The Testing Services staff will return to campus full-time beginning on Monday, July 26, 2021.

SDSU’s commitment remains to be the safety, health and well-being of all campus community members including students, staff, faculty and visitors. SDSU is closely following the COVID19 guidelines set forth by national, state and local public health and government officials as well as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

All visitors to campus are asked to perform a self-check of COVID-19 related symptoms prior to coming to campus and remain home if you are experiencing any symptoms, including fever, dry cough, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or loss of taste or smell.

The Japanese Language Proficiency Test will resume the first two weeks of the fall 2021 semester for students who are required to take it. The test dates will be posted in early August 2021.

Who is required to take the Japanese Language Proficiency Test?

According to the SDSU General Catalog, the Japanese Language Proficiency Test, created and edited by the Association of International Education, Japan and the Japan Foundation, is taken to assess and place students at the most appropriate level in the curriculum of the Japanese Language Program at SDSU. Students who have special backgrounds, and those SDSU students who took Japanese elsewhere, including SDSU students who participated in exchange programs, are required to meet with the program adviser and to take this examination.

General Test Information

There are four testing levels.

**Level 4** is designed for students who have had 150 hours of instruction in elementary grammar, kanji (approximately 100 characters); have a vocabulary of approximately 800 words; can converse at a very elementary level; can read and write simple or short sentences; and have finished the first half of an Elementary Japanese course/text.

**Level 3** is designed for students who have had 300 hours of instruction in basic grammar, kanji (approximately 300 characters); have a vocabulary of approximately 1500 words; can converse in practical everyday situations; can read and write unsophisticated paragraphs; and have finished an Elementary Japanese course/text.

**Level 2** is designed for students who have had 600 hours of instruction in advanced grammar, kanji (approximately 1000 characters); have a vocabulary of approximately 6000 words; can converse, read and write on general topics; can read and write unsophisticated paragraphs; and have finished an Intermediate Japanese course/text.
**Level 1** is designed for students who have had 900 hours of instruction in highly advanced grammar, *kanji* (approximately 2000 characters); have a vocabulary of approximately 10,000 words; can function in social situations and situations at universities/research institutions.

The number of questions on each test varies, as do the time limits, but all four levels contain **three** sections:

1) Characters and Vocabulary  
2) Listening Comprehension  
3) Reading Comprehension and Grammar

**Fee and Registration Information**

Speak with a Japanese Language Program Adviser in the Department of Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages, located in Storm Hall West 214. The advisor will give you a card that you will take SDSU Testing Services (Student Services West 2549) during business hours (Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) to receive registration assistance. The fee for the Japanese Language Proficiency Test is **$25.00 (per level)**. The Admission Ticket will have the date, time and location of the test, as well as your name, Red ID number and exam requirements. You cannot register for the Japanese Language Proficiency Test without a card from the Japanese Language Program advisor.

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**Directions & Parking Information**

SDSU Testing Services directions and parking information can be found at [http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/STAAR/directions.html](http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/STAAR/directions.html).

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