Chinese Language Program



Our Mission

- To offer high quality instruction in Chinese language in order to meet students' various needs
- To conduct research on Chinese linguistics and teaching Chinese as a second language.
- To function as a center for Chinese language teachers' training

REGULAR LANGUAGE COURSES

CHINESE FOR SPESIFIC PURPOSES

	N (no background) Non-heritage track	W (with background) Heritage track	
Level 1	 First Year Chinese N I (UN1101) This is the regular 5-credit first-year course. If you have zero knowledge of the language, register for this one. Introductory Chinese B (UN1011) This is a <u>2.5-credit</u> course. Students who enroll in this class are expected to have learned the basics of the Chinese sound system, writing system, and some basic grammar. 	First Year Chinese W I (UN1111) If you grew up listening to Mandarin through family members and you have conversational fluency in the language but your literacy skills—reading and writing—are zero or very limited, you belong to this course.	
Level 2	Second Year Chinese N I (UN2201)	Second Year Chinese W I (UN2221)	
Level 3	Third Year Chinese N I (UN3003)	Third Year Chinese W I (UN3005)	Busness Chinese I (GU4012) The 2 nd semester of this course is slightly more advanced than the regular level-3 class.
Level 4	Fourth Year Chinese N I (GU4015)	Fourth Year Chinese Adv I (GU4017) This course is open to students with native or near-native proficiency in Chinese, who are able to read Chinese newspaper articles but would like to further improve their writing skills through a wide range of reading materials.	Media Chinese I (GU4014) This course is slightly more advanced than the regular Fourth-year Chinese (GU4015), and requires the instructor's permission.
Level 5	Fifth Year Chinese N I (GU4516)		Adv Business Chinese (GU4112) Prerequisites of this course are at least 3 years, preferrably 4 years, of Chinese or 1 year of Business Chinese (GU4012)

A NOTE ON THE FIRST-YEAR CHINESE CURRICULUM



Additional Notes:

- Introductory Chinese A (2.5 credits) + Introductory Chinese B (2.5 credits) = First-year Chinese I (5 credits)
- Students who complete Introductory Chinese **A&B** (2.5+2.5 credits) will continue with First Year Chinese **II** (5 credits) to complete their first-year Chinese curriculum.

CHINESE PLACEMENT EXAM

- The Placement Exam will be conducted **ONLINE via CourseWorks and Zoom**. The exam consists of a Written Test (Multiple Choice and Timed Composition, 8/25-9/1, 3 hours) and a Speaking Test (9/3, 10 minutes). You will need to enroll in the Chinese Placement Exam System to take the exam.
- For updated and detailed information about exam time and portal, please go to the website of the Chinese Language Program: <u>http://ealac.columbia.edu/program/language-programs/chinese/clp-placement/</u>
- For other Placement Exam related questions, please contact **Hú laoshi** at <u>lh2318@columbia.edu</u>.
- If you have a high school (excluding international schools) or college diploma from a region where Chinese is the official language, you do not need to take this exam. Please contact Jiāng laoshi (<u>tj2342@columbia.edu</u>) to receive the language certificate, which will exempt you from the 2-year foreign language requirement.

SUMMER PROGRAMS IN BEIJING, SHANGHAI & NEW YORK



- Summer Language Program at the University of International Business and Economics (Beijing)
- Business Chinese and Internship Program at Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
- Summer Language Program in New York



LANGUAGE & CULTURE



AT A II

Chinese Traditional Music Ensemble



Lunar New Year Party



Chinese Speech Contest



For questions regarding the Chinese Language Program or Chinese language courses in general, please visit the website: <u>http://ealac.columbia.edu/language-programs/Chinese/</u> Or contact Prof. Lening Liu at <u>ll172@columbia.edu</u>