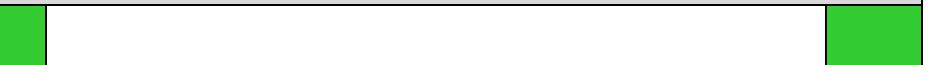
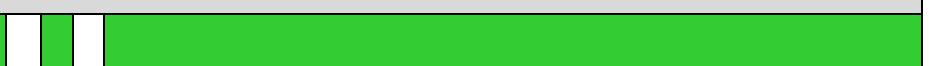


## Pre-black belt (kyū) rank progression

Kyū rank	Minimum time from start *	Kata required			Belt color
8 <sup>th</sup>	2 months	Fukyūgata I, II			
7 <sup>th</sup>	3 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II		
6 <sup>th</sup>	4 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I		
5 <sup>th</sup>	5 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I, III		
4 <sup>th</sup>	6 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I, III	Naihanchi I	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I, III, IV	Naihanchi I	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 year	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I, III, IV, V	Naihanchi I	
1 <sup>st</sup>	16 months	Fukyūgata I, II	Pinan II, I, III, IV, V	Naihanchi I, II	

\* This table presents the BEST CASE SCENARIO for time required to progress through the ranks. People progress at different rates, so the time required to achieve a particular rank will likely be longer than shown in this column.