

***Please be sure to check pages 4-10 and decide which course (level) you wish to take.**

Academic year 2026

Short-term Japanese Program

Program Guidelines

Winter Course

Center for Japanese Language

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[Inquiry Form] <https://forms.office.com/r/SaNLH5c0Yi>

[URL] <http://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/en/>



1. Program Outline

The Short-term Japanese program is organized and run by the Center for Japanese Language at Waseda University. In this program, we welcome students who have a strong intellectual curiosity, and a high motivation to learn, and an interest in the Japanese language and culture. We provide an opportunity for individual students to proactively learn Japanese.

2. Schedule



Classes : December 3, 2026 - December 22, 2026

日付 / Date			時間 / Time	内容 / Contents
12/3	木	Thu	10:00-(予定)	オリエンテーション / Orientation
			13:10-16:45	授業 (教科書を使った授業) Class - textbook-based lessons
12/4	金	Fri	13:10-16:45	授業 (コミュニケーション活動) Class - communication activities
12/5	土	Sat		
12/6	日	Sun		
12/7	月	Mon	13:10-16:45	授業 (教科書を使った授業) Class - textbook-based lessons
12/8	火	Tue		
12/9	水	Wed		
12/10	木	Thu		
12/11	金	Fri		授業 (コミュニケーション活動) Class - communication activities
12/12	土	Sat		
12/13	日	Sun		
12/14	月	Mon	13:10-16:45	授業 (教科書を使った授業) Class - textbook-based lessons
12/15	火	Tue		
12/16	水	Wed		
12/17	木	Thu		
12/18	金	Fri		授業 (コミュニケーション活動) Class - communication activities
12/19	土	Sat		
12/20	日	Sun		
12/21	月	Mon	13:10-16:45	授業 (教科書を使った授業)
12/22	火	Tue	13:10-16:45	Class - textbook-based lessons
			17:00-17:30	クロージングセレモニー / Closing Ceremony

*Classes will not be held on the shaded days.

3. Tuition Fee



115,600 yen

*For those participants in this program who are entering Japan from overseas, Waseda University will introduce an overseas travel insurance at the time of enrollment procedures for those who wish to take the insurance. The insurance fee is not included in the tuition fee, so it will be collected separately. Please check the "Guidelines for Enrollment Procedures" sent to successful applicants for details.

4. Housing



It is a student's responsibility to find her/his own accommodation. You can apply accommodations through the related business operators. Please directly apply to the related business operators.

- Waseda University Academic Solutions Corporation *Homestay etc.
- Dormy introduced by Kyoritsu Maintenance Co. *Dormitories with meals
- Waseda University Property Management Student Housing Center *Shared house etc. *Minimum stay 1 month or more.
- WASEDA University Co-op Service Center *Dormitory with meals

5. Offered Courses[Level]



We are offering three courses(three levels) in 2026. Please check the levels and content of each course carefully from the next page, and select the course you wish to take when you apply. **You can only select one course(level), and you cannot change your course(level) after submitting your application.**

Course	Outline
Japanese(Short-term) Beginner	Courses that use textbooks to comprehensively study Japanese. Please see pages 4-10 for details of each course.
Japanese(Short-term) I	
Japanese(Short-term) II	

Course	Level
Japanese(Short-term) Beginner	CEFR A1 / Starter
Japanese(Short-term) I	CEFR A2 / Beginner
Japanese(Short-term) II	CEFR A2.2 / Elementary

6. Events



In the 2025 program, we held a campus tour and events for interacting with Waseda University students and cultural experiences. We will announce the events for 2026 on our website as soon as they are decided.



※ The Japanese version of this document is available on the following website.
<https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/applicants/s-term/admission/>

List of courses (levels)

***Please decide which course(level) you wish to take.**
***You cannot change your course(level) after submitting your application.**

1. Textbooks for Each Course



Please check the following website to check which textbook content matches the level you wish to study for each course.

<https://marugotoweb.jp/en/index.php>

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Course	Level
Japanese(Short-term) Beginner	Marugoto: Japanese language and culture Starter A1 Coursebook for communicative language
Japanese(Short-term) I	Marugoto: Japanese Language and Culture Elementary1 A2 Coursebook for communicative language activities
Japanese(Short-term) II	Marugoto: Japanese Language and Culture Elementary2 A2 Coursebook for communicative language activities

2. Course Details [objectives, contents, etc]



Please be sure to check the course objectives, prerequisite, and contents for each course.

Course	Details
Japanese(Short-term) Beginner	Refer to pages 5-6 of this document.
Japanese(Short-term) I	Refer to pages 7-8 of this document.
Japanese(Short-term) II	Refer to pages 9-10 of this document.

(1) 日本語(短期)入門 / Japanese (Short-term) Beginner

This class is a beginner level class for those who have mastered both Hiragana and Katakana. There are two types of lessons: textbook-based lessons and communicative activities.

- In textbook-based lessons, students comprehensively develop the four skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Through practice and tasks, students will increase the number of things they can accomplish using Japanese. Basic vocabulary and grammar will also be studied.
- In communication activities, students will engage in weekly activities conducted in Japanese such as having a conversation and conducting interviews with Japanese speakers.

Course Objective, Level

Level	CEFR A1 / CJL Standards 0(second-half) / Starter
Course Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can exchange greetings 2. Can talk about you simply 3. Can talk about your schedule 4. Can talk about what you did on your holiday
Prerequisite	<p>✓ Can read and write both Hiragana and Katakana</p> <p>[Note]</p> <p>*This is NOT a course for complete zero beginners.</p> <p>*Completion of hiragana and katakana study is required before enrolling in the course.</p>

Course Contents

① Textbook



まるごと日本語 日本のことばと文化 入門 A1「かつどう」
(三修社)

Marugoto: Japanese language and culture
Starter A1 Coursebook for communicative
language activities (Sanshusha)

Table of contents:

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/starter_activities_contents.pdf

Sample:

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/starter_activities_sample.pdf



② List of sentence patterns covered in this course

https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/assets/uploads/2024/11/Short-term_Beginner.pdf

(1) 日本語(短期)入門 / Japanese (Short-term) Beginner

Credit, Course Schedule, Evaluation

Credit	2
Before / After course of study	Students are required to read textbooks on the subject in preparation for the class. Students are also required to prepare for their presentations outside of class time. Grammar homework is sometimes required, and it takes approximately 60 to 120 minutes per session for preparation, review, and homework.
Course Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">●Textbook-based lessons From Monday to Thursday, lessons are based on the textbook, and students will study CEFR A1 level tasks and the language and grammar necessary to complete these tasks. <ul style="list-style-type: none">●Communication activities Communication activities are held every Friday. Students talk about their hobbies and interests in groups, and also conduct interview activities with Japanese speakers.
Evaluation	(1)Test (Summary Quiz) 30% (2)Ordinary performance evaluation 70% <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Assignments 20%-Presentation 20%-Class participation, Attendance etc. 30%

(2) 日本語(短期)I / Japanese (Short-term) I

This class is a beginner level class for those who have completed their introductory studies. There are two types of lessons: textbook-based lessons and communicative activities.

- In textbook-based lessons, students comprehensively develop the four skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Through practice and tasks, students will increase the number of things they can accomplish using Japanese. Basic vocabulary and grammar will also be studied.
- In communication activities, students will engage in weekly activities conducted in Japanese such as interview with Japanese speakers, presentation of simple survey results.

Objective, Level

Level	CEFR A2 / CJL Standards 1(second-half) / Beginner
Course Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Can hold simple daily conversation and interviews.2. Can make simple presentations in Japanese.3. Can read simple sentences written about familiar things.4. Can write short sentences about yourself.
Prerequisite	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Can read and write Hiragana and Katakana.✓ Can exchange greetings and reply to simple questions.✓ Can talk about you simply.✓ Can read menus and signs along with pictures.✓ Can write simple information such as names and addresses in Hiragana and Katakana.

Course Contents

① Textbook



まるごと日本語 日本のことばと文化 初級1 A2「かつどう」
(三修社)

Marugoto: Japanese Language and Culture
Elementary1 A2 Coursebook for communicative
language activities” (Sanshusha)

Table of contents:

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/elementary1_activities_contents.pdf



Sample:

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/elementary1_activities_sample.pdf

② List of sentence patterns covered in this course

https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/assets/uploads/2024/11/Short-term_one.pdf

(2) 日本語(短期)I / Japanese (Short-term) I

Credit, Course Schedule, Evaluation

Credit	2
Before / After course of study	Students are required to read textbooks on the subject in preparation for the class. Students are also required to prepare for their presentations outside of class time. Grammar homework is sometimes required, and it takes approximately 60 to 120 minutes per session for preparation, review, and homework.
Course Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">●Textbook-based lessons From Monday to Thursday, lessons are based on the textbook, and students will study CEFR A2 level tasks and the language and grammar necessary to complete these tasks.●Communication activities Communication activities are held every Friday. The first half of the course involves activities where participants research and give presentations on a specific theme. Each participant will present individually. The second half of the course is an interview activity. Students will interview Japanese speakers and present their findings in class. Students will work in groups to conduct interviews and present their findings.
Evaluation	(1)Test (Summary Quiz) 30% (2)Ordinary performance evaluation 70% <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Assignments 20%-Presentation 30%-Class participation, Attendance etc. 20%

(3) 日本語(短期)Ⅱ / Japanese (Short-term) Ⅱ

This class is an elementary (upper beginner) level. There are two types of lessons: textbook-based lessons and communicative activities.

- In textbook-based lessons, students comprehensively develop the four skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Through practice and tasks, students will increase the number of things they can accomplish using Japanese. Basic vocabulary and grammar will also be studied.
- In communication activities, students will engage in weekly activities conducted in Japanese such as interview with Japanese speakers, presentation of simple survey results.

Objective, Level

Level	CEFR A2.2 / CJL Standards 2 / Elementary
Course Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can hold daily conversations and interviews 2. Can make a presentation on what you have investigated, express opinions, and make comments 3. Can analyze survey results 4. Can write a simple composition which introduces your hometown
Prerequisite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Can hold simple daily conversation and interviews. ✓ Can make simple presentations in Japanese. ✓ Can read simple sentences written about familiar things. ✓ Can write short sentences about yourself.

Course Contents

① Textbook



まるごと日本語 日本のことばと文化 初級2 A2「かつどう」
(三修社)

Marugoto: Japanese Language and Culture
Elementary2 A2 Coursebook for communicative
language activities (Sanshusha)

Table of contents :

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/elementary2_activities_contents.pdf

Sample:

https://marugoto.jpf.go.jp/assets/docs/about/elementary2_activities_sample.pdf

② List of sentence patterns covered in this course

https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/assets/uploads/2024/11/Short-term_two.pdf

(3) 日本語(短期)Ⅱ / Japanese (Short-term) Ⅱ

Credit, Course Schedule, Evaluation

Credit	2
Before / After course of study	Students are required to read textbooks on the subject in preparation for the class. Students are also required to prepare for their presentations outside of class time. Grammar homework is sometimes required, and it takes approximately 60 to 120 minutes per session for preparation, review, and homework.
Course Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Textbook-based lessons <p>From Monday to Thursday, lessons are based on the textbook, and students will study CEFR A2.2 level tasks and the language and grammar necessary to complete these tasks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Communication activities <p>Communication activities are held every Friday. The first half of the course involves activities where participants research and give presentations on a specific theme. Each participant will present individually. The second half of the course is an interview activity. Students will interview Japanese speakers and present their findings in class. Students will work in groups to conduct interviews and present their findings.</p>
Evaluation	<p>(1)Test (Summary Quiz) 30%</p> <p>(2)Ordinary performance evaluation 70%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Assignments 20% -Presentation 30% -Class participation, Attendance etc. 20%