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Chinese Language Course Syllabus Summer 2013

Time: Monday-Friday 8:30-10:00, 10:15-11:45

Course Description

The Chinese language course is comprised of a reading & writing class (Mon-Fri 8:30-10:00) and a listening & speaking class (Mon-Fri 10:15-11:45). Different levels of classes will be offered according to students' placement test result.

Textbook

Developing Chinese (Comprehensive book & Speaking book)
Beijing Language and Culture University Press

Instructional Format

The class will include individual and group work as well as preparatory work outside of class. Students can expect to encounter authentic documentation from varied sources. Student participation will include various activities such as group discussion and oral report. Instructor-led excursions will take place throughout the course.

Forms of Assessment

The assessment forms are listed and weighted below. The content, criteria and specific requirements for each assessment category will be explained in greater detail in class.

Attendance & Class Performance	20%
Daily Quiz/Dictation	15%
Homework	15%
Mid-Test (Oral & Written)	20%
Final Exam (Oral & Written)	30%

Attendance Policy: Every student is expected to attend all scheduled class sessions on time and be thoroughly prepared for the day's class activities. To be in compliance with accreditation requirements, instructors compile regular attendance records for every course and take these records into account when evaluating student participation and performance.

- In this course, a maximum of 1/3 of total class hours of accumulated absences due to sickness, personal emergency, and other related impediments will be tolerated.
- If your absences exceed 1/3 of total class hours, you will automatically fail this course and won't be able to get your graduation certificate for this course.



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Class Participation: The grade will be calculated to reflect your participation in class discussions, your capacity to introduce ideas and thoughts dealing with the topics, your ability to interpret different uses of literary language and to express your analysis in intellectual, constructive argumentation. When determining your class participation grade, traditional criteria such as material preparation and collaborative group work are also evaluated. Additionally, it is important to demonstrate a positive and supportive attitude to the instructor and your classmates, and to give full attention to class activities (i.e., cell-phones off, laptop for notes only, etc.).

Daily Quiz/Dictation: There will be a daily quiz/dictation (10 points each) in the beginning of classes and no make-up for a missed quiz/dictation!

Homework: In order to prepare for productive participation in class, homework (10 points each) is assigned to allow you the opportunity to review material covered in the previous class as well as to anticipate material to be covered in the next class. It is therefore essential that your homework be completed in a thoughtful and insightful manner. To encourage consistent preparation, your homework will be evaluated on a regular basis. Instructors will collect your homework right after the daily quiz/dictation. If you hand in the homework within one class day late, 2 points will be deducted. If later than that, the grade will be 0.

Mid-term & Final Examination: Exams will be administered to evaluate your mastery of the assigned tasks. It will test your competency in both oral and written production.