

Japanese I

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Japanese I has been carefully designed to meet the standards of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). These standards call for a method of teaching that focuses on successful communication through speaking, writing, reading, and listening, as well as a thorough grounding in aspects of culture. Each unit embodies all of these standards in accordance with the theories described in this document. Unit activities blend different forms of communication and culture to ensure that the student meets all standards. Course strategies include warm-up activities, vocabulary study, reading, threaded discussions, multi-media presentations, self-checks, practice activities and games, oral and written assignments, projects, quizzes, and exams. Learning activities in each unit are focused upon a specific theme.

PREREQUISITES: None

COURSE LENGTH: Two semesters

REQUIRED SOFTWARE: None

COURSE OUTLINE:

Semester 1

- Greetings, Introductions, Good-byes and Alphabet
- Calendar (days, months, seasons) and Numbers
- Weather
- Time
- Colors

Semester 2

- Familiar objects and places
- Family
- Food
- Pastimes
- School objects and routine