

Studying Japanese at Amherst:

Welcome to Amherst! If you are curious about studying Japanese at Amherst, please read below.

- **If you are an incoming freshman and have questions regarding our Japanese classes,** please contact Wako Tawa before arriving at Amherst or soon after you have arrived here.
- **If you have never studied Japanese before coming to Amherst,** and even if you know a few phrases in Japanese and some Japanese characters, please sign up for JAPA 101-01.
- **If you studied Japanese either at high school or in other settings before coming to Amherst or speak Japanese at home,** please fill out the background information sheet attached here and send it to Wako Tawa. You will hear back from someone from the Japanese Language Program promptly.
- **If you are not an incoming freshman or are a student at one of the Five College consortium schools and have questions regarding Japanese classes at Amherst,** please also contact Wako Tawa as soon as possible.
- **To freshman advisors:**
If you have questions regarding a Japanese class, please call or send an email to Wako Tawa
- **Please read the following regarding the class schedule of any Japanese course:**

All Japanese classes at Amherst are “unscheduled,” which means that the class time is not noted for registration purposes.

Each semester a few days before classes begin, the teacher-in-charge of each class will email the students enrolled in her class and ask the students to submit their class schedules. Please submit your class schedule as soon as possible to your teacher.

It is required that all students attend classes four days a week, which consist of two days of peer practice sessions and two days of assessment sessions. The explanation of these sessions will be given once you are registered for the course.

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