

The Department of Japanese Studies, established in the year 2013, is committed to excellence in imparting quality education with the vision and mission to meet the emerging demand of the future professionals, researchers, and academicians in the field of Japanese Language, Literature and Culture.

Doon University is the only University in Northern India offering courses in Japanese language after Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi and the University of Delhi. The Department of Japanese Studies with committed faculty and innovative curriculum designed by experts from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and Delhi University (DU) offers five year MA Integrated course in Japanese Studies and One Year Certificate course in Japanese Language.

The scope of Japanese as a foreign language as career is bright and candidates willing to explore it have multitude of job opportunities in various multinational companies and multilateral organizations. Learning a foreign language is not only the gateway to understanding and appreciating other cultures but it also enhances career opportunities. The Department of Japanese Studies aims at a holistic program that not only offers excellent language education but also provides its students with a variety of cultural learning opportunities.

The five year MA Integrated program, aims to equip the student to make a bright and rewarding career in the field of Japanese Language. The initial three-years BA (Hons) program includes basics of Japanese language, history & culture, translation, interpretation, essay & letter writing and literature enabling the students to speak, write, understand, translate & interpret Japanese language. The two years of Master's program, focuses on advanced translation and interpretation to make the students proficient and expert in Japanese language in the field of their choice of employment.

Japanese cultural activities are integral part of the curriculum. Various academic and cultural activities are organized by the Department for better understanding of Japanese culture and tradition. Department also organizes activities in collaboration with the The Japan Foundation, New Delhi. In addition to study, Japanese movie screenings, educational tours, lectures by eminent professors from different Universities like JNU and DU are also organized. Japanese native faculty has also been engaged for better understanding of the subject. Students are awarded various scholarships from Japanese Government to experience and enhance knowledge of Japanese language, culture, tradition and society etc.

Japanese is an East Asian language spoken by about 125 million speakers, primarily in Japan, where it is the national language. Japanese presence and culture is growing all over the world.

Exchange between India and Japan is said to have begun in the 6th century when Buddhism was introduced to Japan. The India Japan relationship is blessed with the largest potential for development of any bilateral relationship anywhere in the world. It has a long history rooted in spiritual affinity and strong cultural and civilizational ties.

The beginning of 21st century witnessed a dramatic transformation in bilateral relations between India and Japan. The latest ties and treaties between India and Japan will take the strategic and global partnership to a higher level in the field of defence, civil nuclear, infrastructure development etc. It is due to Japanese assistance which helped to conceptualize and execute the prestigious mega projects like Delhi Metro Project, The Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC), the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor, Chennai Bangalore Industrial Corridor (CBIC), Bullet train and Kyoto Varanasi Project etc.

In view of the “Indo Japan Strategic partnership”, Japanese language will have an immense scope in times to come. Rise in Japanese companies like Suzuki, Honda, Toyota, Mitsubishi, Toshiba, Sony, Canon, Panasonic, Hitachi, Daikin etc is an indication of an abundant need of Japanese language proficient professionals to work in India and Japan. Academic qualification and proficiency in Japanese language opens the gate for career opportunities in tourism, hospitality, airlines, embassies, international organisations, education, interpretation and translation work in MNC's and govt. organization etc.

Courses offered:

List of Courses

BA Semester I

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-101

Japanese Sounds and Oral expressions

3

SLJ-102

Introduction to Japanese scripts

3

SLJ-103

Basic sentence patterns- I

3

SLJ-104

Reading Comprehension-I

3

SLJ-105

Introduction to Japan-I

3

BA Semester II

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-106

Spoken Japanese-I

3

SLJ-107

Basic Sentence Patterns-II

3

SLJ-108

Reading Comprehension-II

3

SLJ-109

Composition

3

SLJ-110

Introduction to Japan-II

3

BA Semester III

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-201

Spoken Japanese-II

3

SLJ-202

Intermediate Japanese -I

3

SLJ-203

Composition and Comprehension-I

3

SLJ-204

Translation- I

3

SLJ-205

History of Japan

3

LEL 442

Indo Japan Relation I (Elective)

3

BA Semester IV

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-206

Spoken Japanese –III

3

SLJ-207

Intermediate Japanese-II

3

SLJ-208

Composition and Comprehension-II

3

SLJ-209

Translation-II

3

SLJ-210

Contemporary Japan and Japanese Society

3

LEL 442

Indo Japan Relation II (Elective)

3

BA Semester V

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-301

Aural comprehension

3

SLJ-302

Advanced Japanese-I

3

SLJ-303

Reading Comprehension (Advanced)

3

SLJ-304

Newspaper Japanese

3

BA Semester VI

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-305

Translation & Interpretation

3

SLJ-306

Advanced Japanese-II

3

SLJ-307

Essay and Letter Writing

3

SLJ-308

Introduction to Japanese Literature

3

MA Semester I

Course Code

Course Titles

Credits

SLJ-401

Socio-cultural History of Japan-I

4

SLJ-402

Survey of Japanese Literature- I

4

SLJ-403

Theory and Practice of Translation-I

4

SLJ-404

Literary Criticism

4

MA Semester II

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-405

Socio-cultural History of Japan-II

4

SLJ-406

Survey of Japanese Literature –II

4

SLJ-407

Theory and Practice of Translation-II

4

SLJ-408

Introduction to Japanese Linguistics

4

MA Semester III

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-501

Japanese Intellectual History

4

SLJ-502

Reading Japanese Literary Texts – I

4

SLJ-503

Interpretation-I

4

SLJ-504

Methodology of Teaching Japanese Language

4

MA Semester IV

Course Code

Course Title

Credits

SLJ-505

Popular Culture of contemporary Japan

4

SLJ-506

Reading Japanese Literary Texts –II

4

SLJ-507

Interpretation-II

4

SLJ-508

Dissertation

4

Faculty members:

Sl. No.

Name

Area of Specialization

1

Ms. Deepika Bhatia(In charge)

Japanese Language , Culture & Society

2

Mr. Ravi Kumar

Japanese Language and Modern Literature

3

Mr. Vishwas Kumar

Japanese Language & Literature

4

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