

2021 LATE SUMMER CONVERSATIONAL JAPANESE

Please Note: Due to COVID-19, all of these courses will be conducted online via Zoom. To participate fully, you will need access to a device with internet, microphone, and camera (such as a laptop, smartphone, or tablet). Please note that all times listed are New York time (ET).

The below curriculum is conversation-intensive, with the aim of strengthening the student's ability to communicate effectively in social situations. The course materials will emphasize vocabulary and grammar that are useful in everyday activities. Each class meets twice a week for a total of 18 hours of instruction. These courses are structured for adults age 16 or older. (Please see Education or Kids & Family for offerings for younger students.)

PLEASE NOTE: all courses below have been renamed and/or restructured, so please pay careful attention to which level you are registering for.

If you are unsure of which Conversational level is right for you, please take a look at the sample materials for each class (TBD link, please email us at language@japansociety.org to request).

Conversation: C 1-2

For students who have **finished Level 1 or 2** of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent.

For students with some background in Japanese. Some social/situational survival skills will also be introduced. **The same content is taught every semester.**

Required Textbook: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Starter (A1) Katsudoo

C 1-2, Section A

Mon. & Wed.,

Aug. 9 – Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)

Instructor: **Kakutani**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 1-2, Section B

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Nakamura**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 1-2, Section C

Mon. & Wed.,

Aug. 9 – Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)

Instructor: **Shio**

12 – 2 pm

Conversation: C 3-4

For students who have **finished Level 3 or 4** of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent.

The course will focus on skills needed to survive in Japan. Frequently used expressions will be practiced in context. The course is taught in two parts (odd chapters and even chapters); the **odd chapters** of the textbook will be covered this semester.

Required Textbook: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Elementary 1 (A2) Katsudoo

C 3-4, Section A

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kurahara**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 3-4, Section B

Mon. & Wed.,

Aug. 9 – Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)

Instructor: **Kitaura**

12 – 2 pm

Conversation: C 5-6

For students who have **finished Level 5 or 6** of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent.

The course will focus on strengthening speaking skills by having students engage in various exercises. The course is taught in two parts (odd chapters and even chapters); the **odd chapters** of the textbook will be covered this semester.

Required Textbook: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Elementary 2 (A2) Katsudoo

C 5-6, Section A

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kitaura**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 5-6, Section B

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kitaura**

12 – 2 pm

Conversation: C 7-8

For students who have **finished Level 7 or 8** of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent.

This course will focus on activities in various situations and language structures (e.g. sentence patterns) which support communication. The course is taught in two parts (odd chapters and even chapters); the **odd chapters** of the textbook will be covered this semester.

Required Textbook: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Pre-Intermediate A2/B1

C 7-8, Section A

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kakutani**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 7-8, Section B

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kakutani**

12 – 2 pm

Conversation: C 9-11

For students who have **finished Level 9, are taking or finished level 10, or are currently taking level 11** of our Japanese Courses, or equivalent. (Level 11 students who are conversationally fluent may prefer Advanced Conversation).

The course will emphasize role-playing by the students in different social and business situations. The focus will be on maintaining a conversation and learning and using situational vocabulary. The course is taught in two parts, first and second half. The **second half** will be covered this semester.

No textbook required.

C 9-11, Section A

Mon. & Wed.,

Aug. 9 – Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)

Instructor: **Kurahara**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 9-11, Section B

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Kurahara**

12 – 2 pm

Conversation: C 11-13

For students who have **finished at least one semester of Level 11** (and are conversationally fluent at that level) of our Japanese Courses or above.

Students will study and discuss various Japanese cultural topics, including social media. New vocabulary and expressions will be introduced. The course is repeatable, and will cover different content every semester.

No textbook required.

C 11-13, Section A

Mon. & Wed.,

Aug. 9 – Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)

Instructor: **Aizawa**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

C 11-13, Section B

Tues. & Thurs.,

Aug. 10 – Sept. 7

Instructor: **Aizawa**

12 – 2 pm

SPECIAL COURSES

For students with no background in Japanese or beginners who do not have previous formal study of grammar.
Students must be age 16 or older.



Casual Japanese with Anime

Mon. & Thurs., Aug. 9 – Sept. 9 (no class 9/6),

Instructor: **Aizaki**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

This course is an introduction to the Japanese language through various popular anime. Students will learn basic vocabulary, elementary conversation, and simple sentence structures. **The same content is taught every semester. No textbook required.**

In this course, you will not learn Hiragana and all of the necessary grammar patterns from Level 1, so this course alone may not prepare you for Level 2. If you plan to continue to Level 2, we recommend that you take a Level 1 course. This course is roughly equivalent to the Casual Japanese with Anime taught by Aizawa-sensei in the 10-week semester.

For students who have taken Level 10 several times, or above.



Keigo & Business: Fundamentals

Mondays, Aug. 9 – Sept. 13 (no class 9/6),
Once-a-week, for 5 classes

Instructor: **Kakutani**

4:00 – 6:00 pm

This course will cover conversational keigo useful for business settings and speaking to one's superiors. Starting with a review of keigo, self-introductions and greetings, students will also

study:

- invitations to parties
- asking questions to superiors
- getting permission/authorization from your boss and clients
- politely refusing offers from your boss and clients

Speech patterns will be practiced using example situations. Students will be guided to recognize commonly made mistakes, and students will also practice writing simple emails. **This content is roughly the same as the Keigo & Business offered in 2021 Late Spring and Summer.**

No textbook required.

TUITION

5-Class Course (Keigo & Business only):

Members **\$160**

Non-members **\$180**

9-Class Courses (Conversational Japanese, Anime):

Members: **\$280**

Non-members: **\$320**

HOW TO REGISTER

Classes fill up quickly! To guarantee a seat in the class, please register *as soon as possible*.

New students with no previous background in Japanese should enroll in a Level 1 course (see Late Summer Japanese Level 1). Students with some background should refer to the [Level Guide](#) or course textbooks to determine the most appropriate class. There is no placement exam. If you are still not sure of your level, it may be possible to schedule a level assessment by phone with the Director. Please email language@japansociety.org to schedule.

At the moment, registration is accepted **online (recommended)** or by phone only, and we are only taking payment in the form of credit or debit cards (no checks or cash). Acceptance will be acknowledged by email.

To purchase or renew a membership, please visit www.japansociety.org/become_a_member and pay **online**. Or, call 212-715-1270 and leave a message; they will get back to you.

To enroll in two or more courses at the combined discount, please call (212) 715-1269 or (212) 715-1293. Discount is applicable when enrolling in two or more 9-lesson courses (not Keigo & Business) within the 2021 Late Summer semester only (includes Conversational Japanese and Japanese (numbered level) Courses.)

Registrants will receive a Welcome Email and Zoom link from language_inquiries@japansociety.org on

the afternoon of Friday, August 6, 2021 (for classes beginning on Monday, August 9, 2021)

the afternoon of Monday, August 9, 2021 (for classes beginning on Tuesday, August 10, 2021)

For more information, please email us at language@japansociety.org, or call at **(212) 715-1269** or **(212) 715-1293**. Please note that while we are working remotely, we may not always be reachable by phone.

PLEASE NOTE

Cancellation Policy: Tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable (including for credit) for any reason after 12 pm, the business day before your class starts. All refunds are subject to a \$20 service charge, including those requested by the deadline date above. No partial registration or auditing is permitted. Please note that cancellations are accepted by phone. Cancellations via e-mail *are not* accepted. Japan Society reserves the right to cancel any course if sufficient enrollment is not obtained. In such a case, students already enrolled will receive full refunds. I also verify that the student taking this class is age 16 or older.


By registering for a course, I accept and agree to the above terms of the cancellation policy.

We do not record these classes, and recording of these classes is prohibited. If a student misses a class, it may be possible to arrange a make-up class in the same semester, if available. More information will be provided in the Welcome Email.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS

Until further notice, textbooks are not available for purchase at the Language Center. Please purchase your book in advance from an outside vendor. Either a digital or print textbook is fine.

<p>C 1-2 Students: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Starter (A1) Katsudoo</p> <p>by Japan Foundation</p> <p>ISBN: 978-4-384-05752-2</p>		<p>C 3-4 Students: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Elementary 1 (A2) Katsudoo</p> <p>by Japan Foundation</p> <p>ISBN: 978-4-384-05754-6</p>	
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<p>C 5-6 Students: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Elementary 2 (A2) Katsudoo</p> <p>by Japan Foundation</p> <p>ISBN: 978-4-384-05756-0</p>		<p>C 7-8 Students: Marugoto Japanese Language and Culture, Pre-Intermediate (A2/B1)</p> <p>by Japan Foundation</p> <p>ISBN: 978-4-384-05758-4</p>	
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C 9-11, C 11-13, Casual Japanese with Anime, and Keigo & Business Students:
No required textbook.

INSTRUCTORS:

All of the Language Center's instructors are native Japanese.

Ms. Yuki Aizaki holds a BA in Theatre from The City University of New York and is a graduate of the teacher training program at The Japan Society. She has taught Japanese privately to beginner and intermediate students.

Ms. Yuko Aizawa has taught at the Sendagaya Japanese Institute in Tokyo, Japan and at the Royal Hawaiian Academy in the United States. She has been an instructor at the Language Center since 1994.

Ms. Yumiko Kakutani has a BA in French Literature from Keio University in Tokyo and is a graduate of Japan Society's Teacher Training Program. She has taught privately in the United States for a number of years (including JLPT and SAT II students). She currently teaches at City College of New York and Baruch College.

Ms. Momoyo Kitaura has a BA from Tokyo Woman's Christian University. She is a certified Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) tester for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). She passed the Japanese Language Teaching Competency test and has over 15 years of experience working at a Japanese language school in Japan. She's also a co-researcher of the National Institute of Language and Linguistics.

Ms. Kazue Kurahara holds a BA from Hunter College and an MA in Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language and TESOL from NYU. She holds teaching certificates in both Japanese and ESL. She has taught Japanese at various institutions, including New York University, Hunter College, Pace University, and The New School. She is the scriptwriter and host of Japan Society's YouTube series "Uki Uki NihonGO! + Culture".

Ms. Kazuko Nakazawa has a BA in Japanese Literature from Tokyo Woman's Christian University and is a graduate of Japan Society's Teacher Training Program. She has taught Japanese privately and in an after-school program in Japan for three years, and privately in the United States for two years. She has been on Japan Society's teaching staff since the summer of 2010.

Ms. Atsuko Shio has a BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences from Hoshi University in Tokyo. She is a graduate of Japan Society's Teacher Training Program.

LATE SUMMER SCHEDULE
Please see next page.

2021 Late Summer Schedule

(all times are Eastern Time U.S. / NYC time)

as of 6/11/2021

	12:00-2:00 pm	2:00-6:00 pm	6:30-8:30 pm
月 曜	Level 1-C (Mon+Thu): Aizaki Aug. 9 - Sept. 9 (no class 9/6)	Keigo & Business (Mon only, 5 times): Kakutani Aug. 9 - Sept. 13 (no class 9/6), 4:00-6:00 pm	Casual Japanese with Anime (Mon+Thu): Aizaki Aug. 9 - Sept. 9 (no class 9/6)
Mon	C 1-2, Section C (Mon+Wed): Shio Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 3-4, Section B (Mon+Wed): Kitaura Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)		Level 1-A (Mon+Wed): Nakanishi Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) Level 2-A (Mon+ Wed): Shio Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 1-2, Section A (Mon+Wed): Kakutani Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 9-11, Section A (Mon+Wed): Kurahara Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) Level 10-A (Part 3) (Mon+Wed): Nakamura Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 11-13, Section A (Mon+Wed): Aizawa Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)
火 曜	C 5-6, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kitaura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7		Level 1-B (Tue+Thu): Nakanishi Aug. 10 - Sept. 7
Tue	C 7-8, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kakutani Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 9-11, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kurahara Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 11-13, Section B (Tue+Thu): Aizawa Aug. 10 - Sept. 7		Level 2-B (Tue+Thu): Mori Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 1-2, Section B (Tue+Thu): Nakamura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 3-4, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kurahara Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 5-6, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kitaura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 7-8, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kakutani Aug. 10 - Sept. 7
	中/上級英会話 Int./Adv. English (Tue&Thu): Milam Aug. 17 - Sept. 16 10:00-11:50 am	初級英会話 Beg. English (Tue&Thu): Milam Aug. 17 - Sept. 16 2:10-4:00 pm	本場ニューヨークで学ぶ英会話 (中級) English (Tue): Milam Aug. 17 - Sept. 14 8:00-9:50 pm
水 曜	C 1-2, Section C (Mon+Wed): Shio Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)		Level 1-A (Mon+Wed): Nakanishi Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)
Wed	C 3-4, Section B (Mon+Wed): Kitaura Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)		Level 2-A (Mon+ Wed): Shio Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 1-2, Section A (Mon+Wed): Kakutani Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 9-11, Section A (Mon+Wed): Kurahara Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) Level 10-A (Part 3) (Mon+Wed): Nakamura Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6) C 11-13, Section A (Mon+Wed): Aizawa Aug. 9 - Sept. 8 (no class 9/6)
木 曜	Level 1-C (Mon+Thu): Aizaki Aug. 9 - Sept. 9 (no class 9/6)		Casual Japanese with Anime (Mon+Thu): Aizaki Aug. 9 - Sept. 9 (no class 9/6)
Thu	C 5-6, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kitaura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 7-8, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kakutani Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 9-11, Section B (Tue+Thu): Kurahara Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 11-13, Section B (Tue+Thu): Aizawa Aug. 10 - Sept. 7		Level 1-B (Tue+Thu): Nakanishi Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 Level 2-B (Tue+Thu): Mori Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 1-2, Section B (Tue+Thu): Nakamura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 3-4, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kurahara Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 5-6, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kitaura Aug. 10 - Sept. 7 C 7-8, Section A (Tue+Thu): Kakutani Aug. 10 - Sept. 7
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金 曜			
Fri		Shodō Kana (Fri): Barringer Aug. 13 - Sept. 10 *2:00 - 3:00 pm* Shodō Kanji (Fri): Barringer Aug. 13 - Sept. 10 *3:15 - 4:15 pm*	
	Shodo for Beginners A (Fri.) Asai Aug. 13 - Sept. 10 *12:30 - 1:30 pm*	Shodō Basic Kanji (Fri): Barringer Aug. 13 - Sept. 10 *4:30 - 5:30 pm*	Shodo for Beginners B (Fri.) Asai Aug. 13 - Sept. 10 *6:00 - 7:00 pm*