



LEVEL 3 JAPANESE

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What is this course about?

It is time to immerse yourself deeper into Japanese society and culture. It is also a time to consider your future employment opportunities. Remember the enjoyment of being introduced to all the exotic Japanese sounds and tastes over the last few years. You need to prove that your effort has been fruitful by producing good results. Your polished Japanese language and knowledge will help open the door to a prosperous future. Let Japanese be the springboard for your future direction.

Students will learn to:

- interact flexibly in familiar social situations;
- recognise fine details in spoken and written text and draw inferences and conclusions from it;
- use basic language patterns spontaneously and develop and support points of view.

We will study various topics such as: land and people, travel and tourism, work, and media. Students will continue to increase their knowledge of Japan and their Japanese ability with additional study of language and kanji.

It is recommended that students should have knowledge of Japanese equivalent to Level 2 NCEA achievement standards. Those who have not will need to show considerable commitment and seek additional support to achieve, or consider an alternative program to develop competence in communication skills in Japanese.

What sorts of things will I do?

You will focus on the language and culture of Japan, and you will also connect with other Japanese-speaking students in the community and guest visitors.

- Watch Japanese TV and movies and discuss them by comparing trends
- Create and act out role plays with your fellow students with help from the Japanese assistant
- Read monthly magazines in Japanese
- Express opinions about current trends in Japan
- Interpret selected and adapted media (newspapers, magazines, television, movies, popular music)
- Discuss socio-economic concerns in Japan (unemployment, social welfare, education, immigration)
- Understand global issues from the Japanese perspective and express opinions about them
- Read Japanese texts and express points of view
- Research modern trends in Japan

What standards can I enter?

NCEA Level	Standard Number	Name of standard	Version number	Credits	Assessment	Approximate assessment date
3	AS91554	Give a clear spoken presentation in Japanese that communicates a critical response to stimulus material	1	3	Internal	Term 1
3	AS91557	Write a variety of text types in clear Japanese to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives	1	5	Internal	Term 2
3	AS91555	Interact clearly using spoken Japanese to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives in different situations	1	6	Internal	Term 3
3	AS91553	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended spoken Japanese texts	2	5	External	
3	AS91556	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual Japanese texts	1	5	External	

