**Syllabus CHIN 237/337**

**Intermediate/Advanced Chinese Language and Culture Studies,**

**Beijing, Nanchang, and Qingdao**

**2024 Summer**

**Instructor**

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**Textbook**

* CHIN237:*《中文听说读写》Integrated Chinese, Textbook, Volume 3 & Volume 4 (Lesson 11-12) (Simplified Characters, 4th edition)*
* CHIN337: *《新的中国：现代汉语中级读本》A New China: An Intermediate Reader of Modern Chinese*, (Chou Chiping, revised edition, Princeton University Press 2011)
* Both 237 and 337 will provide supplementary materials

**Course Description**

This course provides an intensive study of the intermediate and advanced level of Chinese language and culture. It will equip students to take a full advantage of the study tour and classroom activities in Beijing, Nanchang, and Qingdao so that they will not only improve their language skills but also gain a better understanding of Chinese society and culture that they would otherwise not be able to accomplish in regular Western classrooms. (Prerequisite: CHIN 103 or equivalent/ CHIN 203 or equivalent)

**Summary of Grading**

Pre-departure Orientation & Language Pledge 1%

Attendance & Participation 9%

Tutorials 10%

Written Homework 20%

Written Quizzes & Exams 23%

Highlights Video 7%

Written Reflections 9%

Vlogs 8%

Interview Task 5%

Research Paper 8%

**Grade range**

A 94-100   A- 90-93   B+ 87-89   B 84-86   B- 80-83   C+ 77-79

C 74-76    C- 70-73   D+ 67-69   D 64-66   D- 60-63   F 59-0

**Attendance and Participation**

The instructors will use sheets to record attendance and participation in class. Excused absences require a doctor or nurse’s note. Three or more absences could result in the lowering of the student’s grade. Your attendance record will contribute to part of your participation grade. Satisfactory participation requires an excellent understanding of assigned reading materials and a good preparation for class discussion.

**Course Policy**

Late assignment will only receive half credit; no make-up exam will be given except in cases where the instructor finds the cause valid and beyond the student’s control (documentation required). No incomplete grade.Three absences of class will result in lowering your grade by one level (e.g. A < B). Any type of academic dishonesty may result in a failing grade (see WWU policy:

[http://catalog.wwu.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=463Links to an external site.](http://catalog.wwu.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=463))

**Students with Documented Disabilities**

Students who have a disability which may require an academic accommodation or the use of auxiliary aids and services in a class should contact the disability Resources office at Old Main 120 ([http://www.wwu.edu/depts/drs/index.shtmlLinks to an external site.](http://www.wwu.edu/depts/drs/index.shtml) ). If you have a letter from the DRS office, please present it to the instructor in the first week of the quarter.

**Academic Code**

Please familiarize yourself with WWU’s Integrity code as described in the Academic Honesty Policy. Students are expected to abide by the standards established by WWU (http://catalog.wwu.edu/content.php?catoid=9&navoid=1521) with regard to classwork, activities, and assignments related to their language classes. Students are responsible for informing themselves about those standards before performing any academic work.

**Religious Accommodation Policy**

Western provides reasonable accommodation for students to take holidays for reasons of faith or conscience or for organized activities conducted under the auspices of a religious denomination, church, or religious organization. Students seeking such accommodation must provide written notice to their faculty within the first two weeks of the course, citing the specific dates for which they will be absent. “Reasonable accommodation” means that faculty will coordinate with the student on scheduling examinations or other activities necessary for completion of the course or program and includes rescheduling examinations or activities or offering different times for examinations or activities.

[SB 5166: Providing religious accommodations for postsecondary studentsLinks to an external site.](https://nam03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Flawfilesext.leg.wa.gov%2Fbiennium%2F2019-20%2FPdf%2FBills%2FSenate%2520Passed%2520Legislature%2F5166-S.PL.pdf&data=02%7C01%7Cwus6%40wwu.edu%7C9792413122f2422b8d2f08d7468ebd42%7Cdc46140ce26f43efb0ae00f257f478ff%7C0%7C0%7C637055451182378543&sdata=WZV%2BHnJxUleR2rDrh226pnUOOjkxUBd6fbp0X6ztB0o%3D&reserved=0),

**Disclaimers**

The course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced to the class by the instructor may be necessary.

**Master Schedule**

**June 3 Monday**

Pre-departure orientations

**June 25 Tuesday**

Departure for Beijing

**June 26 Wednesday**

Arrive in Beijing, check in at hotel, and gain physical understanding of China and Chinese people through visiting landmarks, form study tour groups, etc.

**June 27-28 Thursday-Friday**

Beijing Culture Study Tour at the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Temple of Heaven, Peking Opera at Fenglei Theater

**June 29 Saturday**

Leaving Beijing for Nanchang, check in hotel at Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics

**June 30- July 8 Sunday-Monday**

**Jiangxi Culture Study Tour** (Leaving Nanchang for Qingdao on July 8)

**July 8- 12 Monday-Friday**

First week of class at OUC (Arriving at OUC on July 8)

Language sessions and drills + Tutorial (MTWRF)

**July 13-14 Saturday-Sunday**

Day trip to Qingdao Museum, downtown, Lao Mountains, Taiqing Temple, Traditional Yushan campus of OUC, Wusi Square, etc. and free time (subject to minor changes, depending on weather, traffic, etc.)

**July 15-16 Monday-Tuesday**

Second week of class at OUC

Language sessions and drills + Tutorial (MT)

**July 17-20 Wednesday-Saturday**

**Shandong Culture Study Tour**

**July 21 Sunday**

Free Time

**July 22-26 Monday-Friday**

Third week of class at OUC

Language sessions and drills + Tutorial (MTWRF)

Culture lectures and practice (**Tuesday July 23**)

**July 27-28 Saturday-Sunday**

Day trip to Qingdao Museum, downtown, Lao Mountains, Taiqing Temple, Traditional Yushan campus of OUC, Wusi Square, etc. and free time (subject to minor changes, depending on weather, traffic, etc.)

**July 29-Aug 2 Monday-Friday**

Fourth week of class at OUC

Language sessions and drills + Tutorial (MTWRF)

Culture lectures and practice (**Tuesday July 30**)

**Aug 3-4 Saturday and Sunday**

Day trip to Qingdao Museum, downtown, Lao Mountains, Taiqing Temple, Traditional Yushan campus of OUC, Wusi Square, etc. and free time (subject to minor changes, depending on weather, traffic, etc.)

**Aug 5-8 Monday-Thursday**

Fifth week of class at OUC

Language sessions and drills + Tutorial (MTWR)

**Aug 9 Friday**

Final Test, Graduation ceremony and farewell party

**Aug10 Saturday**

Leaving Qingdao

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| **Program duration: 47 days** |
| * International Flight: 1 day |
| * Beijing: 3 days (2 days culture study tour + 1 day arrival in Beijing, checking in hotel, and orientation) |
| * Nanchang: 10 days culture study tour |
| * Qingdao: 33 days (25 days at OUC + 8 days culture study tours) |

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| **Summary of hours: 15 credits × 30h/credit=450h**  (including 150h of instruction+300h of student work) |
| 3.5h lecture/day×24 days= 84h instruction + 168h student work  2.5h culture classes×8 days= 20h instruction +40h student work  7h study tour×20 days (2 days in Beijing + 10 days in Nanchang +8 days in Qingdao) = 140h  **Total: 452h** |