

■ Course Title: Japanese (Listening Comprehension/Auditory Reading Comprehension)

The course is designed to practice listening to a variety of topics accurately through tasks and exercises that confirm the vocabulary and grammar items learned, while using listening comprehension textbooks appropriate for the level of Japanese language proficiency. In addition, to prepare for the EJU and the JLPT, tips for listening comprehension will be taught, such as how to derive correct answers from keywords and the flow of the conversation. Furthermore, by practicing note-taking and summarizing the contents of conversations and talks of a certain length, the course aims to acquire the academic skills necessary for universities and graduate schools, as well as overall listening comprehension.

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*EJU: Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students

■ Course Title: Japanese (Conversation)

This course is designed to develop oral expression skills from the simple conversational level required for daily life to the academic speaking level required for universities and graduate schools. The goal is to acquire vocabulary and expressions appropriate to each level and to be able to speak in a way that is understood by the listener. Starting with basic oral expressions used in everyday situations, students will develop their ability to explain and express their opinions on familiar topics, and acquire the ability to discuss and present logically on social themes, abstract topics, and specialized fields.

■ Course Title: Japanese (Composition)

This course is designed to develop the ability to express oneself in writing from the elementary level, where students can write their own opinions on daily and familiar topics, to the academic writing level, where students can write reports and essays for universities and graduate schools. The goal is to acquire vocabulary, expressions, and syntax appropriate for each level and to be able to write sentences that will be understood by the reader. Beginning with basic sentences used in everyday situations, students will develop the ability to write coherent sentences on familiar topics with an easy-to-understand structure, and to write logical sentences on social topics and abstract or specialized themes.

■ Course Title: Japanese (Reading Comprehension)

This course is designed to develop reading comprehension skills from the elementary level, which involves reading simple information necessary for daily life, to the advanced level, which involves reading articles and specialized books. Reading comprehension classes are conducted in parallel with multiple reading classes (meaning-oriented classes to develop comprehensive Japanese language skills through repeated input and output activities while enjoying a large amount of reading materials suitable for learners' tastes and levels.), conducted especially in the introductory stage of Japanese language study, and with reading comprehension classes for acquiring strategies to accurately solve reading comprehension questions for the EJU and the JLPT on each level. The goal is to acquire the Japanese language skills necessary to enter universities or graduate schools in a short period of time, repeating the process in a spiral fashion.

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■ Course Title: Japanese Affairs

This course is designed to learn the basic knowledge (culture, customs, social issues, etc.) necessary for living in Japan through lectures, various events, and activities. The goal is to deepen the understanding of Japan as a different culture and the Japanese people in one's own way, by focusing on Japanese culture and social events seen in daily life and comparing them with one's own experiences and with the culture and society of one's own country. Experiencing a wide variety of events and activities outside the classroom, such as seasonal annual events, spring and fall study tours, and appreciation of traditional performing arts, will deepen intercultural understanding.

■ Course Title: Class Seminar

Immediately after entering Bekka, Intensive Japanese Language Program at Takushoku University, students are placed in class seminars according to their Japanese proficiency level. Class homeroom teachers conduct active learning classes with Bekka Student Assistants (Bekka SAs), who are volunteers from Takushoku University undergraduate students. Through interaction with Bekka SAs, various Bekka events, and pre- and post-learning activities, students can learn more about Japanese society, make friends across borders, and enjoy a fulfilling student life. In addition, individual meetings with class teachers are held at any time to provide detailed advice and support regarding study, daily life, and future plans.