

Office of the Registrar

COURSE INVENTORY FORM

Check One [ ] Create New Course [X] Temporary Course Offering

1. Has this course previously been offered on a temporary basis? [ ] Yes [X] No If yes, indicate the term offered [ ]

2. Subject Area [JAPN] Course Number [311] Course Title [ADVANCED JAPAN LANG & CULTURE]

3. Term for Implementation (e.g., Spring 2012=201210, Fall 2012=201230) [201920]

4. Official Course Title [ADVANCED JAPANESE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE]

5. Offering Unit (See Table of Code Values.) College [AR] Department [MLNG]

6. Credit Hours Fixed Credit Hours: [3.00] Variable Credit Hours [ ] [ ] [ ]

7. Repeat Limit (See instructions.) [X] Total Maximum Hours (See instructions.) [ ]

8. Grading (Check all that apply.) [X] Standard Letter Grading [ ] Pass/Fail Only [ ] No Grade [ ] In Progress - IP (Course is intended to span more than one term.)

9. Schedule Type (See Table of Schedule Types.) [ ] [ ] [ ]

10. Corequisites (courses required to be taken concurrently with this course) Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number

11. Equivalent Courses (Include South Campus [C suffix] courses and other equivalent courses.) Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number

12. Prerequisites (See instructions.) Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number Subject Area Course Number

13. Course Attribute [OR] Other [EQUIVALENT] [ ] Honors Course [ ] Developmental Course

14. Course Restrictions [ ] Include/[ ] Exclude College [ ] College [ ] Major [ ] Major [ ] Classification [ ]

15. Course Description (Indicate exactly as it should appear in the University Catalog. Include pertinent special information, e.g., course fees, pass/fail grading, field trips, transportation requirements, etc.) Develop language proficiency skills and acquire an understanding and appreciation of Japanese culture for student with a background of two years of college Japanese or equivalent. This active-learning course involves listening and communicating with native speakers of Japanese and use of authentic sites to deepen student understanding of Japanese verbal and non-verbal behavior.

16. Approvals for Temporary Course Only: Department Head Date College Dean Date Graduate Dean Date Provost Office Date

October 2013

Proposal Date: June 10, 2019

**Potter College of Arts and Letters**  
**Modern Languages**  
**Proposal to Create a Temporary Course**  
**(Information Item for First Offering. Action Item for Second Offering)**

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**1. Identification of proposed course:**

- 1.1 Course prefix (subject area) and number: JAPN 311
- 1.2 Course title: Advanced Japanese Language and Culture
- 1.3 Abbreviated course title: Advanced Japan Lang. & Culture  
(maximum of 30 characters or spaces)
- 1.4 Credit hours: 3
- 1.5 Schedule type: L
- 1.6 Prerequisites/corequisites: Japanese 202 or equivalent
- 1.7 Grade type:   X   standard letter grade      pass/fail      in progress (IP)
- 1.8 Course description: To enhance oral and written communication skills and Japanese cultural appreciation of the student with a background of two year of college Japanese or equivalent. The course involves intensive speaking and writing, and places significant emphasis on student immersion experiences with Japanese people and multiple aspects of Japanese culture.

**2. Rationale**

- 2.1 Reason for offering this course on a temporary basis: This first time offering is designed to assess the demand for such a course, and to gather information on language acquisition and cultural encounters in the abroad context. The Kentucky Institute for International Studies and its faculty will work with the Department of Modern Languages to assess the viability of this course as a regular offering.
- 2.2 Relationship of the proposed course to courses offered in other academic units: The course builds on the four semesters of language study available on campus at WKU, and it can become an elective in the Japanese curriculum. It will be of interest to students majoring in Asian Religions and Cultures and in International Affairs.

**3. Description of proposed course**

- 3.1 Course content outline: The goal of this course is to develop proficiency in the four basic language skills and to acquire understanding and appreciation of Japanese culture. Students may expect to listen and speak to native speakers of Japanese in order to enhance their oral and written communication skills and visit authentic sites to deepen their understanding of Japanese verbal and non-verbal behavior. The content of the course will include language and cultural immersion assignments from a course packet and authentic materials. Students will engage in discussions, interviews, writing reports, and small-group active learning activities. A final project will be completed and presented at the end of the course.
- 3.2 Tentative text(s): Course packet with materials to support the location as a laboratory for learning.

**4. Second offering of a temporary course (if applicable)**

4.1 Reason for offering this course a second time on a temporary basis: NA

4.2 Term course was first offered: NA

4.3 Enrollment in first offering: Expected enrollment of 10.

**5. Term of Implementation:** Summer 2019

**6. Dates of review/approvals:**

Department of Modern Languages

Dean, Potter College of Arts and Letters

Office of the Provost

6/18/2019

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