

Japanese Language Education Division, GlobE 2026A Semester Application Guidelines



Japanese Language
Education Division
Center for Global Education, The University of Tokyo

Course Eligibility

The Japanese language courses of the Japanese Language Education Division, Center for Global Education are open to those who are affiliated with the UTokyo as follows:

① International students, ② Foreign researchers, and ③ Their (①, ②) spouses (★Some classes only).

Non-UTokyo members (excluding category ③) are not eligible to take the courses. Every course has different eligibility requirements, so please make sure to check in advance.

Application qualifications	General Course	Intensive Course	Other Courses
① International Students	✓	✓	✓
② Foreign Researchers	✓		✓
③ Their spouses	✓★		

Please check “[Course Overview](#)” on the website for general information.

Online Registration

The application documents are submitted through Online Application System, available at the website.

For Online Application, check the information of each course.

[Step 1 : System registration]

* For those who have already completed system registration, please move to Step 2.

• For system registration, please prepare the following:

- (1) A copy of Official Student ID/Staff ID card issued by UTokyo
- (2) A statement testifying that the applicant is a spouse of the university's student or researcher ([refer to the template](#))

[Step 2 : Application for Japanese courses this semester]

* You are required to upload a copy of your UTokyo ID every semester even if you have already completed system registration.

- Please take the level check test on the website, then select the appropriate course to apply. Depending on the course of your choice, you may be required to supply additional documents.
- For the deadlines to apply to each course, please refer to the course guideline. No applications will be accepted after the deadline.

NOTE

- Classes will be taught online.
- No credits from UTokyo are granted in the courses offered by the Japanese Language Education Division, GlobE.
- When necessary, the division's faculty members will advise applicants to switch from the class they applied to another class/course which is more suitable for their interests, schedule, or level.
- After registering for the course, we will send you information about the course and important instructions via email until the day before the course begins. Information such as the Zoom URL and course materials can also be checked there.
- The course might be cancelled if enrollment is below the prescribed minimum.

For
Students
Researchers
Spouses ★

General Course

*Classes will be taught online.

* The schedule is subject to change

* This course offers one to several sessions per week to accommodate the busy schedules of UTokyo members. Prior to applying, please review the requirements of the course located on “General Course” of the website.

Course Period

From Tuesday, October 13 to Monday, January 18, 2027

* No classes from December 14 to January 4

* Level 2 Application Practice am / pm, Level 2 Read & Talk, Kanji I / II :

From Monday, October 26 to Friday, January 29

* The following courses are offered as one-term classes in both A1 and A2 (same content):

KAIWA DOOJYOO (only A1)

BUNSHOO O AJIWAW(A1, A2)

(A1) From Tuesday, October 13 to Wednesday, November 18

(A2) From Tuesday, December 8 to Tuesday, January 26 (Class will also be held on Tuesday, December 15.)

Timetables

* In the General Course, classes primarily focus on oral communication (speaking and listening). Among these, the 'Comprehensive Japanese' levels 1 to 5 serve as the base for each level. Please choose and enroll in one level.

* If there are classes available that mach your level, you can also combine them with other optional classes and take multiple classes. However, in the elementary stage, it is recommended to prioritize taking the foundational classes for your better understanding.

* Please check your level from the website and choose the appropriate level based on the result.

URL: <https://www.todai-ic-nihongo.com/center/LevelCheck/nihongo.html> →



* The Comprehensive Japanese courses at level 3 and below, Kanji I , and Kanji II are open to spouses of international students and foreign researchers.

				<Comprehensive Japanese>			<Topic-focused Japanese>		
Level	Level Check Result	CEFR	JLPT	Base	Option				
				Grammar for Daily Use (2/W)	Skills	Oral Practice	Kanji	Communication	Others
Advanced	5	C1	N1	Level 5					Japanese Culture and Society BUNSHOO O AJIWAW
Upper Intermediate	4	B2	N2	Level 4				Intermediate Japanese for Communication II	KAIWA DOOJYOO
Lower Intermediate	3	B1	N3	Level 3	Read & Talk			Intermediate Japanese for Communication I	
Elementary to Intermediate	pre3	A2	N4	Level pre3	Read & Talk				
Upper Elementary	2			Level 2	Read & Talk	Application Practice	Kanji II		
Lower Elementary	1	A1	N5	Level 1			Kanji I		
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*In addition, several courses that are same as those of “General Course: Comprehensive Japanese” are also offered at Komaba Research Campus. For more information, check the following the website:<http://ilc.iis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/english.html>

For
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General Course

* The schedule is subject to change

Timetables

Level 1 <Elementary> Level 5 <Advanced>

Level 1 (Lower-Elementary)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)	Level 1 (A)			Level 1 (A)	Level 1 Easy-Pace
II (10:25~12:10)	Level 1 (B)		Level 1 (B)		
III (13:00~14:45)	Level 1 (C)	Kanji I	Level 1 (C)		
IV (14:55~16:40)	Level 1 (D)		Level 1 (D)		

* The two sessions with colored borders and a white interior represent the base classes for that level. In this semester, Level 1 offers four classes: (A), (B), (C), and (D). All four have the same content.

* Level 1 Easy-Pace is a once-a-week course for beginners that focuses on practical Japanese for survival situations. It is independent of the base class and covers roughly half of the Level 1 content.

Level 2 (Upper-Elementary)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)					
II (10:25~12:10)	Level 2 Read & Talk	Level 2 am	Level 2 am Application Practice	Level 2 am	
III (13:00~14:45)		Kanji II			Level 2 pm Application Practice
IV (14:55~16:40)		Level 2 pm			Level 2 pm

* The two sessions with colored borders and a white interior represent the base classes for that level. Please choose and enroll in either 'am' or 'pm'.

* Classes with the same name, whether 'am' or 'pm', have identical content.

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General Course

* The schedule is subject to change

Level 1 <Elementary> Level 5 <Advanced>

Timetables

Level pre3 (Elementary to InteremEDIATE)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)					
II (10:25~12:10)	Level pre3 Read & Talk	Level pre3		Level pre3	
III (13:00~14:45)		Kanji II			
IV (14:55~16:40)					

* The two sessions with colored borders and a white interior represent the base classes for that level.

Level 3 (Lower-Intermediate)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)		Intermediate Japanese for Communication I	Level 3		Level 3
II (10:25~12:10)		Level 3 Read & Talk			
III (13:00~14:45)					
IV (14:55~16:40)					

* The two sessions with colored borders and a white interior represent the base classes for that level.

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General Course

* The schedule is subject to change

Level 1 <Elementary> Level 5 <Advanced>

Timetables

Level 4 (Upper-Interemediate)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)		Intermediate Japanese for Communication II			
II (10:25~12:10)		Level 4			Level 4
III (13:00~14:45)					
IV (14:55~16:40)	KAIWA DOOJYOO (A1)				

- * The two sessions with colored borders and a white interior represent the base classes for that level.
- * 'KAIWA DOOJYOO' has a duration of one term. While the A2 level will not be offered this term, a short, standalone course covering the same content is scheduled to be offered in January.

Level 5 (Advanced)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I (8:30~10:15)		BUNSHOO O AJIWAU(Advanced) (A2)			
II (10:25~12:10)			BUNSHOO O AJIWAU(Advanced) (A1)		
III (13:00~14:45)				Level 5	
IV (14:55~16:40)		Japanese Culture and Society			

- * The session with colored borders and a white interior represent the base class for that level.
- * 'BUNSHOO O AJIWAU(Advanced)' have a duration of one term. (A1) and (A2) classes have the same content.

Online Registration

The application documents are submitted through Online Application System, available at the website. To complete application, you need to complete the following two steps.

[Step 1 : System registration]



Login page: <https://gate.globe.u-tokyo.ac.jp/Portfolio/sportfolio>

*For those who have already completed system registration, please move to Step 2.

•For system registration, please prepare the following:

(1) A copy of Official Student ID/Staff ID card issued by UTokyo*

•In addition, spouses must supply the following (2).

(2) A statement testifying that the applicant is a spouse of the university's student or researcher
([refer to the sample](#))

[Step 2 : Application for General Courses this semester]

* You are required to upload a copy of your UTokyo ID every semester even if you have already completed system registration.

•Please take the level check test on the website, then select the appropriate level to apply.



You can access to the level check test from here.

< Application Period >

[Application start]

[Application deadline]

① International Students
Monday, September 28, 2026

【Step1】System registration

② Foreign Researchers
Friday, October 2, 2026

: **Wednesday, October 7, 2026**

③ Spouses of ①or②
Tuesday, October 6, 2026

【Step2】Course application

: **Thursday, October 8, 2026**

Please note that the registration deadline for the following class is different.

• Level 2 Application Practice, Level 2 Read & Talk, Kanji I / II

【Step1】System registration: **Wednesday, October 21**

【Step2】Course application: **Thursday, October 22**

• BUNSHOO O AJIWAW (Advanced) (A2)

【Step1】System registration: **Wednesday, December 2**

【Step2】Course application: **Thursday, December 3**

NOTE

* Foreign researchers will need to upload a letter of request from their supervising professor at UTokyo. A sample form can be downloaded from the website.

* Applicants must start attending the course by the fifth day of the course at the latest.

If you are unable to start attending the course by then, consider taking a Short-term Course or Special Themed Seminar.

Contact

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**For
Students****Intensive Japanese Course**

* Classes will be taught online.

* The schedule is subject to change

* Offering elementary to upper-intermediate classes, this course is designed for students who wish to learn the Japanese language intensively within a limited time frame. Prior to applying, please review the class description located on “[Intensive Japanese Course](#)” on the website.

Class Levels and Course Period

◆**Class 2** (Elementary) Time: Period 4 (14:55-16:40)

◆**Class 3** (Lower-Intermediate) Time: Period 1 (8:30-10:15)

Period: From Wednesday, October 14 to Friday, October 30 Total 11 classes for 3 weeks

Application Period: From Monday, September 28

to Wednesday, October 7【Step1】(System registration)
to Thursday, October 8【Step2】(Course application)

◆**Class 4** (Upper-Intermediate) Time: Period 1 (8:30-10:15)

Period: From Monday, November 9 to Friday, November 27 Total 11 classes for 3 weeks

Application Period: From Monday, September 28

to Wednesday, November 4【Step1】(System registration)
to Thursday, November 5【Step2】(Course application)

Please refer to the syllabus for details on class dates.

NOTE

The Intensive Japanese Course is designed to facilitate consistent and effective daily learning for achieving a certain level of proficiency in a short period. Given that irregular attendance can potentially impact not only you but also your classmates' learning progress and outcomes, attendance for all classes is generally expected. If absences are planned before the enrollment stage, please consider taking another term.

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Short-term Japanese Course

The Short-term Japanese Course is offered for UTokyo international students and foreign researchers who are not able to attend class on a regular basis during the semester, or who miss the first sessions of regular courses due to late arrival in Japan. (This is not a course offered on the basis of students' request.) There are courses available for beginners to advanced levels, and each of them consists of a total of 5 - 10 classes over one - two week.

The following classes are currently scheduled to be offered.

◆ **Survival Japanese (November)** (Beginner)

Period: From Monday, November 9 to Friday, November 13

Time : Period 4 (14:55-16:40)

Application period: From Monday, September 28 to Thursday, November 5

In addition, the following classes are currently scheduled to be offered.

Details of the courses will be announced on "[Course Calendar](#)" of the website.

Please note that the application deadline is two days before the start of the course (excluding weekends and holidays), and the deadline for system registration is one day prior to that.

◇ **Survival Japanese (December)** (Beginner)

◇ **Level 1 Further Steps** (Lower-Elementary)

◇ **Level 2 Further Steps** (Upper-Elementary)

◇ **Level 3 Further Steps** (Lower-Intermediate)

◇ **Level 4 Further Steps** (Upper-Intermediate)

◇ **Level 5 Further Steps** (Advanced)

◇ **Let's Complete Elementary Level Japanese!** (Upper-Elementary)

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Special Themed Seminar

The Japanese Language Education Division offers special themed seminars, which cover a specific topic, for one to several days.

We typically offer the following courses each year.

Details of the courses will be announced on “[Course Calendar](#)” of the website.

Please note that the day before the application deadline will be the deadline for system registration.

- ◇ **Kanji First Step** (For Beginners, Non-kanji Background Students)
- ◇ **Greetings and Social Relationships** (For Elementary Students)
- ◇ **Bridge to Level 2** (Lower-Elementary)
- ◇ **Bridge to Level pre3** (Upper-Elementary)
- ◇ **Speak and Listen Well in Japanese** (Intermediate)
- ◇ **Tips on Reading Japanese Kanji for Students with Chinese Language Background**
(Upper-Intermediate)
- ◇ **Greetings and Social Relationships** (For Intermediate to Advanced Students)

Individual Tutoring Sessions are also available via online this semester.
For details, please visit the website.

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