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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course title	Reading and Writing 2
Category	a. Existing course without changes
Course code	BAJPNC150
Semester	II
Number of credits	4
Day/Time	Tuesday & Wednesday
Name of the teacher/s	Nissim Bedekar
Course description	<p>This course builds upon the foundations established in “Reading and Writing I”. Emphasis will be on developing greater literacy with more complex texts, expanded vocabulary, and increased kanji proficiency. Students will practice writing more structured paragraphs and short compositions while demonstrating improved grammatical understanding.</p> <p>Objective:</p> <p>This course aims to enhance students' Japanese reading and writing proficiency by expanding vocabulary, kanji knowledge, and grammatical accuracy, while also fostering cultural understanding through increasingly complex texts.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the main ideas and details within longer and more complex Japanese texts. • Use a wider range of vocabulary for self-expression in written form. • Compose clear and well-structured sentences and short paragraphs with improved grammatical accuracy. • Read and write a greater variety of kanji confidently and with increased vocabulary acquisition. <p>Exhibit increased awareness of differences between formal and informal written Japanese.</p>
Course delivery	Lecture
Evaluation scheme	Internal: Written Examination End-semester: Written Examination
Reading list	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Genki: An Integrated Course in Elementary Japanese – 2 2. Minna No Nihongo – 1 3. Toppiku 25 – Minna No Nihongo Sakubun 4. 日本語作文II

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course title	Listening and Speaking 2
Category	a. Existing course without changes
Course code	BAJPNC151
Semester	II
Number of credits	4
Day/Time	Tuesday & Thursday
Name of the teacher/s	Fujiwara Yasue
Course description	<p>This course focuses on taking listening and speaking skills to the next level. Students will practice comprehending longer and more nuanced spoken passages. They will also engage in role-plays, discussions, and conversational activities to improve oral fluency, pronunciation, vocabulary acquisition, and the appropriate use of formal vs. informal Japanese.</p> <p>Objective:</p> <p>This course aims to strengthen Japanese listening and speaking skills by focusing on comprehension of complex conversations, improved fluency and accuracy, active participation, expansion of everyday vocabulary, and understanding of cultural nuances in communication.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <p>Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the gist of longer spoken passages and extract key details in everyday conversations. • Participate actively in guided discussions, expressing opinions and responding to others with greater fluency. • Utilize a wider range of vocabulary, informal expressions, and semi-formal speech patterns accurately. • Demonstrate improved pronunciation and intonation for better clarity. <p>Recognize and use culturally appropriate behaviors, etiquette, and nonverbal communication within spoken Japanese.</p>
Course delivery	Lecture
Evaluation scheme	Internal (modes of evaluation): Oral and Listening Examination End-semester (mode of evaluation): Oral and Listening Examination
Reading list	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shadowing: Let's Speak Japanese! – Beginners 2. 新・毎日の聞きとり50日 (下) 3. Nama Nihongo Kyouzai 4. Marugoto A2(1)

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course title	Basic Grammar and Kanji 2
Category	a. Existing course without changes
Course code	BAJPNC156
Semester	II
Number of credits	4
Day/Time	Monday & Wednesday
Name of the teacher/s	Dr Vamshi Krishna B M
Course description	<p>This course expands upon the foundations of "Basic Grammar & Kanji - 1", progressing into pre-intermediate-level grammar concepts and essential kanji. Students will expand their ability to form slightly more complex sentences with varied conjugations and learn to utilize a wider range of kanji in context. Focus will be on integrating grammar knowledge with kanji for improved reading and writing proficiency.</p> <p>Objective:</p> <p>This course aims to expand students' understanding of pre-intermediate-level Japanese grammar, kanji, and vocabulary, enabling them to apply these skills in reading and writing while deepening their awareness of kanji and cultural significance.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <p>Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form more complex sentences, using a wider range of grammar patterns and verb conjugations. • Recognize, read, and write a larger set of kanji, including compound kanji vocabulary. • Construct sentences and short paragraphs integrating learned kanji within appropriate grammatical structures. • Understand how kanji contribute to meaning, word formation, and reading fluency. • Demonstrate an increased awareness of kanji's history and cultural importance
Course delivery	Lecture
Evaluation scheme	Internal: Written Examination End-semester: Written Examination
Reading list	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic Kanji Book – 1 2. Minna No Nihongo – 1 & 2 3. Tomodachi – 2 Compact Japanese – 2

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course title	History of Japan 2 (Meiji-Present)
Category	b. Existing course without changes
Course code	BAJPNC172
Semester	II
Number of credits	3
Day/Time	Monday & Friday
Name of the teacher/s	Rayala Divya
Course description	<p>This course continues the survey of Japanese history, focusing from the Meiji Restoration to the contemporary era. Students will analyze the forces of modernization, Japan's shifting role in Asia and the world, and the evolution of Japanese society through the lens of politics, culture, and international relations. This course aims to foster both historical understanding and advanced Japanese language skills through research and discussion.</p> <p>Objectives</p> <p>This course aims to foster a critical understanding of Japan's transformation from the Meiji Restoration to the present by exploring political, economic, and social changes, analyzing the effects of modernization and global forces, examining cultural shifts, and developing historical research and communication skills in Japanese.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <p>Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the key events, figures, and turning points of Japanese history from the Meiji period onward. • Analyze the process of Japan's modernization and its interaction with global forces. • Identify changes and continuities in Japanese culture, social structures, and national identity. • Utilize Japanese research sources to construct informed arguments about historical events.
Course delivery	Lecture
Evaluation scheme	Internal: Written Examination End-semester: Written Examination
Reading list	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Modern History of Japan: From Tokugawa Times to the Present by Andrew Gordon 2. Japan: A Modern History by Kenneth B. Pyle 3. Inventing Japan: 1853-1964 by Ian Buruma <p>Readings in Modern Japanese History (Custom compilation for primary sources and differing viewpoints)</p>