

PAAS345 Japanese through Popular



Students will learn everyday conversational style used in popular media such as manga and anime in static and dynamic (videos) format. Some historical and cultural background information as well as more formal written language will be introduced through the main textbook. For improving fluency and speaking with emotional expressiveness, students will create a few videos in which they dub as a character in Japanese. Lyrics of recent popular songs will be studied and we will try singing together within the limits of the safety protocols at the time. Additionally, students will read and/or watch a series of manga, anime, drama, or other materials in Japanese in order to maximize the amount of input. For the final project, students will present their analysis of a character and their lines from their favorite series in popular media.

Proposed assignments:

x Participation, effort	5%
x Reading view log: entries of viewing and/or reading	15%
x Quizzes	20%
x Assignments:	20%
x Dubbing:	20%
x Final Project:	20%

Proposed reading list:

Main textbook: *NEW & OLD Japanese through Pop Culture*
 (Pop culture new and old: Elementary and intermediate Japanese through