

Japanese I	
Course number	8555
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Link / Ms Gelenk
ECTS	2.5
Number of semester hours	2
Workload	75 h
Type	Elective
Duration	1 Term
Type of exam	Written exam in Japanese language (90 min.)
Objectives	<p>The student is able to name about 200 Japanese words and to point out the basic grammar rules with about 10 different kinds of sentence structures. He is able to apply about 10 particles the functions of which determine the meaning of the sentence. He is able to distinguish between 2 kinds of Japanese characters: Hiragana and Katakana.</p> <p>The student is enabled to tell and ask certain things in limited situations by using a basic level of Japanese. He is able to read simple Japanese sentences written in Hiragana and Katakana. He is enabled to speak Japanese in correct pronunciation.</p> <p>By learning a language and getting to know a culture completely different from those of European countries, the student is capable of opening a door to a new world and widen his view.</p> <p>In the future, when the student has a chance to meet Japanese people or work together in a business setting, he is enabled to build up better relationships with Japanese partners by using the Japanese language and to do business more successfully</p>
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review and memorize Japanese vocabulary (at least 15 to 20 words every lesson) to build up vocabulary. 10 to 15 words will be tested in a small quiz every lesson. This quiz will be written in Hiragana and Katakana characters. - Short dialogues between the students by using learned vocabulary and sentences. - Acquiring the basic grammatical knowledge of the Japanese language. <p>In addition to the above goals, I would like to introduce traditional Japanese culture as well as modern Japanese culture. I am going to take questionnaires to students to find out what students want to know about Japan beside the Japanese language.</p>
Bibliography	- "Minna no Nihongo shokyu 1" von Suri-A Network (ISBN 4-88319-102-8)

	<p>- "Minna no Nihongo 1" Translation & Grammatical Notes (ISBN 4-88319-108-7)</p> <p>- "Minna no Nihongo 1" Übersetzungen & Grammatikalische Erklärungen (ISBN 4-88319-239-3)</p>
Forms of instruction	Lecture + practice
Language of instruction	As far as possible, instruction in all language electives will be held in the target language including supplementing explanations in German and/or English. The only exceptions are Japanese I + II where the language of instruction is English
Availability	Every summer and winter term
Remarks	<p>The main language in class is Japanese. However, English will be used for the students (who may include international students) to ensure a better understanding of the lessons.</p> <p>I hope this class will be fruitful for students and increase their interest in Japan. I suppose Japan seems to be a country far from Germany for students, but I wish this class will lead to students being closer to</p> <p>Japan and establish a better understanding of Japan and Japanese people.</p>