

## Brief Course Outline

**Course Title:** Japanese IV

**Course Number and Section:**

JAPANESE

4450 550

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### Course Description:

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This course builds on the skills developed in Japanese 3350 (or equivalence). Students will read such primary materials as newspaper and journal articles, develop skills in conversation, discussion, and public-presentation on topics related to the readings, and develop practical writing skills. This course is NOT designed for native speakers of Japanese who are already fluent in written Japanese. We consider those who finished high school in Japan as over-qualified for the course.

### Learning Outcomes:

Advanced communicative skills (speech and listening( at least at the Intermediate-High level, or higher, of the OPIC scale, or level B1~2 of the Common European Frame of References I(CEFR))

Intermediate-High level reading/writing skills

Knowledge about Japanese culture through reading materials

Computer skills necessary for advanced Japanese study

### Textbooks and Course Materials:

Kamada, O. et al. (2012). \_Authentic Japanese: Progressing from intermediate to Advanced\_ [New Edition]. The Japan Times. (Required)

<https://bookclub.japantimes.co.jp/en/book/b309662.html>

The textbook can be purchased at [Western Bookstore](#) or on [Amazon](#). Cost : \$66.35+tax

Older versions or used books are not permitted.

### Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
small quizzes	Daily	5

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section tests (x4)		10
in-class presentation (x2)	End of each term	25
Class performance	Daily	15
Final Interview	End of the year	25

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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