

CHINESE 101 COURSE SYLLABUS

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Text: Integrated Chinese Simplified Character 3rd Edition

Work book: Integrated Chinese Simplified Character 3rd Edition

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 – 10:30

For the students in Oshkosh, Stout and Green Bay students can skype me any time between 9:30 – 11:00am.

Friday by appointment

Course Description

Chinese 101 is the beginning level language course. It does not require prior knowledge of the Chinese language. The course will focus on all four language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. It will also introduce students to the various cultural aspects of China. This two semester course will provide students with a solid foundation in Chinese grammar and vocabulary, which is a necessary preparation for continued study of the Chinese language. Oral expression using the Chinese language will be an important aspect of this course

Course Objective

CHINESE 101 is an introduction to the Chinese language and Chinese characters. By the end of the semester, with reasonable effort, students will be able to handle routine situations of a concrete personal and social nature. In this course you will develop the following skills:

- Developing effective Chinese language pronunciations (han yu pin yin)
- Beginning to write Chinese characters
- Meeting and greeting people, and understanding class instructions
- Talking about family, friends and hobbies
- Telling time, dates and days of the week
- Describing school activities
- Talking about the weather

- Writing accurate short passages on familiar and personal topics.

Course Requirements

- 1) In order to succeed in this course, regular attendance and active participation in class are extremely important. In accordance with Departmental policy, unexcused absences will be noted and three or more will cause a reduction in points on the final exam. In addition, assignments or quizzes missed due to an unexcused absence cannot be made up.
- 2) **Home work and assignments:** Most of the work for this class will be completed outside of the classroom. Other compositions and exercises assigned by the instructor are to be done independently outside of class in order to make the best use of group time during the class hours. Homework must be done on time.
- 3) **Quizzes** will be given every Thursday to ensure that students have understood and grasped new material and know the characters we have learned. Make- up quizzes are not permitted.
- 4) **Tests and Exams:** There will be a test after each chapter, a mid-term oral exam and a final comprehensive exam which will include oral exams.
- 5) **Grading Policy:** Grades will be calculated as follows:

Attendance :	10%	A = 93 – 100	C+ = 77 - 79
Classroom participation	10%	A- = 90 - 92	C = 73-76
Assignments	20%	B+ = 88 – 89	C = 70 - 72
Quizzes & Chapter Tests	30%	B = 83 – 87	D + = 67 - 69
Oral Tests	15%	B - = 80 – 82	D = 60 - 66
Final exams	15%	F = 59 & under	

7) Classroom Etiquette:

1. Turn off cell phones.

2. Do not chew gum in language class
3. Do not eat your lunch in class.
4. Turn off iPods and MP3 players.
5. Remove hats and sunglasses.
6. Any computer use must pertain to current class room activities.

Suggestions for success in learning the Chinese Language:

- Attendance is important. Come to class on time and prepared.
- This is language class. In order to **speak**, you must **speak** the language. Participate actively in class.
- Thoroughly read and study the content of each chapter in the textbook. You are responsible for the material, whether or not it is reviewed in class.
- Do not hesitate to practice or to make mistakes. We can learn from the mistakes we make. If you don't understand please do ask the instructor.
- Do the workbook exercises on a daily basis; this will reinforce what you have learned in the classroom.
- Regularly review material from previous classes.
- If you think you might benefit from tutoring, please discuss with your instructor as early in the semester as possible.
- Install the Chinese language bar on your own computer.

Lab policy & Oral work: Students must spend at least two hours per week on lab work.

DEPARTMENT ATTENDANCE POLICY: Regular attendance is essential to your success in learning a foreign language. If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to complete the assignments and attend the next class fully prepared. Departmental policy authorizes a deduction of one point per absence from the final exam score.