

Effective: Spring 2020

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title: Introductory Chinese I

Course Number: CHIN 100

Credits: 3

Total Weeks: 14 (Fall, Spring)
12 (Summer)

Total Hours: 45

Course Level: ☒ First Year ☐ Second Year
☐ New ☐ Revised Course
☐ Replacement Course

Department: Humanities

Department Head: P. Best

Former Course Code(s) and Number(s) (if applicable): N/A

Pre-requisites (If there are no prerequisites, type NONE): NONE. Native Mandarin speakers may not register in this course.

Co-requisite Statement (List if applicable or type NONE): NONE

Precluded Courses: N/A

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is an introduction to the Chinese language for students with little or no background in the language. The concept of pinyin Romanization is introduced; grammar is emphasized, and the study of both the traditional and simplified forms of the Chinese writing system is begun. The course also offers an introduction to the spoken forms of Chinese necessary to carry on conversations in daily situations.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- To introduce students to basic Chinese with emphasis on verbal communication and pronunciation using pinyin system.
- At the end of this course, the students should master the pronunciation, meanings, and writing of the key Chinese characters (both the traditional and the simplified forms wherever applicable) and Chinese grammar used in lessons 1-15 of Practical Chinese Reader Book I.
- To familiarize the students with some aspects of Chinese culture.

INSTRUCTION AND GRADING

Instructional (Contact) Hours:

Type	Duration
Lecture	45
Seminars/Tutorials	
Laboratory	
Field Experience	
Other (<i>specify</i>):	
Total	45

Grading System: Letter Grades ☒ Percentage ☐ Pass/Fail ☐ Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory ☐ Other ☐

Specify passing grade: 50%

Evaluation Activities and Weighting (total must equal 100%)

Assignments: %	Lab Work: %	Participation: 10% Attendance	Project: 10% Oral Presentation
Quizzes/Test: 30% Unit Test, Quizzes	Midterm Exam: 20%	Final Exam: 30%	Other: %

TEXT(S) AND RESOURCE MATERIALS

Provide a full reference for each text and/or resource material and include whether required/not required.

Practical Chinese Reader Book I

COURSE TOPICS

List topics and sequence covered.

Week	Topic
Week 1	Third-tone Rules & Types of Syllables
Week 2	Scheme for Chinese Phonetic Alphabet & Stroke Order of Character
Week 3	Sentences with an Adjectival Predicate
Week 4	Country Names & Dialect Areas
Week 5	Names of the Provinces & Questions with an Interrogative Pronoun
Week 6	Simplified and Traditional Forms of Chinese Characters
	Midterm
Week 7	Rules of Phonetic Spelling
Week 8	Sentences with a Verbal Predicate & Minority Nationalities
Week 9	Retroflex Finals & Dictionaries
Week 10	Phonetics Review & Chinese Poem
Week 11	Types of Questions & Sentences with Verbal Constructions in Series
Week 12	Parts of Speech & Prepositional Phrases
Week 13	Numeration for Numbers & Measure Words
Week 14	Final Exam

NOTES

1. Students are required to follow all College policies. Policies are available on the website at: [Coquitlam College Policies](#)
2. To find out how this course transfers, visit the BC Transfer Guide at: bctransferguide.ca

Last Revised: January 2022

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