

COURSE TITLE: Mandarin Chinese 1

Level of Difficulty	Estimated Homework	Prerequisites
Easy	0-30 Minutes	District: none Department Suggestion: none

Course Description:

This introductory course is designed for students who have no previous knowledge of the Chinese language. This course focuses on the four language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Our communicative approach to second language acquisition will engage the students in creative and lively conversations as well as activities. The course will systematically introduce vocabulary words, basic sentence structures, and grammar points to help students build real-life communicative skills as they discuss everyday topics. All students are expected to participate actively in class at the individual, small group and whole class level. Students will also be introduced to Chinese festivals, songs, history, as well as food in order to gain basic knowledge, awareness, and appreciation of Chinese culture.

Topics/Units Outline: There are 5 units in each textbook, and 3-5 lessons in each unit.

1. Introduction: China and Chinese Pronunciation (Pinyin/Tones)
2. Introduction: Chinese Writing System
3. Chinese Made Easy Book 1:
 - Unit 1: Greetings
 - Unit 2: Family
 - Unit 3: Countries & Languages
 - Unit 4: Transportation
 - Unit 5: Leisure Activities and Hobbies

Grading:

TBD

Syllabus:

TBD

Supplemental Information:

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Textbook: Chinese Made Easy (轻松学汉语), Book 1, Textbook and Workbook (Simplified Characters Version), 3rd Edition, by Joint Publishing (H.K.) Co., Ltd.

- Other supplemental materials as deemed necessary by the instructor.
- 10 credits UC subject area "e"