



Japanese Language Class in Department of Civil Engineering provides for international students who will study Japanese along with their research activities and foreign spouses. Courses start in mid-April and mid-October (excluding short-term courses). Students interested in taking one of the courses need to apply during the designated application period before the courses start.



Each course uses a textbook, which matches with the level and meets five times a week, from Monday to Friday (2 hours each time, including time break in between). Normally, there are 10-15 students for each course. Therefore, all students have equal chance to practice Japanese in class and can improve their general Japanese abilities including reading, writing, speaking and listening very quickly.

One more important thing to choose Japanese class here is because of the teachers. We have different teachers every day. All of them are very friendly, helpful and highly qualified with excellent teaching skills, and of course, high-level English ability. Every teacher has her own way to make us remember key points of writing, reading and Kanji. Besides, by having the



option of explanations in English, you can maximize the efficiency of your learning time. I feel very motivated to use Japanese after each lesson.

Not only studying time, teachers also held leisure excursion for our class to Nezu Shrine, where we can enjoy the beauty of Japanese temple architecture, and needless to say, improve mutual friendship among foreign students.

Moreover, in-class-activities during each lesson have helped us to learn Japanese culture, which are very useful for foreigner.



At the end of each course, we have Speech Day, when teachers encourage us to practice our Japanese to make a presentation about any particular topic that we like the most. And this day is by far one of the most memorable days during my time in Japan.

Overall, Japanese class has already become a part of my daily life; I enjoyed it very much and learned a lot in the class. Thank you for what teachers has done for us.