JPNS 392.01: IS: Advanced Japanese Speaking

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JPNS 392
Independent Study: Advanced Japanese
Speaking in Japanese

Time: Tuesday, 11:00–11:50
Instructor: Michihiro Ama (michihiro.ama@mso.umt.edu)
Meeting Place: LA 420
Office: Liberal Arts 320
Office Hours: 9:00-9:50 am on Monday; 1:00-1:50 pm on Monday; 9:00-9:50 am on Wed;
11:00-11:50 am on Thursday; or by appointment

Course Description
A one-credit course built on JPNS 306 (Japanese for Business)
The course aims to enhance the students’ conversation skills in Japanese. It requires them
to practice conversations in Japanese whose topics extend from business to college
students’ daily lives in Japan.

Student Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to fluently read dialogues
and engage in Japanese conversations

Scheduled Meetings with the Instructor
We will meet 10 times during the semester and practice conversations for 50 minutes.

Activities and Projects
At the end of the semester, students are required to interview a Japanese student on campus
and write a report of the interview in Japanese. The questions should include the
followings: What was your part-time job in Japan? How did you find it and what was the
most difficult part? What kind of work do you want to do after you graduate from
university and why? What is the likelihood of your getting that job?

Evaluation System
A letter grade will be determined at the end of the semester.
Attendance 80%
Interview report (by December 1st) 20%