

The Japan Center for Michigan Universities Intermediate Japanese (Level 3)

Course Description

This course is designed for students who have successfully completed Japanese courses at a college level for a minimum of two years, or for those who have obtained a comparable level of competency as to be able to function orally in a wide variety of everyday situations (formal/informal, respectful/humble, male/female, etc.), to comprehend Japanese passages on more technical topics, to write a total of approximately 300 basic *kanji* in various contexts, to compose an essay and to deliver a speech in front of native speakers of the language.

Course Objectives

By the completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. talk about themselves or their experiences in a complex and sophisticated manner;
2. identify a total of about 500 *kanji* including the ones introduced in lower levels;
3. summarize, explain and discuss various topics such as educational systems, history, geography, language styles, religious and technology;
4. exhibit a wider appreciation of Japanese customs, culture and social phenomena; and
5. make speeches on some topics of their interest by using a variety of more sophisticated and complex structural patterns to be introduced on this level.

Coverage

Tobira L.3 ~ L.12

Textbooks

- Oka et. al. *Tobira Gateway to Advanced Japanese*
- Oka et. al. *Tobira Gateway to Advanced Japanese "Kanji Workbook"*

Other Materials

- Worksheets and handouts

Grading and Attendance

Classroom participation and dialogue presentation 25%

Assignments / Homework	10%
Quizzes	15%
Weekly tests and final examination	45%
Presentation	5%