

WASEDA UNIVERSITY (TOKYO)



Variety of classes with different levels are offered, and students have a wide choice of elective subjects and “Theme subjects” according to their goals and interests.

◇University's overview

1. History

In 1882, Shigenobu Okuma, one of the leading political figures of the Meiji Era, founded Tokyo College for Technical Studies (Tokyo-senmon-gakko), with the aim of upholding independence of learning, promoting the practical utilization of knowledge and fostering good citizenship. In 1902, this institution became Waseda University. Waseda University now consists of 13 undergraduate schools, 22 graduate schools and various affiliated research institutes. It has about 2,500 full-time faculty members, and about 56,000 students. In history and tradition and the number and achievements of its graduates and the standard of its teaching and research make it one of the most prestigious and most respected private universities in Japan. The University celebrated the 125th Anniversary of its foundation on October 21, 2007. A tradition of the university is the promotion of international education. Every year Waseda University accepts large number of foreign students.

2. Number of staff and students

Undergraduate Schools
Political Science and Economics/ Law/ Culture, Media and Society/ Humanities and Social Sciences/ Education/ Commerce/ Fundamental Science and Engineering/ Creative Science and Engineering/ Advanced Science and Engineering/ Social Sciences/ Human Science/ Sport Sciences/ International Liberal Studies

Graduate Schools

Political Science/ Economics/ Law/ Letters, Arts and Sciences/ Commerce/ Fundamental Science and Engineering/ Creative Science and Engineering/ Advanced Science and Engineering/ Education/ Human Sciences/ Social Sciences/ Sport Sciences/ Asia-Pacific Studies/ Global Information and Telecommunication Studies/ Japanese Applied Linguistics/ Information, Production and Systems/ Public Management/ Law School/ Finance, Accounting and Law/ Accountancy/ Environment and Energy Engineering/ Teacher Education

Staff Members

Full-time Faculty	1,723
Research Associates	399
Part-time Lecturers	4,099
Full-time Admin	788

Students

Undergraduates	45,192
Graduates	8,609 (as at April, 2008)

3. International Students

International Students	2,830 (93 countries)
*Intensive Japanese Language Students	184
	(as at May, 2008)

Visiting Researchers	215
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◇Contents of the Course

1. Name of the Course

Intensive Japanese Language Program

2. Aims of the Course

The Intensive Japanese Language Program offered by the Center for Japanese Language at Waseda University was established to provide foreigners wishing to major in Japanese studies and/or Japanese Language Teaching or those who are currently engaged in those areas, with intensive courses to improve their Japanese.

3. Number of Students to be Accepted 15 students

4. Qualifications and Conditions of Applicants

(1) Applicants are required to have the ability of Japanese equivalent to about 3,000 to 4,000 words and 600 to 800 kanjis.

(2) Applicant should be undergraduate with a major in one of the following areas:
Japanese Language, Japanese Language Teaching, Japanese Culture and Japanese Studies.

5. Period of the Course (Autumn 2008 Admission)

From September 21, 2008 to September 20, 2009
Fall semester

From September 21, 2008 to March 31, 2009

Spring semester

From April 1, 2009 to September 20, 2009

2009

*Orientation and Placement Test will be conducted

in mid September, 2008

6. Course Descriptions

Courses of the Intensive Japanese Language Program are divided into eight different levels, and each of which offers comprehensive learning of Japanese language. Course and subjects will be determined after a Placement Test which students will take on enrollment to determine the student's level.

(1) Completion of Program

A student who has passed the prescribed examinations and earned 26 credits, 13 credits per semester in principle, is deemed to have completed the program and receives a Certificate of Completion.

(2) Subjects

- Credits given to each subject are based on the number of classes offered in a week.
- The subjects offered by Center for Japanese Language give 1 credit for one 90 minutes- class/week. The subjects offered by other faculties give 2 or 4 credits for one 90 minutes class/week.
- Level 1 and 2 students will take intensive courses (core courses) which consist of 10 or 13 classes per week in order to strengthen their basics. Higher levels offer wider range of choices when students select their subjects.

Type of Classes		Contents	Credits
C J L	Core Courses	Based on textbooks. Comprehensive Japanese learning from the basics to practical application.	5 or 10 or 13
		Based on activities. Mainly focused on training communication skills.	3 or 5
	Skill Subjects	Listening Comprehension, Reading Comprehension, Oral Expression, Written Expression, Grammar, Kanji and Pronunciation.	1/ each
	Japanese Theme Subjects	Lectures or activities about a certain theme related to Japanese society, culture, or Japanese language.	1/ each
Other Faculties		Audit lectures offered by other faculties. *Only 8 level students are available.	2 or 4

(3) Selection of Subjects

- Students will choose their classes according to their levels.
- All classes are held in Japanese.
- As to “core class”, students will choose one of text-based class or activity-based class.
- As to “skill subjects” and “theme subjects”, students will choose number of classes necessary to meet 13 credits as a total.

LEVEL	Goals	Core	Skill & Theme
1	These levels aim to acquire basic sentence patterns, vocabularies and expressions in order to obtain the elementary level of Japanese proficiency to communicate. The student is expected to acquire up to 2000 basic vocabularies and 500 basic kanjis.	10 or 13	0 or 3
2		10	3
3 4	The aim of these levels is to be able to use Japanese expression in various situations by increasing basic and intermediate vocabularies and acquiring broad range of communication skills. Students in these levels will be able to acquire basic Japanese language skills required in daily-life as well as in debating and presentation about different themes and assignments.	8 or 10	3 or 5
5 6		3 or 5	8 or 10
7 8	The aim of these levels is to acquire advanced level of Japanese language needed to participate in university lectures and research activities. Students in these levels will be able to acquire advanced level of communication skills in class discussion, presentation and writing assignments on advanced level of academic, social and cultural themes. The level 8 course students can enroll in up to 2 subjects in different faculty of Waseda University.	—	13

7. Faculty Members

Director Prof. KABAYA, Hiroshi
Associate Director Asso.Prof.IKEGAMI, Makiko

Full-time Faculty Members

Prof. KAWAGUCHI, Yoshikazu
Prof. KAWAKAMI, Ikuo D.Lit
Prof. KOBAYASHI, Mina
Prof. KOMIYA, Chizuko
Prof. SAKUMA, Mayumi
Prof. SUZUKI, Yoshiaki
Prof. TATEOKA, Yoko
Prof. TODA, Takako, Ph.D.
Prof. HOSOKAWA, Hideo D.Ed.
Prof. MIYAZAKI, Satoshi, Ph.D.
Prof. YOSHIOKA, Hideyuki

Visiting Lecturer and Part-time Lecturer 76

8. Extracurricular Activities

The Center organizes a number of extracurricular activities for its foreign students, the purpose of which is to complement their knowledge of Japanese society and culture acquired in the classroom. These activities include watching sports, appreciating performance of Kabuki and going to overnight trip.

9. Number of Credits Given

Number of credits given in this course are according to students' institution systems.

◇Housing

Dormitories will be offered from Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO).

◇Contact

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Intensive Japanese Language Program students 2007-2008

<Asia>

India	1	Indonesia	1
Philippines	1	Korea	32(7)
Cambodia	1	Syrian	1
Thailand	15(1)	China	48(3)
Taiwan	30	Hong Kong	2
Viet Nam	1	Israel	1
Mongolia	1(1)	Myanmar	2
Malaysia	5		

<Europe>

Ireland	1	United Kingdom	13
Italy	5	Austria	2
Netherlands	1	Switzerland	2
Sweden	5(1)	Czech Republic	1
Denmark	2	Germany	13
Norway	2	Estonia	1
France	15(1)	Bulgaria	1
Belarus	1	Belgium	1
Russia	6	Ukraine	1
Spain	3	Slovak	2
Hungary	1	Latvia	1
Lithuania	1	Romania	1

<North America>

United States 15 Canada 5

<Central & South America>

Brazil 1

<Oceania>

Australia 4 New Zealand 3
Papua New Guinea 1 Samoa 1

<Africa>

Egypt 1

Total 255(14)

*Numbers in () is the MEXT program students.2