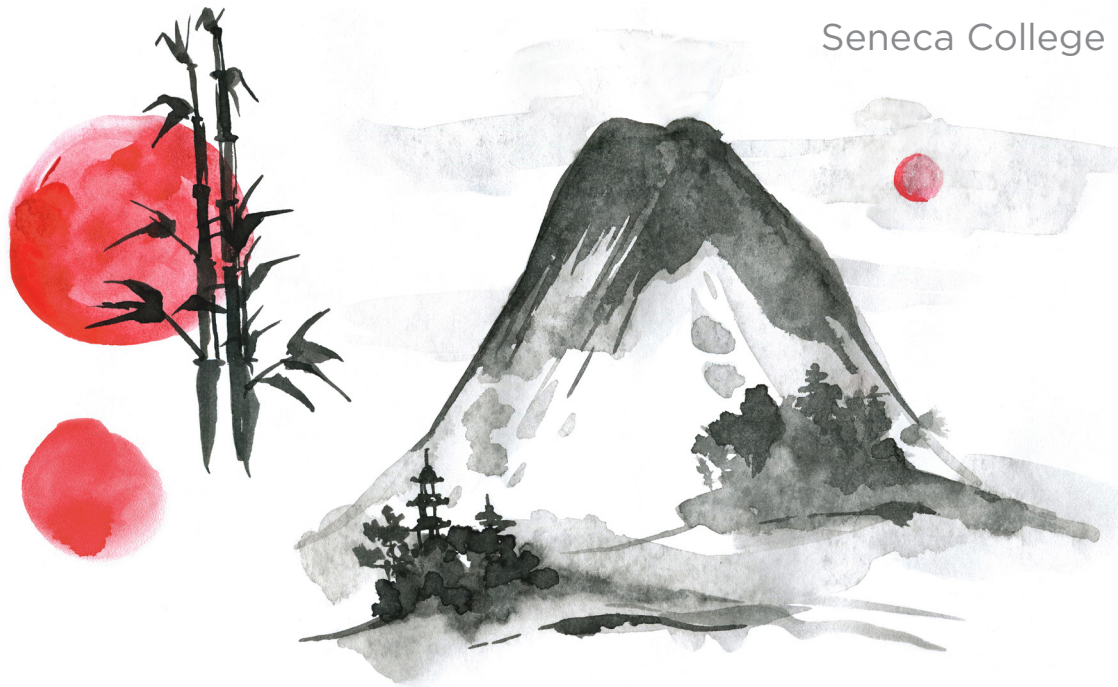


# JAPANESE LANGUAGE SKILLS

Seneca College Certificate



## OVERVIEW

Learn to listen, speak, read and write fluently in Japanese. Our comprehensive Japanese certificate program\* examines various aspects of verbal and written communication - including an understanding of Hiragana and Katakana, vocabulary, sound patterns, and sentence structures - thus building proficiency and refining conversational skills in Japanese. Students will explore Japanese culture and social conventions and participate in interactive, practical lessons designed to advance their personal and professional development.

## CURRICULUM

### Certificate Requirements

LGE182 Japanese Language Skills 1

LGE282 Japanese Language Skills 2

LGE383 Japanese Language Skills 3

LGE484 Japanese Language Skills 4

LGE585 Japanese Language Skills 5

LGE681 Themes in Japanese Language

### Other Courses

LGE686 Japanese Language Skills 6

LGE787 Japanese Language Skills 7

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### LGE182 Japanese Language Skills 1

This introductory course for students with minimal or no knowledge of Japanese will develop the listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills of contemporary Japanese within a cultural framework. A communicative approach and active participation in activities will enable students to acquire a basic foundation of the language for real-life situations. Japanese culture and demonstration of culturally appropriate manners and behaviour will be reinforced. By the end of this course, students acquire reading and writing skills of Hiragana, Katakana and simple Kanji characters.

### LGE282 Japanese Language Skills 2

A continuation of LGE182, this course solidifies and builds Japanese language acquisition in the four skills - listening, speaking, reading and writing. The introduction of more complex structures and interactive classroom activities enables students to communicate effectively at a high beginner's level using Hiragana and Katakana. The unique characteristics of Japanese culture are further explored. Students will also continue to expand their knowledge of Kanji characters.

\*Students with a prior knowledge of the Japanese language must register in LGE001. The Program Assistant will contact you via email to arrange an assessment for placement.

### **LGE383 Japanese Language Skills 3**

Japanese Language Skills 3 continues the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with emphasis on everyday situations. Extensive use of role play will encourage students to use individual self-expression in creating dialogues within given situations, and to demonstrate culturally appropriate manners and behaviours. Students will continue to acquire reading and writing skills of Kanji characters in addition to improving fluency of reading and writing of Hiragana and Katakana characters.

### **LGE484 Japanese Language Skills 4**

Japanese Language Skills 4 continues the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with emphasis on everyday situations. Extensive use of role play will encourage students to use individual self-expression in creating dialogues within given situations, and to demonstrate culturally appropriate manners and behaviours. Students are required to have reading and writing skills of Hiragana, Katakana, and some Kanji (Chinese characters). Japanese culture and its impact around the world will continue to be explored.

### **LGE585 Japanese Language Skills 5**

Japanese Language Skills 5 continues the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with emphasis on everyday situations. Extensive use of role play will encourage students to use individual self-expression in creating dialogues within given situations, and to demonstrate culturally appropriate manners and behaviours. Students are required to have reading and writing skills of Hiragana and Katakana, and some Kanji (Chinese characters). Japanese culture and its impact worldwide will be explored.

### **LGE681 Themes in Japanese Language**

This workshop is for students wishing to practice and/or maintain their Japanese-speaking ability. Students will discuss different topics each week in order to practice their oral skills and improve their vocabulary and overall fluidity. This 30-hour, 10-week workshop is for advanced learners of Japanese language who have completed LGE585 (level 5) or have obtained permission from the department following a prior assessment.

### **LGE686 Japanese Language Skills 6**

Japanese Language Skills 6 continues the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with emphasis on everyday situations. Extensive use of role play will encourage students to use individual self-expression in creating dialogues within given situations, and to demonstrate culturally appropriate manners and behaviours. Students are required to have reading and writing skills of Hiragana and Katakana. Students are required to refine reading and writing skills of Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji (Chinese characters). Japanese culture and its impact worldwide will be explored.

### **LGE787 Japanese Language Skills 7**

Japanese Language Skills 7 continues the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with emphasis on everyday situations. Extensive use of role play will encourage students to use individual self-expression in creating dialogues within given situations, and to demonstrate culturally appropriate manners and behaviours. Further exploration of Japanese culture and discussions on current issues will solidify communication skills. Students are required to have reading and writing skills of Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji (Chinese characters).

## **REGISTRATION**

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