

## Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts  
Bachelor of Science  
Bachelor of Business Administration  
Bachelor of Nursing Science
- Faculty/ Institute/ College** Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICLJ 320 **Course Title** Intermediate Japanese: Written Skills A
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (4-0)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** ICLJ 313
5. **Type of Course** Required
6. **Trimester/ Academic Year** Trimester 1/ Every year
7. **Course Description**  
Analysis of texts of various kinds (press, advertisements, literature, reports, etc.) chosen according to the fields and topics of interest of the students and production of similar written documents, in order to prepare the students for the written skill part of a standard intermediate level proficiency test.
8. **Course Objective (s)**  
At the end of the course, the students will
  - Have systematically reviewed the skills taught in the previous courses;
  - Master the following specific written skills:
    - Describe a person and a place;
    - Narrate a sequence of events;
    - Develop a short argumentative essay (using examples, causes and effect, hypothesis, refutations, etc.);
    - Read, understand and summarize similar types of documents.
9. **Course Outline**

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	
1	Presentation of the course. Description.	4	Assigned section instructor.
2	Description.	4	
3	Description. Quiz 1.	4	
4	Narration.	4	
5	Narration.	4	
6	Narration. Quiz 2.	4	
7	Argumentation.	4	
8	Argumentation.	4	
9	Argumentation.	4	
10	Argumentation. Quiz 3.	4	
11	Review.	4	
	Total	44	

NB. The coordinator reserves the right to change topics when appropriate.

**10. Teaching Method (s)**

Lecture, practical exercises, activities.

**11. Teaching Media**

Textbook, handouts, transparencies, audio cassette tape recorder, VCR.

**12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement**

MUIC standard grading criteria: 90 % and above will have grade A.

**13. Course evaluation**

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| 1. Three Quizzes     | 50 %; |
| 2. Final Examination | 50 %. |

**14. Reference (s)**

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6. Mynard, S. K., (1990), *An Introduction to Japanese Grammar and Communication Strategies*, Japan Times.
7. Tanaka, Y., (1997), *Japan As It Is*, Gakushukenkyusha.

**15. Instructor (s)**

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