

LANGUAGES AND CULTURE

Modern Japanese

TAKASAKI, Midori

The Cultural Sciences Division/ Faculty of Letters and Education Division of Languages and Culture

<http://www.li.ocha.ac.jp/lc/jpn/faculty/takasaki.html>

Researcher information

Contact

Email: [takasaki.midori@ocha.ac.jp](mailto:takasaki.midori@ocha.ac.jp) / TEL: 03-5978-5202 / FAX: 03-5978-5208

Major

Japanese linguistics, Communication theory, Gender and language

Research topics

Study of Japanese society and culture from the view point of modern Japanese language

Keywords: Modern Japanese, Verbal expression, Communication theory, Mass-communication media, Gender

Contents

Overview (background, goal, detail)

Subjects of my investigation are all Japanese expressions; Works of *Haruki Murakami*, newspaper articles, mobile phone e-mail, web log, internet advertisement, daily conversation, classical literature, *Kyogen*, and so on. I have been studying these subjects from the various view points :stylistics, verbal expressions, and gender.

Case study

- 1) Discourse analysis of Japanese classic works
- 2) Comparison of words usage between Japanese and English on food assessment
- 3) The study on language incorporating statistical analysis
- 4) Speeches of woman administrators

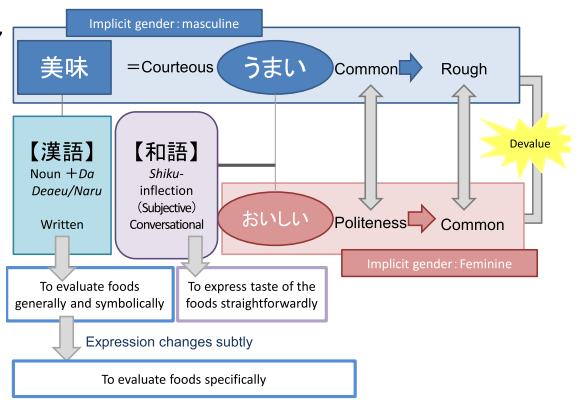


Fig.1 Study of words usage food assessment

Intellectual properties (Patents, computer programs), productization, publications and social/industrial contributions

- 1) Publications and lectures to help student and general public how to write papers and documents.
- 2) Editing of the Japanese dictionary to improve vocabulary.
- 3) To provide the sort of fanatical information about Japanese language.

Potential of social/industrial contribution

As above mentioned, our study has the potential of social/industrial contribution.