



FUDA CHIN 100 Beginning Chinese I

The Alliance for Global Education Contemporary Society and Language Program, Spring 2012

General Information on the Course

This class is designed for students who have never studied Chinese or have learned basic Chinese grammar patterns less than 1 semester. This class meets 4 times a week for a total of 12.5 hours per week. Students are expected to spend 2-3 hours a day preparing for class, previewing for daily dictation, and doing homework. Students can speak English in class during the first two weeks; after that only Chinese is allowed in the class. Students will mainly focus on improving their Chinese pronunciation and tones, learning new grammar patterns and practicing the newly learned grammar and vocabulary. Organized in-class activities include daily dictation, bi-weekly tests, memorizing dialogues, and completing oral exercises such as retelling stories, making up dialogues, giving presentations, and performing skits.

Objectives

This class helps students strengthen their skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The topics in the textbook cover the most commonly used conversations. The class is designed for 14 weeks and mainly focuses on improving students' listening and speaking abilities. In this semester, students are expected to learn at least 15 new Chinese words every class day on average, and to master approximately 430 new characters, to recognize and write 545 new words and 175 new grammar patterns. Students should be able to function in Chinese in their daily life with good confidence and to hold conversations with local Chinese people on most common topics, such as talking about Chinese culture, food, customs and local arts etc.

Students are required to take four Chinese courses; these are the Grammar class, Drill 1 & 2, and One-on-one. Before each class, students should prepare by reviewing the new words for that lesson. During class, the teacher will introduce students to the new grammar patterns and vocabulary. After the grammar class, students will practice the grammar learned in the Drill 1& 2 classes. The once a week One-On-One class gives students the opportunity to chat with their teacher and focus on a specific aspect of the language.

Textbook

New Practical Chinese Reader, Professor Liu Xun

Class hours & Classroom

1. Monday through Friday (except Wednesday morning): Chinese Class
Section 1: 9:50-10:40
Section 2: 10:50-11:35
Section 3: 11:45-12:30
2. Tuesday or Wednesday: One on One, 25 minute session Tuesday between 14:00 and 16:15 or, Wednesday between 9:50 and 12:15.
3. Friday: Weekly composition and Bi-weekly Test

Pre-Class Preparation

Before the Chinese class, students are expected to:

- Listen to the DVDs included with the textbook regularly and frequently
- Be familiar with new vocabulary from the dialogues
- Be able to read and write the new words correctly
- Preview and try to understand the grammar patterns from the related chapters
- Memorize the dialogue/chapter assigned by the class instructors
- Complete homework assignments

In Class

- It is important that students pay attention to the teachers.
- There is a daily dictation in session 1 with vocabulary and key sentences. Students are required to review what they have learned the day before and preview the new lesson.
- The dictation will start at the beginning of each class. Students are expected to learn how to write both in pinyin and characters.
- When retelling the dialogue, students should try to memorize the text and learn to retell it with accurate and natural pronunciation.

After Class

- Review the recently learned lessons and preview new vocabulary, grammar patterns, and dialogues for next class.
- Finish the homework assigned by your professor.
- If you have enough time, practice with language partners or Chinese roommates: Role-play, culture experience and practical daily conversations.

Attendance Requirement

Class attendance is mandatory. It is essential that students come to the class on time and attend class regularly. Students are allowed to miss class only if it is approved by the Program Director. Make-up exams and homework will be offered to students who have Program Director's approval. The make-up work should be completed as soon as the student is available for class. Students who miss class for any reason not approved by the Program Director will receive a zero for any exams and/or homework given during missed class time.

During the semester, there will be the following tests:

Bi- Weekly quiz.

Mid-Term exam.

Final exam

Evaluation Methods

Participation	10%
Dictation	10%
Homework	10%
Quizzes	15%
Mid-Term Exam	25%
Final Exam	30%

Grading Policies

A+	99-100%	
A	95-100%	
A-	90-94%	Excellent performance
B+	87-89%	
B	83-86%	
B-	80-82%	Good performance
C+	77-79%	
C	73-76%	
C-	70-72%	Acceptable performance
D+	65-69%	
D	60-64%	
F	0 -59%	Failure of the course

Class Schedule

Week 1					
2/6—2/10	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar		Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
12:40-13:50	Lunch Time				
14:00-14:50					
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 2					
2/13—2/17	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Review	Bi-Weekly Test
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2			
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 3					
2/20—2/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 4					
2/27—3/2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Review	Bi-Weekly Test
10:50-11:35	Drill	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2			
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 5					
3/5—3/9	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Field Trip				
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50					
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 6					
3/12—3/16	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Travel Report
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 7					
3/19—3/23	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Review	Bi-weekly Test
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2			
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50		Cook Competition			
15:50-16:15					

Week 8					
3/26—3/30	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Chinese Songs Competition & Vote Chinese Stars		Drill 2	Drill 2
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 9					
4/2—4/6	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	Ching Ming Festival	Review	Mid-term Exam
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2			
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 10					
4/9—4/13	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Independent Trip				
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50					
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 11					
4/16—4/20	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 12					
4/23—4/27	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Speech Contest	Bi-Weekly Test
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Review			
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 13					
4/30-5/4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Labor Day	One on One	Grammar	Grammar
10:50-11:35	Drill 1			Drill 1	Drill 1
11:45-12:30	Drill 2			Drill 2	Drill 2
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50					
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 14					
5/7-5/11	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Bi-weekly Test	Long Weekend Trip
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1			
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Review			
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					

Week 15					
5/14-5/18	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Grammar	One on One	Grammar	Review
10:50-11:35	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Exit Exam
11:45-12:30	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	
12:40-13:50		Language Table			
14:00-14:50		One on One			
15:00-15:50					

15:50-16:15					
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Week 16					
5/21--5/25	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:50-10:40	Grammar	Review	One on One	Final Oral Presentation &Review	Final Exam (Written)
10:50-11:35	Drill 1				
11:45-12:30	Drill 2				
12:40-13:50					
14:00-14:50		One on One		Office Hour 15:00-18:00 19:00-21:00	
15:00-15:50					
15:50-16:15					