

# Japanese Language Placement Test

CENTRE FOR LANGUAGE STUDIES

Semester 2, AY 2009-2010

TEST DETAILS	
DATE	WEDNESDAY, 6 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2010
TIME	09:00 ~ 0930 Pre-Test Registration 09:30 ~ 11:00 A.M. (Written Test) (Oral test will be held on the same day in the afternoon)
VENUE	Lecture Theatre 10 (FASS)
RESULTS	<b>7 January 2010 at 12:00 nn</b> at CLS website <a href="http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/cls">http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/cls</a>

- Please register for the test with your Matric No., Contact No. (mobile number preferred), Qualification (please give details of where and the period of learning Japanese), and email to [clslelak@nus.edu.sg](mailto:clslelak@nus.edu.sg). (Registration closes on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010).
- Students who have either a 'O', 'AO' or JLPT certificate, must produce their original and a photocopy during the test
- If you are unable to attend the test on the above date due to an **official reason** (proof must be produced), please send an email (before bidding closes) to the above and we will arrange for another test. Module will be offered subject to vacancy.

# NOTICE

Student, (SEP, Cross-Faculty, FASS and other institutions) who have studied the Japanese language outside of NUS including 'O', 'AO' level, private schools and self-study is required to take the Placement Test to determine his/her language proficiency and read higher level Japanese language module. Student enrolled in the module who is found to have previous exposure of the language and have not taken the placement test will be dropped from the module with appropriate penalty (W or F grades)

Please see the list of Japanese Language modules offered by the Centre for Language Studies for placement test opportunities  
(scroll down)



You **ARE NOT REQUIRED** to take the placement test if you have:

- Less than 70 hours of classroom instructions (e.g., know hiragana and katakana only) not covered up to Lesson 13 of "Minna no Nihongo" if you are using this textbook.

## Placement Test Information

- Placement test is only for serious learners who will be taking Japanese this semester. Please check that there is no time-table clash with any of your other modules prior to placement test.
- Prior to test, you are requested to check the textbook *Minna no Nihongo* at the Central Library in order to know which contents the NUS Japanese programme will cover in each level

## Guidelines for the test

**Japanese 2: more than 70 hours**

**Japanese 3: more than 140 hours**

**Japanese 4: more than 210 hours**

**Japanese 5/Business Japanese 1: more than 280 hours** *(for example, if you have studied around 180hrs, we recommend you to take the test for Japanese 3)*

- Placement test consists of two parts: written test and oral test.
- The results and waiver is valid only for this semester

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**List of Japanese Language modules that offer placement test opportunities**

Module Code	Module Description	Pre-requisite	Instructional Hours	Reference
LAJ1201	Japanese 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For absolute beginners.</li> <li><b>NOTE:</b> Students who passed the following modules, placement test or possess certificates, GCE'O' or 'AO' Level Japanese, JLPT Level 1 to 4 or equivalent are not allowed to take LAJ1201</li> </ul>	All Japanese modules have 7 hours weekly classes which consist of 2 hours lectures and 5 hours tutorials	<p>See the following information source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homepage of the Centre for Language Studies at <a href="http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/cls/news#PLACEMENTTEST">http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/cls/news#PLACEMENTTEST</a></li> </ul>
LAJ2201	Japanese 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed LAJ1201 or pass in placement test.</li> </ul>		
LAJ2202	Japanese 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed LAJ2201 or pass in placement test.</li> </ul>		
LAJ2203	Japanese 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed LAJ2202 or pass in placement test.</li> </ul>		
LAJ3201	Japanese 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed LAJ2203 and LAJ3203 or pass in placement test.</li> </ul>		
LAJ3202	Japanese 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed LAJ3201 and LAJ3203 or pass in placement test.</li> </ul>		

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

If in the course of the module it becomes clear that a student has a greater knowledge or background in the Japanese language than he/she has revealed or acknowledged, Centre for Language Studies reserves the right to remove him/her from the class and the module.