CHI: Chinese Courses

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CHI 1100  Chinese Language I
4 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Chinese I is a semester-long course designed for non-native Chinese learners. It introduces students to the official Chinese language-Mandarin (or Putonghua). The course aims to help students obtain an adequate mastery of basic language skills in both spoken and written Chinese and lay a good foundation for further study of this language. Throughout the semester, this class will also introduce the Chinese culture and tradition to students. Students will learn the Chinese phonology, vocabulary and grammar, and sentence patterns; they will also learn how to read and write Chinese characters. Specifically, through such activities as vocabulary-in-context, sentence pattern practice, listening and reading comprehension, dialogue and role-play, students will learn to use Chinese in speech and writing in common, real-life scenarios.

CHI 1101  Chinese Language II
4 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: CHI 1100

This semester-long course, as a continuation of Chinese Language I is designed for non-native Chinese speakers with one semester (or less than one year) of Chinese; it continues to emphasize the basic skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. In this course, students will learn more vocabulary and grammar while consolidating what they have learned of Chinese in the first semester; students will learn a new vocabulary of more than 300 Chinese characters. At the end of this second semester of Chinese, students should be able to converse on more daily topics with relative ease and effectiveness while developing further reading and writing abilities. In this course, students will continue to develop and integrate the skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Chinese and will learn more about Chinese culture and traditions.

CHI 2200  Chinese Language III
4 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: CHI 1101

Chinese III is a semester-long course designed for non-native Chinese learners. This course aims to help students gain further listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in the official Chinese language? Mandarin (or Putonghua), laying a foundation for students to take HSK Level I, II and III. Throughout the semester, students will learn Chinese vocabulary, grammar and sentence patterns; they will also learn how to write and use these Chinese characters. This course will introduce to students more Chinese culture and traditions. Specifically, through such activities as vocabulary-in-context, sentence pattern practice, listening and reading comprehension, dialogue and role-play, practical reading and writing tasks, students will learn to use Chinese in speech and writing in more specific and professional scenarios.