

UPPER INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE

Prerequisites: Middle Intermediate Course or JLPT N4

Target level: JLPT N3 Level (<http://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html>)

Approach: We follow a task-based, skills-orientated and communicative approach, fostering communicative competence in the target language by giving special attention to the typical idiom of engineering-related and adjacent subject areas. On the basis of their previous knowledge of Japanese, students will thus be guided towards the specific usage of Japanese in academic, scientific and work-related contexts.

Course main objectives:

- To acquire listening, reading, speaking and writing skills at an upper intermediate level in colloquial and contemporary Japanese.
- To acquire grammar, vocabulary, and expressions as well as communication and interpersonal skills in realistic situations.
- To be able to use more than 200 Kanji (Chinese characters) competently.
- To strengthen a positive and confident attitude towards language learning.
- To conduct website research on a chosen topic related to Japanese high technologies.
- To read some basic technical articles.
- To write a short technical report.

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