

Cleveland State University
The Modern Language Department
Course Syllabus for Chinese 201
Fall 2008 (08/23-12/13)

Time: Mon, Wed, Fri 11:00 AM-12:05 PM

Location: MC 209

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TEXTBOOK:

- Integrated Chinese Level One, Part 2, Textbook** (Simplified Character Edition), 2nd Edition, by Tao-chung Yao and Yuehua Liu, Cheng & Tsui Company, Inc., 2005.
- Integrated Chinese Level One, Part 2, Workbook** (Simplified Character Edition), 2nd Edition, by Tao-chung Yao and Yuehua Liu, Cheng & Tsui Company, Inc., 2005.
- Integrated Chinese Level One, Part 2, Character Workbook** 2nd Edition, by Tao-chung Yao and Yuehua Liu, Cheng & Tsui Company, Inc., 2005.
- Audio CDs** are available through electronic course reserve in RT 301.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

CHN 201 Intermediate Chinese I (4-0-4) Prerequisite: CHN 102 or the equivalent.

This is an intermediate course designed for students who have completed the beginning Chinese (CHN 101 and CHN102). The course emphasizes building vocabulary and sentence patterns in communicative contexts, and helps students improve reading, writing, listening and speaking abilities. Chinese culture, society, and people introduced through supplementary materials and activities.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of Chinese 201, the students should be able to:

- Speak in Mandarin on daily topics. Ask and answer questions on a variety of everyday topics such as dining, library, seeing a doctor, travel, asking direction, dating and parties.
- Master about 300 vocabulary words from lesson 12 to lesson 17.
- Comprehend essential sentence patterns and grammar in the lessons learned.
- Read and recite fluently the simple texts written in Chinese characters in the textbook.
- Write from memory 200 new Chinese characters.
- Write in Chinese (letters, notes, diaries, logs and short compositions)
- Gain the knowledge, awareness and appreciation of Chinese culture.

TOPIC OUTLINE

1. Lesson 12: Dining

2. Lesson 13: At the Library
3. Lesson 14: Asking Directions
4. Lesson 15: Birthday Party
5. Lesson 16: Seeing a Doctor
6. Lesson 17: Dating.

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance is obligatory. Absences will be excused only upon presentation of a valid excuse, such as a work related, medical, or other to be consulted with and determined by your instructor. For each inexcusable absence, a student's performance numerical grade will drop by five points. The good attendance will add extra credits to your grade.

CLASS PARTICIPATION:

The student is expected to make an effort to participate in class activities and conversation, and attempt to respond to questions. .

HOMEWORK:

Homework will be given at the end of each class. It is to be turned in at the beginning of the class on the day it is due. It is important that you plan enough time (e.g. at least one hour a day) for studying: reading, memorizing, practicing, reviewing, and doing listening comprehension, speaking, reading and writing exercises.

QUIZZES:

Ten quizzes will be given during this semester.

EXAMS:

Two exams will be administered during the semester.

The midterm**The final exam****TUTORING:**

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EXTRA CREDIT:

Earning of extra credit points will be made possible for deserving students, those with good attendance, active participation and additional work.

EVALUATION:

The course grade will be based on the following:

- Student performance: attendance, participation 30%
- Homework and quizzes 20%
- Language lab/ Culture 20%
- Midterm exam 10%
- Final exam 20%

GRADING SCALE

100-94 =A	90-93=A-	
89-87 =B+	86-84=B	83-80=B-
79-77=C+	76-74=C	73-70=C-
69-67=D+	66-64=D	63-60=D-
60 or less=F		

*** Time spent throughout the semester on regular and conscientious preparation of all homework assignments will lessen the stress at the last minute before the final exam, and most importantly, it will insure a good grade. Cheating on tests will result in a grade of F.**

Important Notes

- Note on Disabilities: Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the coordinating instructor privately to discuss their specific needs.
- Some extra material may be added in class if necessary.
- Students are welcome to forward their suggestions or concerns on class instructing which will be appreciated and well considered by the instructor.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Integrated Chinese (IC) Home Page:** <http://eastasia.hawaii.edu/yao/icusers/>
- Listen to the recordings of the text** at: <http://www.language.berkeley.edu/ic/gb/toc.html>
- Writing Practice** at: <http://www.usc.edu/dept/ealc/chinese/character/>
- Flashcards printable:** <http://eall.hawaii.edu/yao/ic1flashcards/>
- E- Dictionary:**
English to simplify Chinese
http://www.worldlingo.com/en/products_services/worldlingo_translator.html
<http://dictionary.reference.com/translate/text.html>
Chinese to English
http://www.google.com/language_tools?hl=en
- Get a Chinese name:** <http://www.mandarintools.com/chinesename.html>
- Chinesepod.com:**
<http://podcasts.yahoo.com/series?s=16407703049c6994a49d72080762dc85>

HOW TO VIEW AND WRITE CHINESE WITH YOUR PC

- To view html documents
For windows 98, you need to download from Microsoft simplified and traditional Chinese fonts.
For Windows 2000, Chinese fonts are in your system CD.
For Windows XP, Chinese fonts are included.
When viewing a document, especially when the page has both English and Chinese contents, you may need to change the setting of encoding. If you use Internet Explorer, click “view” and “encoding,” then choose Chinese traditional (Big5) or Chinese simplified (GB2312) or Unicode 8. If you use Netscape, click “view” and “character set,” then make choice the same as above.
- To view word documents

Word 2000 or above recognizes Chinese characters with or without Chinese software. If your Word is an older version, you need to have a Chinese software to view.

To write Chinese

For Windows XP, download Chinese IME (free) from Microsoft. The simplified Chinese (GB 2312) version is much easier to use.

For older versions, you have to install a Chinese software such as NJ star, Chinese Star, Twin Bridge, etc. Each software has its own advantages. These softwares may also cause your computer to malfunction. XP with Chinese IME is recommended.

When you write html documents or sending e-mails in Chinese, you must set your page as GB2312, Big 5 or unicode8. Otherwise, your documents may not be readable by Chinese viewers.

HOW TO INSTALL CHINESE INPUTTING SYSTEM IN YOUR COMPUTER

On your windows XP

-Control panel

-Regional and Language Options (double click)

-Ch Chinese (PRC)

-Key board

Chinese (Simplified) Microsoft pinyin

Chinese (Simplified) –Quan Pin

Chinese (Simplified)-US key board

-click: add