

CHINESE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

1 Elementary Chinese I (5) UC:CSU

LECTURE, 5 HOURS.

Note: Units cannot be earned for both Chinese 1 and Chinese 21 .

This course develops basic skills in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing Mandarin Chinese. It concentrates on pronunciation, vocabulary, sentence structure and idiomatic expressions. The course also introduces geo- graphical, historical, cultural and social features of Chinese speakers relevant to language learning. Students are expected to learn 250 written Chinese characters.

2 Elementary Chinese II (5) UC:CSU IGETC Area 6A

Prerequisite: Chinese 1 .

LECTURE, 5 HOURS.

This course continues to develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills of Mandarin Chinese with an emphasis on pronunciation, vocabulary, sentence structures, idiomatic expressions, and written characters while improving accuracy and fluency, and also increasing an understanding of cultural features relevant to language learning.

3 Intermediate Chinese I (5) UC:CSU IGETC Area 3B, 6A

Prerequisite: Chinese 2 .

LECTURE, 5 HOURS.

This course increases speed and fluency of Mandarin Chinese with expanding vocabularies and idioms in conversation, reading comprehension and written expression. Topics cover daily activities, relationships, college life, employment, Chinese customs, traveling, geography, social issues, current events and comparisons between Chinese and American cultures.

7 Conversational Chinese (3) UC:CSU

Prerequisite: Chinese 2 .

LECTURE, 3 HOURS.

This course increases listening comprehension and oral fluency in Mandarin Chinese through role-playing in practical situations and discussions with audiovisual aids. It enables students to carry on simple conversations about daily activities, current affairs, cultural events, travel information, and personal interests.

10 Chinese Civilization (3) UC:CSU IGETC Area 3B LECTURE, 3 HOURS.

This is an introductory course to Chinese civilization and its cultural heritage. Chinese 10 surveys the development of China from the ancient period to the modern era, exploring the country's customs, political institutions, economic development, history, philosophy, literature, and art as well as science and technology. This course is taught in English.

61 Elementary Chinese Conversation (2) CSU

LECTURE, 2 HOURS.

This course is designed for students who do not have any previous Mandarin Chinese background, and introduces practical Chinese vocabulary, high-frequency expressions, and sentence patterns in a

conversational setting. Themes discussed in class vary to meet the survival needs of students, tourists, and business people to function in Mandarin-speaking environments. Contemporary culture in Chinese-speaking regions is also introduced