# Aya Okada

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#### **Education**

## M.A. in Applied Linguistics,

Purdue University, 2014 Sep.-2016 May. West Lafayette, IN M.A. thesis: "Effects of a Timed-dictation activity in the introductory course in Japanese: Focusing on the accuracy and fluency of writing Katakana"

#### **Research Student**,

Nanzan University, 2011 Apr.-2011 Sep. Aichi, Japan

### **B.A. Japanese Pedagogy,**

Nanzan University, 2007 Apr.-2011 Mar. Aichi, Japan

#### **Working Experience**

#### Instructor for Japanese language,

University of Oklahoma, 2016 Sep. –Current JAPN1115, 1225, 3113 as an Instructor

- Prepared teaching plans and materials
- Organized course assignments on Canvas
- Incorporated EdTech tools in my online courses
- Created rubric for grading homework and tests
- Created quizzes, chapter tests and final exams
- Graded homework, guizzes and tests
- Conducted oral assessments
- Proctored examinations
- Maintained students' records
- Advised students' learning
- Wrote recommendation letters
- Planned and conducted cultural activities
- Joined Japanese club and helped students

#### Instructor for Business Japanese lessons,

YAMAHA mortars Inc., 2016- 2018, May-July, 2019 served as a coordinator Language Lessons for engineers

- Lessons for reading, writing, listening, speaking
- Evaluated learners' performance for each week
- Introduced business manners
- Taught technical terms related to engineering
- Taught classes for JLPT preparations (N5 & N4)

- Make schedules and detailed teaching plan
- Give feedback to other instructors

## Graduate Teaching Assistant for Japanese language,

Purdue University, 2014 Sep.-2016 May

JPNS201 as an instructor

- Prepared teaching plans and materials (PowerPoint files, handouts)
- Shared materials among other instructors
- Graded homework
- Created rubric for grading homework
- Graded tests
- Proctored examinations
- Maintained students' records
- Wrote recommendation letters
- Advised students' learning

JPNS101,102,201,202 as an instructor

- Prepared class contents
  - (Made Power Point, picture cards, activity materials and worksheets)
- Graded homework
- Graded tests
- Maintained students' records
- Held tea ceremony at Japanese conversation table

JPNS102 Online course, as a course coordinator

- Created a syllabi and schedule
- Organized course assignment on Blackboard
- Prepared class contents (teaching plan, audio materials for dictation)
- Graded homework
- Graded tests
- Created rubric for homework
- Created rubric for tests
- Maintained students' records
- Held online face-to-face sessions via WebEx

### Instructor for Business Japanese lessons,

Rakuten Inc., 2014 Jun.-Sep.

Online lessons to prospective employee

- Created teaching plan and Schedule
- Created Power Point
- Evaluated
- Reported student's record to headquarters
- Held online face-to-face sessions

### Instructor for Business Japanese lessons,

EU-Japan Center for Industrial Corporation, 2014 Apr.-May.

Lessons for business people who are from the EU

- Taught Japanese language focusing on business purposes
- Taught business manners and culture
- Joined Tea ceremony class as an interpreter

• Led extracurricular activities in Ginza, Tokyo.

## Full-Time Native Japanese language teaching assistant,

Washington and Lee University, 2011 Sep.-2014 Apr.

JPNS101,102,201,202 as a native teaching assistant

- Prepared class materials
- Graded students' daily participation
- Graded homework
- Incorporated Smart board and iPads into classrooms
- Conducted Origami and Calligraphy sessions
- Wrote recommendation letters

### Japanese language teaching assistant,

Middlebury Language Summer School, 2013 Jun.-August. JPNS201, 202

- Taught classes
- Advised Tea ceremony club
- Supervised class group projects
- Graded homework
- Prepared for public events

### Japanese part-time teaching assistant,

Nanzan University, Center for Japanese Study, 2011 Mar.-Apr. JPNS Intermediate level course assistant

- Edited student journals
  - Graded homework

## Publications

Aya, Okada (2013) Amazon.com. What is the difference between Ha and Ga, ISBN B007JCUMLO

Aya, Okada (2014) *『週間「日本語教育」批評』Weekly Journal "*Japanese language teaching critical essay"

http://archive.mag2.com/0001573661/20140220000333000.html

Aya, Okada (2014) "iPad を使用した道順説明とその成果 (Students' performance achievement on giving direction with iPad)"

South Eastern Association of Teachers of Japanese Charlotte, NC, <u>http://www.seatj.org/proceedings/</u>

Aya, Okada (2015) "Website Mikke! for Sharing your Activity Ideas – Enabling Integration of Information-"

Proceeding: South Eastern Association of Teachers of Japanese Chapel Hill, NC

Aya, Okada (2015) "Website Mikke! for Sharing your Activity Ideas-Sharing Information and its Importance-"

Proceeding: Central Association of Teachers of Japanese

Aya Okada (2016) "Effects of a Timed-dictation activity in the introductory course in Japanese: Focusing on the accuracy and fluency of writing Katakana" M.A. thesis at Purdue University Kazuko Tanabe, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada, (2017) "Creative Writing Relay" Proceeding: Princeton Japanese Pedagogy Forum, NJ Kazuko Tanabe, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada (2017) "リレー式ライティングに見る相互行為とコミュニケーション・ストラテジー" Proceeding: National Institute for Japanese Language and Linguistics, Tokyo, Japan Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada (2018) "ストーリーマップ等の支援ツールを使った上級クラスでの創作文指導 ・プレゼントとして贈る創作文 完成までの実践報告" Proceeding: SEATJ Aya Okada, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Kazuko Tanabe (2018) "Incorporating Story Maps into Relay Writing Activities in an introductory course" Proceeding: SEAT Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada (2019) "Relay Style Creative Writing Activity Incorporating Critical Thinking in an Advanced Level Japanese Class" Journal: Lingua No.29 by Sophia University Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Kazuko Tanabe, Aya Okada (2019) "リレー作文を利用したプロジェクト型学習を通して見る学習者のつながり・心・成果物" Proceeding: SEAT Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada (2019) "プロジェクト型協働作文活動を通してみる相互作用と作品・学習者への影響" Proceedings: CAJLE 2019 Presentation/Works

Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada "プロジェクト型協働作文活動を通してみる相互作用と作品・学習者への影響" Canadian Association for Japanese Language Education (CAJLE) Victoria, BC, Canada 2019

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"Cooperative evaluation for Japanese beginners' creative relay writing" Panel Title: Toward the Future of Japanese Writing Assessment in the Context of a Social Networking Approach: Case Studies on Creative Relay Writing American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ) Denver, Colorado, 2019

Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Kazuko Tanabe, Aya Okada "リレー作文を利用したプロジェクト型学習を通してみる学習者のつながり・心・成果物" Southeastern Association of Teachers of Japanese (SEATJ) Winston-Salem, NC, 2019 Aya Okada "How to Create Online Courses for Free without Programming Knowledge" American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) New Orleans, LA, 2018 Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada "クリティカルシンキングを採り入れたリレー式創作文活動-上級作文クラスからの実践報告-" International Conference on Japanese Language Education (ICJLE) Venice, Italy, 2018 Shigeru Osuka, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Kazuko Tanabe, Aya Okada "21 世紀型日本語作文教育の評価法についての一考察:リレー式ストリー・ライティングを中心として" American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ) Washington D.C., 2018 Aya Okada, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Kazuko Tanabe "Incorporating Story Maps into Relay Writing Activities in an Introductory Course" Southeastern Association of Teachers of Japanese (SEATJ) Tampa, FL, 2018 Kiyoshi Noguchi, Aya Okada, Kazuko Tanabe, Shigeru Osuka "ストーリーマップ等の支援ツールを使った上級クラスでの創作文指導" Southeastern Association of Teachers of Japanese (SEATJ) Tampa, FL, 2018 Kazuko Tanabe, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada, "Creative Writing Relay" Princeton Japanese Pedagogy Forum, NJ,2017 Kazuko Tanabe, Kiyoshi Noguchi, Shigeru Osuka, Aya Okada "リレー式ライティングに見る相互行為とコミュニケーション・ストラテジー" National Institute for Japanese Language and Linguistics (NINJAL), Tokyo, Japan, 2017 Aya Okada, John Moorland "Immersive gaming: Creating story-based games to promote language learning" American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), Boston, MA, 2016 Aya Okada "Effects of a Timed-dictation activity in the introductory course in Japanese: Focusing on the accuracy and fluency of writing Katakana" American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ) Seattle, WA, 2016

Sayuri Ogiuchi, Aya Okada

"Watch Movies! Learn Japanese!"

Next Generation Scholars (NGS)

introducing graduate students' researches to high school students Purdue University, IN, 2015

### Aya Okada

"Website Mikke! for Sharing your Activity Ideas –Enabling Integration of Information-" Southeastern Association of Teachers of Japanese (SEATJ) Chapel hill, NC, 2015

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"Giving directions on a map using Educreations : towards interactive audio- visual activities" Computer-Assisted Language Instruction Consortium (CALICO) Boulder, CO, 2015

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"Website Mikke! for Sharing your Activity Ideas-Sharing Information and its Importance-" Central Association of Teachers of Japanese (CATJ) Findlay, OH, 2015

## Created Activity Share website for Japanese language teachers, 2014 http://edujapa.com/mikke

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"iPad を使用した道順説明とその成果"

Southeastern Association of Teachers of Japanese (SEATJ), Charlotte, NC, 2014

## Invited lectures

Lingage DX seminar (online) "Secrets of incorporating EdTech tools effectively", 2021 (planned in June)

HongKong Jissen Sheakai (online) "Liven up hybrid classes using EdTech tools", 2020

Nanzan University

"Incorporation of technologies into Japanese classes in the United States", 2012

### Relevant Graduate Courses

Theories of Japanese Language Acquisition Survey of Japanese Linguistics Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language Written Communication for International Graduate Students Complexity, Accuracy and Fluency in SLA Contemporary Japanese Cinema Experimental Statistics IT Apps in Japanese Teaching Multicultural Education Education Software Design Game and Simulation development

### **Qualifications**

Oral Proficiency Interview Tester Certificate (2018) Japanese flower arrangement Ohara school associate professor Japanese Tea ceremony Matsuo School, Nagao stage Japanese Calligraphy Japanese high school teaching certification in Japanese Language and Literature Japanese high school teaching certification in Japanese History Japanese high school teaching certification in English

### <u>Skills</u>

Giving OPI interviews Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, HTML, WebEx, Zoom and others Learning Management System: Blackboard, D2L, Canvas Translation (Japanese to English, English to Japanese)

- Business letters
- Meeting proceedings
- Medical documents
- Websites
- Anthropology books
- Mobile app instruction

## <u>Languages</u>

Japanese (Native), English (Advanced), Chinese (Intermediate)

### Professional memberships

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages American Association of Teachers of Japanese South Eastern Association of Teachers of Japanese Central Association of Teachers of Japanese Computer-Assisted Language Instruction Consortium

### <u>Honors</u>

NFMLTA Travel Grant 2019 Teaching Assistant Excellence in Teaching Award 2016 PROMISE grant 2015-2016 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Purdue University 2014-2016. Graduate scholarship, Purdue University 2014-2016.

#### **Volunteers/Services**

Holding Japanese Conversation Club 2019-2020 Once a week at the University of Oklahoma

AATJ Cultural Activity Booth "Monkiri", ACTFL 2018, New Orleans, LA Held the activity and introduced Monkiri culture

Sushi workshop 2017 Giving presentation about Makizushi

NGS conference, Purdue University 2015 Setting up the conference place, guided students,

CALICO, Colorado University 2015 Registration, Conference room monitor