

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: Chinese

Course Number and Section:

CHINESE

1150 550

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Course Description:

This course serves as an introduction to Modern Standard Chinese (Mandarin) as a foreign language for beginners. The main goal for this course is for students to acquire a culturally contextualized working knowledge of and essential skills in introductory Chinese. The course aims at developing four basic skills, reading, writing, listening, and speaking, and at building a solid foundation in preparation for more advanced studies. The course will make use of audio-visual facilities as assistance. Special emphasis will be given to recognition and writing of Chinese characters.

Learning Outcomes:

I. Acquire basic language skills of modern standard Chinese:

Establish a mastery of the pinyin romanization system and can pronounce and transcribe correctly sounds used in modern standard Chinese;

Have a good command of basic strokes and stroke-order for writing Chinese characters;

Read short texts and write approximately 400 characters;

Master basic sentence patterns and use them to produce sentences;

Conduct simple conversations in Chinese;

II. Prepare for the next level Chinese course, Chinese 2250.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

Intergrated Chinese 1 (4th edition Simplified Characters)

Intergrated Chinese 1 workbook (4th edition Simplified Characters)

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
1. Participation	Recorded every class	10

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2. Quizzes	Unscheduled; Conducted during class	20
3. Homework	Due as specified in class	15
4. Written Tests	Two, 10% each	20
5. Group Presentation	Details available in class	10
6. Final Examination	Time and location TBA	25

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