

Application Guidelines for Japanese Classes (2026)

Hakodate City will be offering Japanese language classes for people wishing to study Japanese. We have thirty-three classes a year and will soon be accepting applications for enrollment. You may apply at any time.

- **Who can apply?** The class is intended for non-native speakers who wish to learn Japanese.
It is open to anyone free of charge and there is no age limit for participation.
- **Courses:** There are three courses to choose from:
 - **Beginners' course:** For beginners or those who have learning experience of less than 50 hours.
The maximum number of students in this class is 15.
In this class you will:
 1. Study basic conversational Japanese and easy Japanese listening.
 2. Learn to read and write Hiragana and Katakana.
 - **Primary 1 course:** For those who have Japanese learning experience of more than 50 hours.
The maximum number of students in this class is 15.
In this class you will:
 1. Study intermediate conversational Japanese.
 2. Study easy Kanji with the aim of reading and writing sentences.
 - **Primary 2 course:** For those who have conversational Japanese skills at normal speed.
The maximum number of students in this class is 10.
In this class you will:
 1. Study advanced conversational Japanese.
 2. Study Kanji with the aim of reading and writing sentences.
 - **Reading and Writing course:** For those who already have conversational Japanese skills but want to strengthen their reading and writing skills.
The maximum number of students in this class is 10.
In this class you will:
 1. Practice reading common books, newspapers, documents, etc.
 2. Study correct grammar using Kanji.
- **Time:**

Monday evening:	Beginners' course and Primary 1 course	6:45pm-8:00pm
Thursday morning:	Reading and Writing course	9:45am-11:00am
	Beginners' course and Primary 1 course	11:15am-12:30pm
Thursday evening:	Primary 2 course	6:45pm-8:00pm
Sunday morning:	Primary 1 course	10:30am-11:45am
- **Teachers:** Members of Japanese Teaching Society (JTS) will give lessons.
The President of this association is Ms. Katsuko Takahashi.
- **Tuition:** Free
- **How to apply?** Please fill out an application form and bring or send it by mail or fax to the International Affairs Section of City Hall, HIF or JTS.
- **Where to apply?**
 - ① The International & Intercity Affairs Section, Planning Department (6th floor) of City Hall
4-13 Shinonome-cho, Hakodate City 040-8666 Tel: 0138-21-3619 Fax: 0138-23-7604
hkd-intl@city.hakodate.hokkaido.jp
 - ② Salad Bowl Association
4F, Kaigancho Building, 6-13 Kaigancho, Hakodate City, Hokkaido 040-0061 TEL 0138-38-9193
FAX 0138-86-5160 <http://www.saladbowl.or.jp> Email: hakodatelife@saladbowl.or.jp
 - ③ Japanese Teaching Society(JTS) Tel: 090-6448-7524 Email: tsukaya2026@gmail.com
- **Other notes:** You will be contacted if you are accepted into the class. If for any reason you are unable to start the class after being accepted, please notify us as soon as possible.
- **Place:** Hakodate Youth Center (27-5, Chiyogadai-cho, Hakodate City)
1 minute walk from "Chiyogadai" stop (streetcar, bus) or 10-minute walk from the Goryokaku intersection.

○ **Class schedule** (from May 2026 to March 2027)

Monday					6:45pm-8:00pm					Beginners' & Primary 1 course				
May		11	18	25	Nov.	2	9	16	30					
June	1	8	15	22 29	Dec.	7	14	21						
July	6	13			Jan.			18	25					
Aug.				31	Feb.	1	8	15	22					
Sept.	7	14		28	March	1	8	15						
Oct.	5		19	26										

Thursday morning					9:45am-11:00am					Reading & Writing course				
Thursday evening					11:15am-12:30pm					Beginners' & Primary 1 course				
					6:45pm-8:00pm					Primary 2 course				
May		14	21	28	Nov.	5	12	19	26					
June	4	11	18	25	Dec.	3	10	17						
July	2	9	16		Jan.			21	28					
Aug.					Feb.	4		18	25					
Sept.	3	10	17	24	March	4	11							
Oct.	1	8	15	22 29										

Sunday					10:30am-11:45am					Primary 1 course				
May		10	17	24 31	Nov.	1	8	15	22 29					
June	7	14	21		Dec.	6	13	20						
July	5	12	19		Jan.				24 31					
Aug.					Feb.	7	14	21	28					
Sept.	6	13		27	March	7	14							
Oct.	4	11	18	25										

2026 Japanese Class Application Form

KATAKANA _____ Y.M.D. _____

(romaji) _____

Name: _____ Male / Female

Birthday: _____ (____ y.o.) Nationality _____

Address: 〒 _____

Email: _____ Status of residence: _____

Phone No. _____ Occupation _____

Planned length of stay in Japan: ____y ____m ____d ~ ____y ____m ____d

Your history of Japanese study _____ hours

Is your spouse Japanese? Yes No

Course (Check One)

Monday evening: Beginners' Primary 1

Thursday morning: Reading & Writing Beginners' Primary 1

Thursday evening: Primary 2

Sunday morning : Primary 1

What would you like to learn specifically from this class?