

**INSTRUCTOR:** Norio Ota

**PREREQUISITE:** AS/JP3000 6.0 or AP/JP3000 6.0 or equivalent.

Students who have not taken AS/JP3000 6.0 or AP/JP3000 6.0 must take the placement test **PRIOR TO ENROLMENT** (call 416-736-5016).

**DESCRIPTION:** Web-based post-advanced Japanese course: to provide further language instruction for those who have completed AS/JP3000 6.0 or AP/JP3000 6.0 at York University or an equivalent course at other institutions, or those who have acquired comparable knowledge of the Japanese language elsewhere. The knowledge assumed consists of the basic [simple sentence based], intermediate [complex sentence based] and advanced [paragraph based] grammar, general and semi-specialized vocabulary, communicative competence enhanced by various sociolinguistic and pragmatic information, and two Kana systems and Kyooiku Kanji [881 Education Characters].

In this course, students are expected to put their acquired knowledge and competence to use. Interpretation, translation, summarization, discussion, debate and web presentation will enable students to become familiar with various topics and use a wide variety of Japanese materials independently. This course requires rather heavy preparation, and many assignments are given. As this is the fourth year course in the Japanese program, students are encouraged to improve their performance by recognizing their own weaknesses and overcoming them. This course is ideal also for those who need a remedial Japanese course to improve their performance. **Kaitee Jooyoo Kanji** 'Revised Chinese characters for daily use' (2136) will be targeted (passive recognition included). **No textbook** is used: all the instructional materials including interactive self-study materials are available on the web site. Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) is used to enhance students' further acquisition of the language.

**FORMAT:** Four class hours per week; rather heavy preparation and assignments. Each class will be conducted in seminar style in order to enhance students' active and creative participation. Students are strongly encouraged to take the initiative in communicative interactions in class. Students are expected to be familiar with current affairs through reading newspapers and watching online TV news for discussion. Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) work.

**EVALUATION:** Tests [**online - Moodle**] - 40%; Oral assignments - 20%; Quizzes and written assignments - 20%; Essay - 10%; Attendance and participation - 10%.

**TEXTS:** Ota, Reading materials [available on the web site]; photo-copied and mimeographed material.

**URL:** <http://buna.yorku.ca/japanese/jp4000.html>

\*\*The availability of AP/JP4000 6.0 depends on the enrolment. If you wish to take it, please enrol as soon as possible.