

Chinese Student Program Hunter College – Beginners

Course Title	Intensive Chinese for High School Students
Course Length	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 8 weeks ▪ 190 contact hours
Credit Received	6 college credits
Program Type	Non-residential immersion

Curriculum, Materials & Assessments

Linguistic Topics and Themes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greetings ▪ My Chinese teachers ▪ Our classroom ▪ My family ▪ My weekly schedule ▪ A map of my neighborhood ▪ Leisure activities ▪ Weather and weather forecasts ▪ Fast, home-cooking, and gourmet food ▪ Writing e-mails and letters in Chinese ▪ A tricycle cab runs
Cultural Topics and Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paper-cutting ▪ Chinese songs and dance ▪ Calligraphy and brush painting ▪ Martial arts ▪ Dumplings ▪ Chinese holidays and festivals ▪ Beijing, Taipei, Hong Kong, and Shanghai ▪ Karaoke ▪ Chinese games and leisure activities ▪ Chinese children books ▪ Movies: (1) <i>Uproar in Heaven</i>, (2) <i>To Live</i>, (3) <i>Shao-lin Kids</i> ▪ Lectures: (1) <i>The Tang poetry & Li Bai</i>, (2) <i>Of Revolution and Demolition: Chinese Culture 1966-1976</i>, (3) <i>From Mount Wutai to the Dunhuang Caves</i>, (4) <i>Faces of a Changing Society: China Today and Tomorrow</i> ▪ Coffee and tea in Chinese people's life ▪ Field trips to: Asia Society, China Institute, Chinatown, The Metropolitan Museum (Chinese Collection)

<p>Assessment and Evaluation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pre-program in-house placement test ▪ Pre- and post-program student self-assessment with 3 ‘I Can’ lists: communication skills, knowledge of Chinese culture and society and out-of-class effort put into learning Chinese ▪ Communicative tasks performance: weekly interviews and presentations on field trips ▪ Learning portfolio ▪ Mid-term and final exam ▪ STAMP
<p>Multimedia for Instruction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Videos: Chinese cartoons, Chinese festivals, Chinese civilization, Confucius ▪ Chao, D. <i>A new multimedia course for learning Chinese characters</i>. (two-volume set, each has a textbook and a workbook, and web materials at www.chineseliteracy.net)
<p>Multimedia Used by Students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exchanged emails with high school students in China ▪ The Web-based Chinese Literacy Project materials at http://www.chineseliteracy.net
<p>Textbooks and Print Materials</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chao, D. <i>A new multimedia course for learning Chinese characters</i>. ▪ Chao, D. <i>Mandarin Chinese: Beginning level</i>. http://www.chineseliteracy.net ▪ Newspaper reading materials