

Chinese 222: Intensive Chinese Reading and Writing (Spring 2013)

Course Syllabus

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Chinese 222 is an advanced beginning-level course. It is assumed that the students have oral proficiency in Chinese. This course is the sequel to Chinese 121, specifically designed for students who can already speak Chinese but want to continue to learn how to read and write better in Chinese.

Textbooks:

1. Book* Required: *Oh, China! Elementary Reader of Modern Chinese for Advanced Beginners*. By Chih-p'ing Chou, Perry Link and Xuedong Wang. Princeton: Princeton Univ. Press, 1997. (ISBN 0-691-05878-4)

(***Important Note:** The homework assignments for this class will include two parts: The Chinese character assignments and exercises assignments from the textbook. The Chinese character assignments can be done on the practice sheets supplied by the instructor. You are required to make sufficient copies of them to last the whole semester. The exercise assignments will be taken from the textbook. However, students are required to **write out the homework assignments by hand on separate sheets of paper**. **DO NOT turn your homework in on pages torn from the book**. The reasons for this are: (1) The additional copying required will allow you to practice Chinese character writing; and (2) leaving the exercise pages blank will allow you to use it for testing yourself during review and practice.)

2. *Oxford Starter Chinese Dictionary*, Oxford University Press, 2000. (Provide your own.)

3. *Pinyin Chinese-English Dictionary*, published John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (Provide your own.)

All the above materials are available from the University Bookstore at One Penn Plaza, opposite the New Brunswick train station, and probably also from New Jersey Books, 108 Somerset St.

Course work requirement:

Learning a language, especially a different (not difficult) one like Chinese, takes commitment. You are required to:

- 1) attend every class;
- 2) thoroughly prepare for the scheduled lesson before class;

- 3) do your homework and turn in the assigned homework before the next class begins. *Homework includes the audio exercise hours that you are expected to fulfill.*
- 4) Take daily quizzes, weekly tests and final exam when they are given.

Departmental language course rules:

- 1) You are allowed only one unexplained and unexcused absence, and one excused absence with notes from doctors or other evidences for the unavoidability of your absence. Your final grade will be reduced by 3 percent for each day you are absent after the first two absences.
- 2) Normally no make-ups will be given for tests or quizzes. If you are ill or observing a religious holiday and notify us through the absence reporting system at <https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/>, you will be allowed to make up the test or quiz you missed on that day.
- 3) All assignments should be handed in before the class ends. Exercises handed in on time will be corrected and returned to you promptly. Persistent tardiness in finishing and returning homework will be noted and reflected in your performance score. Late assignments will be noted, but will not be corrected.

Grading Format: (1 - 4: In-Class performances; 5: Help Sessions)

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| 1. Attendance (5%) and Classroom Participation: Q/A in Chinese (5%) | 10% |
| 2. Homework/Characters (5%--simply turned in; 5%--called upon and checked) | 10% |
| 3. Daily quizzes | 40% |
| 4. Mid-Term & Final | 40% |
| 5. Extra Efforts (Bonus points—memorization/composition—checked during Help Sessions) | |

Schedule of Classes: (Subject to Change)

Week 1

W (1/23) Placement Test and Course Introduction
Chinese Radicals: “The 40 Most Commonly Used Chinese Radicals”

Week 2

MW (1/28-30) Oh, China! Lesson 11
Homework due; practice sheets

Week 3

MW (2/4-6) Oh, China! Lesson 12
Homework due; practice sheets

Week 4

MW (2/11-13) Oh, China! Lesson 13
Homework due; practice sheets

Week 5		
MW	(2/18-20)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 14 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 6		
MW	(2/25-27)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 15 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 7		
MW	(3/4-6)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 16 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 8		
MW	(3/11-13)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 17 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 9		
MW	(3/25-27)	Mid-term Exam: L. 11-L. 17 <i>Oh, China!</i> Lessons 18 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 10		
MW	(4/1-3)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lessons 18 & 19 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 11		
MW	(4/8-10)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lessons 19 & 20 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 12		
MW	(4/15-17)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 20 & 21 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 13		
MW	(4/22-24)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 21 & 22 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 14		
MW	(4/29-5/1)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lessons 22 & 23 Homework due; practice sheets
Week 15		
M	(5/6)	<i>Oh, China!</i> Lesson 23 Homework due; practice sheets
Final Exam:		L. 11-L. 23

To be announced.