

CHIN4017 Chinese Reading Syllabus (Hybrid)

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Instructor Information

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General Information

Description

The course develops proficiency in reading various topics in intermediate-level Mandarin Chinese. Emphasis will be placed on (1) the ability and speed to understand written Chinese and understand the proposed readings, and (2) comparing the written language with the spoken language. By practicing reading in and out of class, the student will expand new vocabulary.

Modality

Hybrid (25% in-person meetings, 75% online meetings)

Expectations and Goals

At the end of the semester, students will be able to:

1. expand their vocabulary in the areas studied,
2. identify and correct grammar problems,
3. develop the ability to guess and associate the meaning of new words,
4. recognize and differentiate Chinese characters more easily and quickly,
5. develop the ability to study or read Chinese readings on their own,
6. translate Chinese literatures on close topics of daily life,
7. strengthen Chinese reading comprehension level through readings and exercises,
8. handle Chinese with greater clarity, precision, fluency, and correctness,
9. differentiate words in spoken and written forms,
10. analyze basic information from different media

Course Material

- 汉语阅读教程 Chinese Reading Course Book 3, 3rd Edition, Beijing Language and Culture University

Course Evaluation

Item	Percentage %
1. Attendance	10
2. Participation	10
3. Assignments	30
4. 3 Exams	50

1. Attendance 10%

- a. The online meetings will be on MS Teams; in-person meetings will be for exams and reviewing . The dates will be announced beforehand.
- b. Student will receive a 0.5% deduction if they enter class late.
- c. Student will be marked absent and receive a 1.5% deduction if they (1) enter 15 minutes after the class starts without a justified reason, (2) leave before the class ends without a justified reason, or (3) miss the class without a justified reason.
- d. If you miss an online class, please watch the recorded lesson before we start the next class, inform the professor that you have done so, and you may get 1% back from the 1.5% deduction.
- e. Student with 3 or more absences in total (even if you watched the video recording) NOT because of medical reasons, emergencies, or poor internet connection would receive a 30% deduction of the original semester grade, i.e., if you missed 3 classes and your final score is 90% (A), you will receive a D.
- f. A student with 4 or more absences in total (even if you watched the video recording) because of medical reasons or emergencies will receive a 30% deduction of the semester grade.
- g. A student with 5 or more absences in total (even if you watched the video recording), no matter the reasons, will receive a grade F.
- h. You are responsible for tracking your own attendance.

2. Participation 10%

- a. Individual Participation (5%): Students should participate in class and in Moodle's new words glossary. You will receive points when you:
 - i. ask a good question
 - ii. answer correctly in Mandarin
 - iii. give an insightful comment
 - iv. give correct examples using the word/grammar that is being discussed
 - v. correct other students' errors
 - vi. provide tips on remembering the word or grammar rule
- b. Group Participation (5%): Each group will be assigned to translate a part of the text. A member of the group will post the translated text to Moodle before the class starts. Points will be given based on teamwork, punctuality, and how well the texts are translated.

3. Assignments 30%

- a. It is students' responsibility to complete and turn in the assignments on time. Please remember the submission dates. The professor and your classmates are not responsible for reminding you.
- b. Assignments include:
 - i. Preview quizzes (预习考试, 50pts each): Please study the new words and preview materials (the links in each module). Part 1 of the quiz is fill in the blank with the new word; part 2 is grammar multiple choice
 - ii. Textbook exercises (练习, 50pts each): After we finish discussing the text, please do textbook exercises 2 and 3 and put your answers in Moodle.
- c. Rules for late assignments:
 - i. 20% deduction if submitted after the deadline and before the class begins.
 - ii. Any later submissions will be 0.

4. Exams 15%+15%+20%

- a. There will be 3 online exams: 1st exam (Lessons 1-3), 2nd exam (Lessons 4, 5, and L5 supplementary Reading), and final exam (Lessons 6 and additional reading materials).

Additional Resources

Links

1. [Chinese character worksheets](#)
2. [Handian Online Chinese Dictionary](#) - To search the English definition or the stroke order of a character, type the character (e.g. 你) in the search bar. To search the English definition of a word, type the word (e.g. 哥哥) in the search bar.
3. [Centro de tutorías](#) - If you need help with learning Mandarin and other languages, please make an appointment with one of the tutors.
4. [Study in Taiwan](#)
5. [Taiwan Scholarships](#)

Instagram Accounts

1. Bitesized Chinese
2. Skritter Chinese
3. Chinese Zero to Hero
4. YiQi Hanzi

YOUR MENTAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL HEALTH ARE IMPORTANT!

If you have any health condition that might hinder your academic performance (e.g. reading, speaking, listening, writing, concentrating, participating, etc.), I encourage you to contact OSEI and talk to me in order to receive the best study experience possible.

Wish you all a pleasant Mandarin-learning experience!

Ley 51: Acomodo razonable

Los estudiantes que reciban servicios de Rehabilitación Vocacional deben comunicarse con la profesora al inicio del semestre para planificar el acomodo razonable y equipo asistivo necesario conforme a las recomendaciones de la Oficina de Asuntos para las Personas con Impedimento (OAPI) del Decanato de Estudiantes. También aquellos estudiantes con necesidades especiales que requieren de algún tipo de asistencia o acomodo deben comunicarse con la profesora al inicio del semestre.

Normativa sobre discrimen por sexo y género en modalidad de violencia sexual

La Universidad de Puerto Rico prohíbe el discrimen por razón de sexo y género en todas sus modalidades, incluido el hostigamiento sexual. Según la Política Institucional contra el Hostigamiento Sexual en la Universidad de Puerto Rico, Certificación Núm. 130, 2014-2015 de la Junta de Gobierno, si un estudiante se ve afectado o fue afectado por conductas relacionadas a hostigamiento sexual, puede acudir ante la Oficina de la Procuraduría Estudiantil, el Decanato de Estudiantes o la Coordinadora de Cumplimiento con Título IX para orientación y/o presentar una queja.

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Según el artículo 6.2 del Código de Conducta Estudiantil, toda forma de deshonestidad académica estará sujeta a sanciones disciplinarias. La deshonestidad académica se define así: “Toda forma de deshonestidad o falta de integridad académica, incluyendo, pero sin limitarse a, acciones fraudulentas, la obtención de notas o grados académicos valiéndose de falsas o fraudulentas simulaciones, copiar total o parcialmente la labor académica de otra persona, plagiar total o parcialmente el trabajo de otra persona, copiar total o parcialmente las respuestas de otra persona a las preguntas de un examen, haciendo o consiguiendo que otro tome en su nombre cualquier prueba o examen oral o escrito, así como la ayuda o facilitación para que otra persona incurra en la referida conducta.”

Código de conducta estudiantil, Universidad de Puerto Rico, diciembre de 2010