

# Fall 2017 21G.503 Japanese III Syllabus

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## II. 教科書 (Textbooks) (Required)

1. “Genki, An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese II, Second Edition”, The Japan Times (available at Kendall Coop)
2. “Genki II Workbook, Second Edition”, The Japan Times (available at Kendall Coop)

## III. 授業の時間と教室 (Meeting Hours and Classrooms)

Section 1 10:05am – 10:55am TBA  
Section 2 12:05pm – 12:55 pm TBA  
Section 3 1:05 pm – 1:55 pm TBA

## IV. コースの目標 (Course Objectives and Procedures)

This course covers Lessons 13 through 18 of *Genki II: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese*. The main objective of this course is to build up four basic skills in Japanese: listening, speaking, reading and writing. At the completion of this course, you will have a good foundation of basic Japanese structures and be able to carry out conversations on familiar topics with native speakers of Japanese.

There are two types of class: (i) Grammar Session and (ii) Drill Session. Please check the daily schedule on Canvas and prepare for each class according to the instruction(s). **The Calendar may change occasionally.**

Throughout the course, we encourage you to do the following:

- Be an active learner!
- Be a good collaborator and help each other!
- Enjoy the class!

## V. オンラインリソース (Online Supplementary Materials and Resources)

Genki: [http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/self\\_en](http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/self_en)

## VI. 評価 (Evaluation)

### A. 出席 (Daily Grade)

You will be given a daily score in Drill Session based on your performance:

- 10 = Excellent/Near-perfect performance, Clearly well-prepared
- 9 = Strong performance with minor mistakes
- 8 = Fair performance but need more improvement
- 7 = Weak performance with mistakes in major areas
- 0 = absent

In order to receive the credit, you have to attend the section you are registered in unless you have made official arrangements with the instructors in advance. If you have to attend a section other than your regular section on a particular day, you must notify the instructor **at least one day in advance**. **There will be no make-up for missed quizzes or daily grades unless you have academic reasons (e.g., attending seminar/special lectures, etc.) or you get sick.**

### B. 試験と小テスト (Exams and Quizzes)

There are two Interview tests, five Lesson Quizzes (20 – 25 minutes long) and one in-class Exam. Many Vocabulary, Dictation, Kanji Quizzes are given throughout the semester. Please check our Canvas Calendar frequently.

### C. 評価基準 (Grading Criteria)

Daily Grade	10% *
Lesson Quiz (x5)	25% **
Interview Test (x2)	10%
One-Hour Exam	10%
Vocabulary, Dictation, Kanji Quizzes	25% ***
Homework	15% ****
Projects (x2)	5%

\* Three lowest daily scores will be dropped during the term.

\*\* One lowest LQ score will be dropped at the end of the term.

\*\*\* Four lowest scores will be dropped at the end of the term.

\*\*\*\*Two lowest scores will be dropped at the end of the term.

Note: In principle, no make-up policy applies for all the quizzes. If you want to make up quizzes, provide us a doctor's note. If you didn't have time to see a doctor, explain your conditions to your instructor. We may/may not let you make up quizzes depending on your situations.

<sup>しゅつせき</sup>  
D. 出席 (Attendance Policy)

1. It is essential that you attend all sessions and keep up with the course work on a daily basis. Keep in mind success in a language course is a cumulative process. If you feel you are falling behind, contact instructors immediately.
2. If you have an unavoidable reason for your absence, please email the instructors before class.
3. Attend the class section you are registered in unless you have made official arrangements with the instructor at the beginning of the semester, or your grade will not be credited.
4. **Be punctual.** Coming in late not only results in missed performances and quizzes that may not be made up for, but also distracts other students. Showing up late may affect your daily grade negatively.
5. No eating or text messaging will be allowed during class.

<sup>しゅくだい</sup>  
E. 宿題 (Homework Policy)

Submit all assignments at the beginning of the class. Your homework will be graded by letter grades (such as “A”, “B+”, etc.). Late submission can be accepted with deduction each day. Assignments turned in after three days will not receive any credits, however.

**VII. Miscellaneous**

1. The Humanities Concentration for Japanese is Japanese I-IV or three consecutive classes above Japanese II. Contact Masami Ikeda (miked@mit.edu) for questions regarding HASS concentration in Japanese.
2. If you are interested in Japanese Minor, please contact Paul Roquet (proquet@mit.edu).
3. Study Abroad Program in Japan: contact Takako Aikawa (taikawa@mit.edu).
4. MISTI Program in Japan: Contact MISTI Japan <http://web.mit.edu/misti/mit-japan/>.
5. The class size policy: this class is limited to 16 for pedagogical purposes. We follow the priority and policy provided by Global Studies and Languages (GSL).