I. **Instructor and Office Hours:**

Instructor: Naoko Yamamoto  
Class Hours: 1:00 - 4:30 p.m (Mon. and Wed.)  
Classroom: Humanities 1 #110  
E-mail: naokoyam@ucsc.edu  
Office Hours: 4:30 - 5:30 pm (Wed.)  
Japanese language homepage: http://language.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/japanese.html

II. **Course Objectives**

1. To be able to carry out simple oral tasks such as greeting, purchasing, and asking for directions  
2. To understand some basic grammar and the sociolinguistic rules of the language  
3. To be able to read and write *hiragana* and *katakana* scripts  
4. To be able to read and write 43 *kanji*  
5. To obtain some strategies to make yourself understood and to understand others with limited knowledge of the language

III. **Textbook, Workbook & Listening practice CDs**

3. The audio CDs come with the textbook and the workbook.

IV. **Expectations of the students**

1. Class participation: this counts for 10% of the overall grade.  
The criteria for class participation are as follows:  
   a. Be well-prepared: memorize designated vocabulary/dialogues (see the schedule); listen to related dialogues on the CD.  
   b. Contribute to the class: “contribution” means your ability to do your best, wholeheartedly! Engage yourself in what is happening in class.  
   c. Contribute to the class: work cooperatively with others: helping each other to be better users of the language is a big part of “class contribution.”  
   d. Respectful manners: no food, including gum (drinks are OK.); no text messaging or reading text messages, no doing homework in the class, no preparing for quizzes in the class.

2. Submit assignments on due dates and take exams and quizzes when they are given.  
(I will accept delayed (the next class meeting) homework, but you will only receive 70% credit for it.)
3. **No make-up quizzes and tests are allowed.**

V. **Grading**

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Minimum requirements to pass this course:
(1) Do not miss the class more than 2 times. (Being late for 60 minutes counts as a 1/2 absence)
(2) Get a minimum total score of 65%.
(3) Get a minimum average score of 65% on the midterm and the final examination
(4) Get a minimum score of 65% on the final examination

VI. **General Letter Grades**

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VII. **Nihongo Related Websites**

Genki Self-study
[http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/self_en](http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/self_en)

Genki kanji flashcards (Note: vocabulary flashcards have some errors.)

Anki site: a digital flashcard program.
[http://ankisrs.net/](http://ankisrs.net/)

How to type in Japanese on your computer:
[http://www.coscom.co.jp/learnjapanese801/howtotypejapanese.html](http://www.coscom.co.jp/learnjapanese801/howtotypejapanese.html)

Hiragana & Katakana
VIII. Disabilities

UC Santa Cruz is committed to creating an academic environment that supports its diverse student body. If you are a student with a disability who requires accommodations to achieve equal access in this course, please submit your Accommodation Authorization Letter from the Disability Resource Center (DRC) to me privately during my office hours or by appointment, preferably within the first week of the Summer quarter. At this time, I would also like us to discuss ways we can ensure your full participation in the course. I encourage all students who may benefit from learning more about DRC services to contact DRC by phone at 831-459-2089 or by email at drc@ucsc.edu.

**Important Summer Dates**

Final Day to Add: June 29th
Final Day to Drop: July 3rd
Final Day to Withdrawal: July 14th