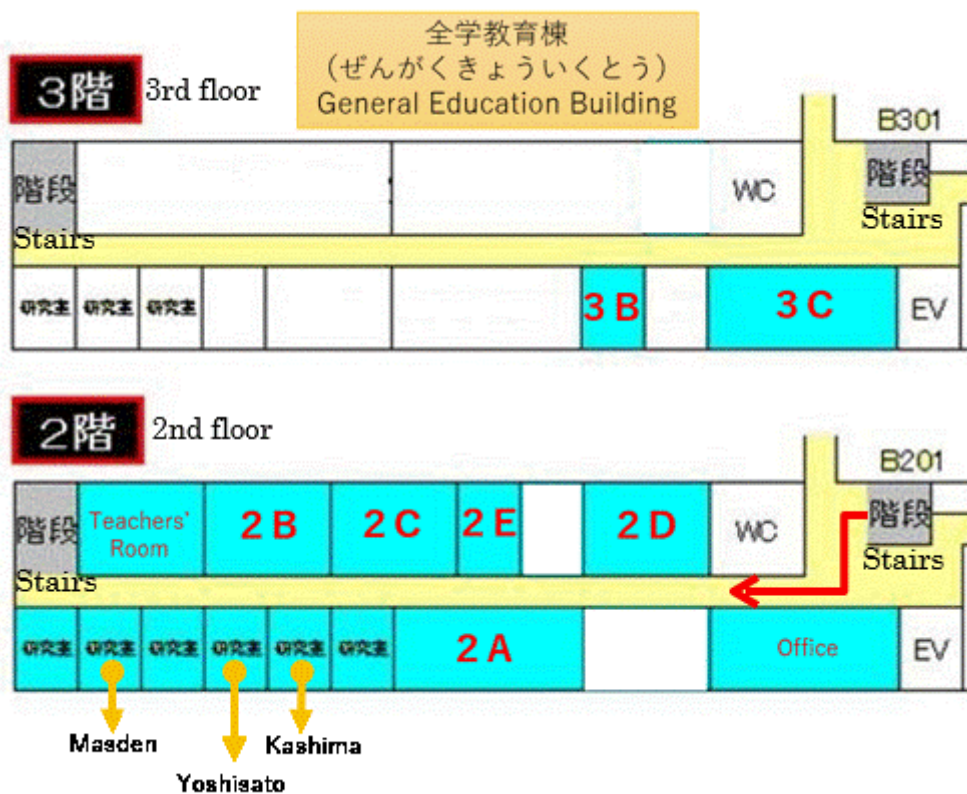
campus map



▶ Eng. Version

Kurokami North E1
(General Education Building)
Blue zone

<https://ewww.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/en/about/access/campus/>



13. 時間割 / Timetable

	1限(8:40-10:10)					2限(10:25-11:55)				
	レベル	授業科目名	授業テーマ	担当教員	教室	レベル	授業科目名	授業テーマ	担当教員	教室
	Level	Course Title	Course Subject	Instructor	Classroom	Level	Course Title	Course Subject	Instructor	Classroom
月						1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	大庭 Ooba	2A
						6	IV-1d	中上級文法 II	中村	3C
火						1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	日隈 Hinokuma	2A
						2	IJ-2	日本語研修コース(中級) Intensive Japanese Course	江崎 Ezaki	2C
	4	D-1a	中級前半読解・文法 a	鹿嶋	2B	7	D-1a	上級読解 A II	マスデン	2D
Tue										
水						1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	道本 Michimoto	2A
	3	I-2a	初中級会話・文法 a	鹿嶋	3B	5	III-2t	中級後半口頭表現	大庭	3C
	4	II-2c	中級前半会話 a	吉里	2B	6	IV-1r	中上級聴解 II	赤木	2D
Wed										
木						1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	赤木 Akaki	2A
						2	IJ-2	日本語研修コース(中級) Intensive Japanese Course	與繩 Yonawa	2C
	5-6	B-1b	上級文法 A II	古賀	3C	4	III-1s	中級後半多読・語彙 II	吉里	2D
Thu	3	I-2a	初中級会話・文法 b	マスデン	3B					
	4	II-2b	中級前半読解・文法 b	小坂	2B					
金						1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	道本 Michimoto	2A
	3	I-2c	初中級会話・文法 c	吉里	3B					
Fri	4	II-2b	中級前半会話 b	與繩	2B					

3限(12:55-14:25)					4限(14:40-16:10)					5限(16:25-17:55)				
レベル	授業科目名	授業テーマ	担当教員	教室	レベル	授業科目名	授業テーマ	担当教員	教室	レベル	授業科目名	授業テーマ	担当教員	教室
Level	Course Title	Course Subject	Instructor	Classroom	Level	Course Title	Course Subject	Instructor	Classroom	Level	Course Title	Course Subject	Instructor	Classroom
2	IJ-2	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	江崎 Ezaki	2A										
7	B-1a	上級聴解・語彙Ⅱ	中村	3C	6	IV-2m	中上級アカデミック読解	鹿嶋	2D					
1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	日隈 Hinokuma	2A										
					5	III-1j	中級後半読解Ⅱ	片山	2D					
7	A-2b	上級文章表現	吉里	3C	7	D-1b	上級読解 BⅡ	大庭	3C					
5	III-1h	中級後半文法Ⅱ	赤木	2D	6	IV-1f	中上級読解Ⅱ	津留	2B					
1	IJ-1	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	吉里 Yoshisato	2A										
7	C-1a	上級文法 BⅡ	小坂	3C	7	A-1a	上級口頭表現Ⅱ	鹿嶋	3C	5	III-1r	中級後半聴解Ⅱ	片山	2A
6	IV-2a	中上級口頭表現	古賀	2B										
1	IJ-2	日本語研修コース(初級) Intensive Japanese Course	中村 Nakamura	2A										
					6	IV-2s	中上級作文	道本	2B					

14. List of Instructors

【Full-time instructors】

MASDEN, Mariko (マズデン)

KASHIMA, Megumi (鹿嶋)

YOSHISATO, Sachiko (吉里)

【Part-time instructors】

AKAKI, Shouko (赤木)

EZAKI, Tsuneyo (江崎)

OOBA, Rieko (大庭)

KATAYAMA, Kiyomi (片山)

KOGA, Michiru (古賀)

KOSAKA, Reiko (小坂)

SADANAGA, Yuuko (定永)

TSURU, Noriko (津留)

NAKAMURA, Naomi (中村)

HINOKURA, Tomoko (日隈)

MICHIIMOTO, Yuuko (道本)

YONAWA, Tomoko (與縄)