



CIEE in Shanghai, China

Course name:	Chinese – Beginning for Heritage Learners
Course number:	CHIN 1005 SCGC
Programs offering course:	Shanghai Business, Language and Culture; Shanghai China in Global Context
Language of instruction:	Chinese
U.S. Semester Credits:	6
Contact Hours:	90
Term:	Fall 2019

Course Description

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Learning Objectives

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Course Prerequisites

Students are required to have approximately one semester of college-level Chinese language study.

Methods of Instruction

Class instruction emphasizes communication, interaction, performance, and group work. Language meals, language clinic, peer tutors, and trips outside of class support this learning system.

Assessment and Final Grade

1. Participation:	20%
2. Quizzes:	10%
3. Homework:	15%
4. Oral tests:	20%
5. Written tests:	30%
6. Language commitment:	5%

All coursework must be submitted directly to the instructor of record, unless the student has received other explicit, documented instructions to the contrary. You are required to keep hard copies of all assignments for up to one year after the completion of the program, in addition to any digital copies required by the instructor. It is your responsibility to make sure the instructor has received all your required work. Failure to do so may result in zero credit for lost assignments.

Neither individual instructors, the Language Director nor the Center Director have final authority to extend deadlines past the end of the semester, make special arrangements for students to submit late work, or otherwise modify CIEE academic policies. The CIEE Chief Academic Officer is the only person



authorized to approve exceptions to these policies.

Course Requirements

Quizzes

Quizzes are given nearly every day except the exam days, and typically take the form of dictations, in which you are asked to write Chinese characters, Pinyin, and/or English for words or sentences. No make-up quizzes are allowed.

Homework

Homework is assigned on a daily basis, and it is important that you hand in your homework on time. Late homework is accepted up to one week after the deadline and will be marked down 1 point (out of 10) on each assignment grade. Missing homework will reduce your final course grade by 0.5% per assignment, up to 15% of your final grade.

Oral tests

There is an oral test at the end of every two to three chapters, in the form of individual, pair, or group work. Instructions will be given to you prior to the tests. The oral tests are worth of 20% of the final grade.

Written tests

Tests are given at the end of every two to three chapters, consisting of listening, reading, and writing tests. There are also midterm and final written exams. The written tests are worth of 30% of the final grade.

Language commitment

Language commitment is worth 5% of the final grade. Speaking Chinese is required in the Chinese classroom building and the Chinese-Language-Only Areas in the CIEE Study Center building, offices, conference rooms, and other CIEE-affiliated areas. Speaking Chinese is also required when interacting with CIEE staff, host family or Chinese roommate, with other CIEE students in the campus residence hall, and in any other environment whenever possible. Speaking language other than Mandarin Chinese in these areas or environments may reduce the final grade in Chinese class by 1 - 5% points.

Attendance and Class Participation

Your attendance and active participation in each class session is essential for a successful language course. It is important that you come to class well-prepared. Attendance is worth 10% and participation is worth another 10% of your final grade. Participation means both physical attendance and active engagement in class. Your final grade will be reduced 1% per day of unexcused absences in language classes, or 0.5% per class hour, up to 10%. Absences may be excused in the event of a medical necessity or family emergency. In such cases, you may request an Excused Absence Form from the CIEE office. First submit the form to the head language instructor for her or his approval and signature, prior to submitting the completed form, together with a note from the attending physician or other supporting documentation, for approval from the Language Director. The Excused Absence Form may not be used more than two times per semester. Absence for three weeks of Chinese classes or more may result in failure of the course.



Weekly Schedule

Week 1

- 1.1 Have You Ever Climbed the Great Wall?
Expressing past experiences; Expressing new changes and recent plans; Discussing one's likes and dislikes; Pets
Readings: Textbook, page 1-26
- 1.2 Have You Ever Climbed the Great Wall?
Expressing past experiences; Expressing new changes and recent plans; Discussing one's likes and dislikes; Pets
Readings: Textbook, page 1-26
- 1.3 Is Everyone Here?
Expressing ongoing actions; Completion of an action and the realization of an event; Expressing speculations and estimations; Body and health
Readings: Textbook, page 1-26
- 1.4 Is Everyone Here?
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Readings: Textbook, page 1-26

Week 2

- 2.1 Unit Test 1
- 2.2 When Did They Arrive?
Expressing times, location, manners, etc. of past actions; Ways to connect topics
Readings: Textbook, page 27-40
- 2.3 When Did They Arrive?
Expressing times, location, manners, etc. of past actions; Ways to connect topics
Readings: Textbook, page 27-40
- 2.4 You're Dressed So Beautifully Today
Comments on actions and states; Expressing compliments and wishes; Wishing someone a Happy Birthday; The zodiac animals
Readings: Textbook, page 41-54

Week 3

- 3.1 You're Dressed So Beautifully Today
Comments on actions and states; Expressing compliments and wishes; Wishing someone a Happy Birthday; The zodiac animals



Readings: Textbook, page 41-54

3.2 Unit Test 2

3.3 The Weather in My Hometown Is Better Than Here
Expressing comparisons; Talking about the weather
Readings: Textbook, page 55-82

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Week 4

4.1 It's Not So Hot in My Hometown.
Talking about seasons and the climate
Readings: Textbook, page 55-82

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Talking about seasons and the climate
Readings: Textbook, page 55-82

4.3 Unit Test 3

4.4 My Hometown Is in the Northeast
Expressing direction and location; Talking about one's home and the environment;
Urban and rural areas
Readings: Textbook, page 55-82

Week 5

5.1 My Hometown Is in the Northeast
Expressing direction and location; Talking about one's home and the environment
Readings: Textbook, page 55-82

5.2 Is Your Home Far From the Sea?
Urban and rural areas
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5.4 I Have Studied Chinese for Half a Year
Expressing duration of time and times/frequency of actions; Compliments and criticisms;



Learning a foreign language
Readings: Textbook, page 83-96

Week 6

- 6.1 I Have Studied Chinese for Half a Year
Expressing duration of time and times/frequency of actions; Compliments and criticisms;
Learning a foreign language
Readings: Textbook, page 83-96
- 6.2 Chinese Characters
Learning structure of Chinese characters; Learning fundamental strokes of Chinese characters; Learning and recognizing common radicals of Chinese characters
Readings: Supplementary book, page 1-30
- 6.3 Review Class
- 6.4 Midterm Exam

Week 7

- 7.1 The Train Tickets Are Sold Out
Expressing actions and their result; Expressing the continuation of actions or states;
Adjusting plans and solving problems; Narrating a specific sequence of events
Readings: Textbook, page 97-110
- 7.2 The Train Tickets Are Sold Out
Expressing actions and their result; Expressing the continuation of actions or states
Readings: Textbook, page 97-110
- 7.3 All the Activities Have Already Been Scheduled.
Adjusting plans and solving problems; Narrating a specific sequence of events
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Readings: Textbook, page 97-110

Week 8

Study Break

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- 8.1 You Can Move in Right Away
Expressing the direction of actions and the movements of objects; Expressing complaints, discontent and urging somebody to do something; Renting an apartment
Readings: Textbook, page 111-136

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Readings: Textbook, page 111-136

8.3 Unit Test 4

8.4 I'm Afraid I Don't Understand
Expressing actions, behaviors and the potentiality of their result; Chinese dramas
Readings: Textbook, page 111-136

Week 9

9.1 I'm Afraid I Don't Understand
Expressing actions, behaviors and the potentiality of their result; Chinese dramas
Readings: Textbook, page 111-136

9.2 I've Left My Wallet in the Car
Expressing disposition of objects
Readings: Textbook, page 137-149

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Readings: Textbook, page 137-149

9.4 Unit Test 5

Week 10

10.1 I'll Bring the Wallet Over to You Immediately.
Expressing reproach and gratitude; Narrating the process of an event
Readings: Textbook, page 137-149

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Expressing reproach and gratitude; Narrating the process of an event
Readings: Textbook, page 137-149

10.3 I Was Nearly Hit by a Car
Expressing unhappy experiences; Expressing sympathy, condolences and regrets

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Readings: Textbook, page 150-162

Week 11



- 11.1 The Bicycle was Missing.
Narrating an unhappy incident
Readings: Textbook, page 150-162
- 11.2 The Bicycle was Missing.
Narrating an unhappy incident
Readings: Textbook, page 150-162
- 11.3 At the Wedding
Weddings; Two Chinese folk songs
Readings: Textbook, page 175-184
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Readings: Textbook, page 175-184
- Week 12**
- 12.1 Review Class I
- 12.2 Review Class II
- 12.3 Final Exam (Oral)
- 12.4 Final Exam (Written)

Note: Detailed weekly plans will be distributed to students each Thursday for the following week of classes.

Course Materials

Readings

Wu, Zhongwei. *Contemporary Chinese, vol. 2*. Beijing: Sinolingua Press, 2003; Supplementary texts.
吴中伟. 《当代中文 2》. 北京: 华语教学出版社, 2003; 补充教材.