

Fall 2008

EAC 101 : Elementary CHINESE 初級中文

Session I (class #7826)	MW	10:25 AM~11:20AM	HU 032
	TTh	10:15AM ~ 11:35AM	HU 032
Session II (class #8897)	MW	2:45 PM~3:40 PM	HU 032
	TTh	2:45 PM~4:05 PM	HU 032

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Course Description and Objectives:

This course is designed to learn both spoken and written Mandarin Chinese. Emphasis will be put on the training of the four communicative skills, listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Each lesson will focus on a typical daily conversational topic to teach the students to use the language in linguistically and socially appropriate ways, whereas the situation exercises and the interaction with fellow students will help to enable the students to integrate what they have learned into their everyday practice. By the end of the course, we expect our students to move from the novice to the intermediate level in both oral and written communicative proficiency, a standard set by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). To be specific, our students are expected to be able to communicate their ideas correctly at sentence level and handle simple survival situations.

Textbooks:

Required: **BOOKS (Simplified Character edition)**

1. Yuehua Liu, et al, *Integrated Chinese Level I, part1, Textbook, Second Edition*
2. Yuehua Liu, et al, *Integrated Chinese Level I, part1, Workbook, Second Edition*
3. Yuehua Liu, et al, *Integrated Chinese Level I, part1 Character Workbook, Second Edition*

These three textbooks are available at the **Mary Jane Bookstore**.

4. **Workbook DVD(optional)**

Multimedia Companion CD-ROM: It is recommended that you purchase the *Multimedia Companion CD-ROM*, which is designed for use with *Integrated Chinese, Level 1, Part 1*. These materials can be purchased directly from the publisher: Cheng and Tsui, 25 West St., Boston, MA, 02111-1268. www.cheng-tsui.com

Some useful Internet resources related to this class:

Listening materials for *Integrated Chinese*: <http://www.language.berkeley.edu/ic/>

Pronunciation guide: <http://www.people.fas.harvard.edu/~pinyin/>

On-line dictionary: zhongwen.com

Requirements

Chinese character forms: All written work in this class will be done in simplified-form Chinese characters, which are used in China today.

Attendance and Makeups: Students are expected to attend all classes. Attendance will be taken at the start of every class; if you arrive late and miss the roll call, you will be marked absent. **Absences are excused only if written notes on an institutional stationary are provided.**

- **One grade lower** for more than **4** inexcusable absences.
- **Two grades lower** for more than **6** inexcusable absences.
- **One Letter grade lower** for more than **8** inexcusable absences.
- Additional one grade lower for every 2 times of inexcusable absences after 9.

Make-ups for missed exams and quizzes will be given only if the absence was due to a documented medical (this means you must have a signed note from an MD saying you were physically unable to attend class) or documented personal emergency. If possible, consult with Ye Laoshi *before* the absence.

Bonus: If you come to class everyday, you will receive a grade higher than your original grade.

Exams and quizzes: After finishing each lesson there will be an exam. Exams will be given approximately once every two weeks; quizzes will be given twice a lesson. No quiz or test will be dropped.

Homework: Assignments are listed in each week's Weekly Schedule. **Late homework will not receive a grade after 5pm on the due date.** You may turn in your homework in class or in homework box labeled 'EAC 101 Homework', located outside HU 284. **Final Written Exam: TBA**

Grading System:

Classroom performance (attendance and participation)	15%
Homework (written exercises)	25%
Quizzes	15%
Tests	30%
Final exam	15%

GRADE SCALE: 93-100%=A; 90-92%=A-; 87-89%=B+; 83-86%=B; 80-82%=B-; 77-79%=C+; 73-76%=C; 70-72%=C-; 67-69%=D+; 63-66%=D; 60-62%=D-; 0-59%=E.