



FUDA CHIN 401 Advanced Chinese IV
The Alliance for Global Education Contemporary Society and
Language Program

General Information on the Course

On average, students have previously studied Chinese for 7 semesters before taking this course and have already learned some intermediate Chinese grammar patterns. 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. 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. Students are expected to learn at least 35 new Chinese words every class day. By the end of the semester, students will be able to learn 1652 new characters, to recognize and write 3380 new words, as well as 240 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. In addition, with using some high level vocabulary, students can also talk about some social issues, such as birth control in China and women's social status in Chinese society, 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

Text Book, Lessons 1-18, by The Alliance for Global Education

Classroom and Hours

1. From Monday to Friday (except Wednesday morning) Chinese Class
Section 1: 8:40-9:40
Section 2: 9:55-10:40
Section 3: 10:50-11:35
2. One on One: 25' on Monday 11:45-12:10&Tuesday 12:35-15:30
3. Wednesday Morning: Individual Session
4. 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 the 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 the class

- Review the recently learned lessons and preview new vocabulary, grammar patterns, and dialogues for next day's class.
- Finish the homework in the workbook assigned by the professors.
- If you have enough time, practice with language partners: Role-play, culture experience and practical daily conversations.

Attendance Requirements

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, homework will be offered to students who have program director's approval. It should be done as soon as the student is available for class. Students who miss class for any other reasons will receive zero score for any exams, 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

Attendance and 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					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L1 Grammar	L2 Grammar		L3 (I) Grammar	L3 (II) Grammar
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20					
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 2					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L4 (I) Grammar	L4 (II) Grammar		Review	Bi-Weekly Quiz
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1			
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2			
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 3					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L5 (I) Grammar	L5 (II) Grammar		L6 (I) Grammar	L6 (II) Grammar
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 4					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L7 (I) Grammar	L7 (II) Grammar		Review	Bi-Weekly Quiz
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill1			
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill2			
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 5					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	Spring Festival Break				
9:55-10:40					
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20					
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 6					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	Study Tour				
9:55-10:40					
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20					
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 7					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L8 (I) Grammar	L8 (II) Grammar		L9 (I) Grammar	L9 (II) Grammar
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Chinese Songs Contest
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 8					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L10(I) Grammar	L10(II) Grammar		Review	Bi-Weekly Quiz
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1			
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2			
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 9					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L11(I) Grammar	L11(II) Grammar		Review	Mid-term Exam
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1			
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2			
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 10					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	Independent Travel				
9:55-10:40					
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20					
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 11					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L12(I) Grammar	L12(II) Grammar		L13(I) Grammar	L13(II) Grammar
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Drill 1
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	Drill 2
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 12					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	Ching Ming Festival	L14(I) Grammar		Review	Bi-Weekly Quiz
9:55-10:40		Drill 1			
10:50-11:35		Drill 2			
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20			One on One		
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 13					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L14(II) Grammar	L15(I) Grammar		L15(II) Grammar	Weekend Trip
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 14					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L16(I) Grammar	L16(II) Grammar		Review	Bi-Weekly Quiz
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1			
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2			
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					

Week 15					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	L17(I) Grammar	L17(II) Grammar		L18(I) Grammar	L18(II) Grammar
9:55-10:40	Drill 1	Drill 1		Drill 1	Exit Exam 10:00-11:30
10:50-11:35	Drill 2	Drill 2		Drill 2	
11:45-12:30	One on One				
12:35-13:20		One on One			
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					Chinese Performance

Week 16					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-9:40	May Day	Review		Office Hour 9:00-12:00 15:00-18:00	Final Exam
9:55-10:40					
10:50-11:35					
11:45-12:30					
12:35-13:20				Office Hour 19:00-21:00	
13:30-14:15					
14:25-15:30					