

CN 0400

Chinese for Beginners I

3 credits

The course studies the Chinese sound system, pronunciation, Chinese romanization-Pinyin and everyday conversation focusing on basic vocabularies.

CN 0401

Chinese for Beginners II

3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 0400 Chinese for Beginners I

The course studies more vocabularies and sentence patterns to develop the listening and speaking skills in daily life.

CN 1400

Introduction to Chinese

3 credits

This elementary course studies the basics of the Mandarin language. The aim is to master Chinese script, to get familiar with the characters and the phonological system and to acquire the grammatical forms of primary importance. Articulatory drills are designed for a rapid development of speaking ability.

CN 1401

Chinese I

3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 1400 Introduction to Chinese

This course develops further skills in listening, understanding, speaking and writing Chinese for daily use. Knowledge of Grammar and syntax will be expanded and the vocabulary systematically broadened through reading basic texts concerned with everyday life in the Chinese-speaking world or Chinese organizations.

CN 2401 Chinese II 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 1401 Chinese I

There will be further practice in listening, speaking, writing and reading. A rapid vocabulary expansion prepares students for reading original texts. Further grammatical structures will be introduced.

CN 2402 Chinese III 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2401 Chinese II

The aim of this course is fluency in all four functions of the language. The course involves intensive practical exercises, grammar, vocabulary, oral expression and reading drills; reading of original texts from various areas of Chinese life and culture. Writing assignments will provide the basis for verbal proficiency in all fields.

CN 3403 Chinese IV 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

This course aims at perfecting students' knowledge of the Chinese language in all fields, expanding Vocabulary and knowledge of literary Chinese structure. Particular focus will be placed on idiomatic usage to lay the background for literary Chinese.

CN 3410 Business Communication in Chinese I 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

This course is to develop skills in Chinese business communications. It practices a clear and efficient communication through studying the composition, form, structure and language of letters. It introduces technical terms in business writing, surveys and defines the various forms of business communication. It demonstrates the correct, appropriate formats. Intensive practice will be done in the writing of various types of business letters.

CN 3411 Business Communication in Chinese I 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 3410 Business Communication in Chinese I

This course involves practicing the writing of the more complex genres of business letters; personal record sheets and resumes. Emphasis will also be given to analytical reports, information items, agendas, minutes, product descriptions, memoranda and interviews.

CN 3420 Introduction to Chinese Linguistics 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2401 Chinese II

A study in the vocalic and consonantal systems of the Mandarin language. It analyses special features of the language: phonetics, phonemics, grammatical patterns and their specific difficulties, words, sentence structures and idiomatic usage.

CN 3430 Oral Comprehension and Expression 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

This course is designed to enhance students' listening, understanding, speaking and discussing abilities. Texts related to various other fields of Chinese culture form the basis of this practice in discussion and fluent communication of opinions.

CN 3431 Chinese Conversation and Discussion I 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 3430 Oral Comprehension and Expression

The aim of this course is to develop skills in conversation on various topics of interest to modern life. This course stresses the basic conversational skills of everyday life, including some business topics. Group and panel discussions will help improve the students' oral expression, fluency and accuracy in making their points.

CN 3441 Chinese Reading and Oral Report 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

This course enhances the skills acquired in the prerequisite course, CN 2402 Chinese III. Through reading articles, the students will perfect their understanding and retention of data. They will practice the gathering and organization of information and the drafting of reports in business fields. Emphasis is also given on presenting reports orally.

CN 3450 Introduction to Chinese Writing 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 3403 Chinese IV

This course is to develop the skill of writing. Students will practice writing correct sentence patterns and using the right Chinese words, idioms and expressions in forms of notes, diaries, memorandums, summaries and essays.

CN 3461 Aspects of Chinese-Speaking Countries 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 3403 Chinese IV

A sociological study of the Chinese life style, thought patterns, mentality and Chinese civilization. The course covers fields as various as history, geography, and economy.

CN 3470 Translation I: Chinese-Thai 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

In this course, the purposes, methods and techniques of translation are demonstrated. Students will practice the art of translation from texts, such as research articles, newspapers, textbooks and other mainly business-oriented materials. They will gain skills in analyzing sentence patterns of the foreign language and applying correct words, idioms and structures of Thai language to convey the accurate meanings and style levels of the original documents.

CN 3480 Chinese for Secretaries 3 credits

Prerequisite: CN 2402 Chinese III

Skills and correctness in hearing, speaking, reading and writing of the Chinese language as it is relevant within the framework of secretarial work of all sorts are aimed at in this course. There will be studies and practice of the optimal use of spoken and written language techniques in both direct and mediated communication that include the principles and techniques of business communication, and the ability to compose letters, memos and reports. All these studies are also designed to enhance general and business vocabularies.

CN 3481	Chinese for Tourism	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 2402 Chinese III	

This course studies and practices the use of the Chinese language for correct and efficient communication that meets the needs of travel business.

CN 3482	Chinese for Hotels	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 2402 Chinese III	

This course is designed to study and practice Chinese as used in hotels: to receive guests, to render other services both inside and outside, etc.

CN 4432	Chinese Conversation and Discussion II	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3431 Chinese Conversation and Discussion I	

It offers to advance students practice in conversation on topics ranging from everyday life to strictly business. The aim is a high degree of proficiency, efficiency and adequacy in the oral application of the Mandarin language in a business environment. Discussions in groups on selected written documents and some spoken texts are designed to perfect the students' spoken expression for the purpose of various situations like conferences, the telephone calls, interviews.

CN 4433	Public Speaking in Chinese	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3431 Chinese Conversation and Discussion I	

This course brings forth understanding of the basic principles of speech and voice production and proficiency in their use. It enhances speech skills common to all forms of communication; the selection and evaluation of materials for speech; organization, thought, voice, action, and the optimal speaker-listener relation. Practice in argumentation, non-verbal communication means and language behavior will provide the students with the tools for an excellent approach in all fields of Chinese communication.

CN 4434	Advanced Listening and Speaking	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3430 Oral Comprehension and Expression	

The course advances students' listening and speaking skills. The students will learn to summarize what they have heard and express their thoughts orally and effectively.

CN 4440	Reading in Business Chinese	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 2402 Chinese III	

This course is designed to meet students' need for increased comprehension and speed in reading research material related to business. It advances proficiency and efficiency in interpreting the organization and objectives of these various texts. 120

CN 4442	Reading in Chinese Newspapers I	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3403 Chinese IV	

This course involves readings and analyses of various newspapers articles, which will be interpreted for understanding of language and content in view of business and other topics of current interest.

CN 4443	Reading in Chinese Newspapers II	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 4442 Reading in Chinese Newspapers I	

The course advances students' skills in reading, analyzing and summarizing various articles concerning business and topics of current interest from Chinese newspapers.

CN 4451	Report Writing in Chinese I	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3450 Introduction to Chinese Writing	

This course develops skills in writing texts: summaries, descriptions and research reports, and in planning, drafting and elaborating of basic reports. It shows the various formats of reports, outlines, appendixes, and footnotes in research documents. It also presents the characteristics of research terminology.

CN 4452	Report Writing in Chinese II	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 4451 Report Writing in Chinese I	

This course represents a more accelerated study and practice in the systems, rules, logic and application of business and technical research reports.

CN 4460	Survey of Chinese Literature	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3403 Chinese IV	

This course is a survey and study of Chinese literary works in prose, poetry and drama. It includes readings and discussions of some outstanding representative works. The development of Chinese literature from the beginning to the present day and the main theoretical movements in Chinese thought will be examined.

CN 4471	Translation II: Thai-Chinese	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3470 Translation I: Chinese-Thai	

This course involves the purposes, methods and techniques of translation. Students will practice the art of translation from text such as, research articles, newspapers, textbooks and other mainly business-oriented materials. They will gain skills in analyzing Thai sentence patterns and applying correct Chinese words, idioms and structure to convey the accurate meanings and style levels of the original documents.

CN 4472	Translation in Business Chinese	3 credits
Prerequisite:	CN 3403 Chinese IV	

This course is designed to train students to translate business data from newspapers, texts, magazines, etc. from Chinese into Thai and vice-versa, while keeping the full and accurate meaning of the message translated.

CN 4490	Seminar	3 credits
Prerequisite:	Consent of Instructor	

The seminar presents a conclusive study opportunity of various problems in using the foreign language in business fields and selected topics. A set of research topics will be established and discussed in workshops and panel discussion.