

# Kansai Gaidai University

## Asian Studies Program

### ASP Home-Based for 2023 Spring Semester

**Overview:** ASP Home-Based is a remote oriented program that students take Japanese Language courses and/or some selected Lecture courses focusing on Japan and Asia from his/her home-based place.

**Features:**

- Japanese Language courses taught by experienced Japanese instructors and 4 levels of instructions available
- Selected courses focusing on Japan and Asia
- Synchronously offered courses will use ZOOM
- Part-time enrollment only (up to two courses)
- Online interaction with local Kansai Gaidai students available
- Grades and credits awarded

**Eligibility:** Any students from partner institutions of Kansai Gaidai University or Asian Studies Program Alumni.

**Semester:** January 25<sup>th</sup> – May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (including final exam period)

**Cost:** Registration Fee of JPY10,000 (Approx. USD75) / Person (Non-refundable)  
 Tuition 3-credit course JPY45,000 (Approx. USD335)  
 5-credit course JPY75,000 (Approx. USD555)

**# of Courses:** Up to 2 courses.

**Courses:**

Title	Credits	Schedule/TimeZone
Japanese Level 1 (TBA)	5-credits	Mon 1, Wed 1, Fri 1
Japanese Level 2 (TBA)	5-credits	Mon 1, Wed 1, Fri 1
Japanese Level 3 (TBA)	5-credits	Mon 1, Wed 1, Fri 1
Japanese Level 4 (TBA)	5-credits	Mon 2, Wed 2, Fri 2
Online Presentation Skills & Video Production (Garr A Reynolds)	3-credits	Thur 1 【Tue 1】
Globalization, Culture and Identity in East Asia (Nur Rafeeda Binti Daut)	3-credits	Thur 2 【Tue 2】

All the days and time are indicated in Japan standard time, thus, for example Monday 9:00AM is Sunday evening time in Americas time zone. 【】 is asynchronous session. Course descriptions are available below.

*If not enough number of students enrolled, class may be cancelled.*

**Class Schedule:** Time Zone 1 9:00AM – 10:30AM (Japan Standard Time)  
 Time Zone 2 10:45AM – 12:15PM (Japan Standard Time)

**Course Format:** Japanese (5-credit) 90 mins. X 3 / week 【mostly live session】  
 Lecture (3-credit) 90 mins. X 2 / week 【one live session, one asynchronous session】

**How to apply:** 1. Must be nominated by your home institution through GAIDAI-Link\* for 2023 Spring (Home-Based) semester. If continuing from a former online semester, new nomination is NOT necessary.

\*Required Info. on GAIDAI-Link (to be completed by exchange coordinator)

Nominated by	Please select from the list
Student Name	Please input
E-mail (student)	Please input
Enrollment Status	Please select applicable status, but your enrollment will not be counted as part of exchange credits.
Semester	Please select "2023SP (Home-Based)"
Duration of Stay	Please select "One Semester"

2. Upon nomination, students will receive Admission Number and Login Credential from KGU online application system called GAIDAI-Link.

3. Complete online application form (including Course Selections) and Japanese Language Background Survey (if applicable).

**Schedule:** Nomination Deadline: Dec 16<sup>th</sup> (Fri)

Registration Deadline: Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> (Tue)

Course Notification: Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> (Tue)

Enrollment Confirmation & Payment: Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> (Tue) ~ Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> (Tue)

Orientation Day: Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> (Tue)

Classes Start: Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> (Wed)

Deadline for Dropping Courses: Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> (Tue) (no tuition refund after this date)

Final Examination Week (including a make-up exam day): May 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ 26<sup>th</sup> (Mon–Fri)

Classes End: May 26<sup>th</sup> (Fri)

### **Intercultural Engagement Program:**

IEP is a student-driven program that promotes interactions between international students and local Kansai Gaidai students on a virtual platform. Anybody who belongs to Kansai Gaidai or KGU's affiliated institutions can participate in this program. Please join the events offered via IEP to make new friends and find out more about Japan and the world!

Please visit us on IEP website: <https://www.kguiep.com/>

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Follow us on Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/iep\\_kansaidai/](https://www.instagram.com/iep_kansaidai/)



## Course Descriptions (ASP Home-Based for Spring 2023 Semester)

### Japanese Level 1 (5 credits)

The first level of Japanese for beginners who have no formal training in the language. This course aims mainly at the development of speaking and listening skills, but also writing in hiragana, katakana and basic kanji. Approximately 300 vocabulary words will be introduced. At the end of the course, successful students will be able to function in Japanese in everyday situations such as making requests, stating reasons, describing things, etc. Also, approximately 40 kanji will be introduced. This course will cover Lessons 1 through 6 of Genki I, third edition.

### Japanese Level 2 (5 credits)

The second level of elementary Japanese. At the end of the course, students are expected to be able to adequately handle everyday conversation to meet basic communication needs in Japanese, including expressing opinions, and talking about experiences and giving advice.

Also, approximately 70 kanji will be introduced. This course will cover Lessons 6 through 12 of Genki I, third edition.

### Japanese Level 3 (5 credits)

The third level of elementary Japanese. Students will continue to develop their Japanese from the foundational skills established in the elementary level courses. The course focuses on extensive speaking and listening practice, introducing vocabulary, grammar and expressions. At the end of the course, students are expected to be able to adequately handle everyday conversation in Japanese, including saying what you can or cannot do, explaining about people or things in detail, apologizing, talking about hopes and wishes, and conveying hearsay. Also, approximately 90 kanji will be introduced. This course will cover Lessons 13 through 18 of Genki II third edition.

### Japanese Level 4 (5 credits)

The fourth level of elementary Japanese. New students must pass a placement test in order to enroll. This course aims mainly to develop speaking and listening skills, but part of the class time is spent on practicing kanji characters. At the end of the course, successful students will have developed the skills of using various expressions needed in various situations commonly encountered in Japanese daily life, including honorific and humble expressions. Also, approximately 100 kanji will be introduced. This course will cover Lessons 18 through 23 of Genki II third edition.

### Online Presentation Skills & Video Production (3 credits)

In this class, we'll explore why/how presentation visuals are so powerful and you'll learn how you can become a more skilled and creative visual communicator through both online presentations and high-quality videos.

Also, based on research from the cognitive sciences, combined with principles from the world of the Zen arts, graphic design and visual communications, students will explore popular myths about what is an effective presentation and examine effective alternatives and approaches for designing and delivering better online presentations and videos.

### Globalization, Culture and Identity in East Asia (3 credits)

Contemporary discussions of globalization will be put into historical perspective in this unique course, through an examination of the interactions of East Asian states have with each other and the rest of the world. Specifically, it focuses on how globalization affects the formation of culture and identity in East Asian nations. Students will examine the different ways in which East Asian communities interact and exchange ideas and culture and material goods. This course will also examine how different modes such as travel and tourism and globalizing forms of popular culture contribute to identity formation in East Asian nations.

## Frequently Asked Questions (ASP Home-Based for Spring 2023 Semester)

1. Is the application process the same as the regular on-site program?  
No. After being nominated, students will be asked to provide us with necessary information including course selection online.
2. Will academic credits and grades be given upon successful completion of the program?  
Yes. The contents of the online courses are basically the same as the ones offered in a face-to-face format, and an official transcript with credits and grades will be issued after the semester is

completed. There will be no indication of online course on the transcript.

3. Will it be counted toward our exchange credit/balance?  
No. Your enrollment in the online courses will not be counted as part of regular exchange balance credits.
4. Is there a minimum GPA to apply for the Online Courses?  
No. Students can be accommodated as long as they are nominated by their home institutions. However, once students are nominated, they must be committed to complete their courses. If applying independently, please contact [kgu-in03@kansaigaidai.ac.jp].
5. Is there any difference in fees between taking one course and two courses?  
The Registration Fee is charged per student, however, the course tuition depends on the number of course credits.
6. How do I pay the Registration Fee and Tuition?  
Please pay by credit card (VISA or Master card) during the payment period.
7. Can my University make the payments on behalf of the students?  
Yes. Please contact us if the University would like to make the payment. Payment by credit card or bank wire transfer will also be accepted.
8. Can I receive a refund if I withdraw during the semester?  
No. The Registration Fee is non-refundable. The tuition is refundable if the student withdraws before the following date:

#### Refund policy

Before the Orientation Day	100 % refund
Before the Drop deadline	50 % refund
After the drop deadline	Non-refundable

9. Is taking a Japanese Language course mandatory?  
No. It is not mandatory to take a Japanese Language course.
10. Can I take more than two courses?  
No. Two courses are the maximum number you can take.
11. How is the asynchronous course conducted?  
Self-studying materials will be provided on Blackboard in most cases, but details will depend on professors.
12. Are there any local students taking the courses together with international students?  
No. The Course will be consisted with only international students. Some local students may join the course occasionally.
13. Is there an Add & Drop period?  
Drop is available until February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (tuition refund is 50% and not-refundable after February 8<sup>th</sup>). Adding a course is not possible. However, regarding “Japanese” course, level adjustments may occur.