

Chinese

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In the College of Arts and Letters

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**Offered by the Department of
Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages**
Minor in Chinese.

Offered by Asian and Pacific Studies
Major in Asian studies, with emphasis in Chinese.

Offered by International Business
Major in international business, with emphasis in Chinese.

Language Requirement for the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Students electing the study of Chinese to fulfill the language requirement for the Bachelor of Arts degree in liberal arts and sciences must successfully complete Chinese 201 or the equivalent level of achievement. The usual sequence of coursework is Chinese 101, 102, and 201. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements" for additional ways to satisfy competency.

High School Equivalents

High school foreign language courses may be used for purposes of placement in college courses and may be counted toward meeting the language requirement in various majors. These high school courses will not count as college credit toward graduation.

Secondary school language courses can be used as follows:

1. The first *two years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first semester of a college level course.
2. The first *three years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first two college semesters.
3. *Four years* of high school level language count as the equivalent of three college semesters or five college quarters, thus fulfilling the language requirement.

Chinese Minor

(Minor Code: 11099) (SIMS Code: 111201)

The minor in Chinese consists of a minimum of 19 units in Chinese; at least 16 units must be taught in Chinese, of which six units must be in upper division courses. The remaining three units may be selected from additional Chinese language courses or selected from Art 263, Asian Studies 351 [or Philosophy 351], 451 [or Comparative Literature 451], 458 [or Religious Studies 458], 459, History 566, 567, either Linguistics 420 or 501, Religious Studies 345.

Courses in the minor may not be counted toward the major, but may be used to satisfy preparation for the major and General Education requirements, if applicable. A minimum of six upper division units must be completed in residence at San Diego State University.

Courses (CHIN)

Refer to *Courses and Curricula and University Policies* sections of this catalog for explanation of the course numbering system, unit or credit hour, prerequisites, and related information.

LOWER DIVISION COURSES

Native speakers of Mandarin Chinese will not receive credit for taking lower division courses except with advance approval from the department.

All lower division courses in Chinese are taught in Chinese.

No credit will be given for lower division courses taken after successfully completing any upper division Chinese course taken in Chinese.

No credit will be given for Chinese 101, 102, 201, 202 taken out of sequence or concurrently.

CHIN 100. Elementary Conversational Chinese (3)

Introductory conversational course for students with little or no previous background in Chinese. Focuses on daily tasks that one may encounter when first going to a Chinese-speaking community. Develops elementary listening and speaking skills needed for accomplishing these tasks.

CHIN 101. Elementary Chinese I (5) [GE]

Five lectures and one hour of laboratory.
Rudiments of Mandarin pronunciation; listening, speaking, reading, and writing with emphasis on communicative ability; acquisition of the most useful phrases and vocabulary items, and over 300 characters; familiarity with basic sentence structures of Mandarin; information on Chinese culture. See *Class Schedule* for appropriate section based on your background in Chinese.

CHIN 102. Elementary Chinese II (5) [GE]

Five lectures and one hour of laboratory.
Prerequisite: Chinese 101.
Continuation of Chinese 101, including acquisition of an additional 300 characters. Further development of language competence. See *Class Schedule* for appropriate section based on your background in Chinese.

CHIN 201. Intermediate Chinese I (5) [GE]

Five lectures and one hour of laboratory.
Prerequisite: Chinese 102.
Development of facility to comprehend and produce spoken Chinese. Acquisition of advanced language structures and an additional 400 characters. Emphasis on connected discourse. See *Class Schedule* for appropriate section based on your background in Chinese.

CHIN 202. Intermediate Chinese II (5) [GE]

Five lectures and one hour of laboratory.
Prerequisite: Chinese 201.
Continuation of Chinese 201. Reading of contemporary work and writing of short passages in Chinese. Acquisition of an additional 400 characters. See *Class Schedule* for appropriate section based on your background in Chinese.

CHIN 296. Experimental Topics (1-4)

Selected topics. May be repeated with new content. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree.

**UPPER DIVISION COURSES
(Intended for Undergraduates)**

All upper division courses in Chinese are taught in Chinese unless otherwise stated.

No credit will be given for Chinese 301 and 302 taken out of sequence.

CHIN 301. Advanced Chinese I (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Chinese 202 and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II.C., Humanities.

Greater facility in oral expression and writing for practical purposes; exposure to various styles of language; newspaper and media Chinese; elements of literary and classical language.

CHIN 302. Advanced Chinese II (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Chinese 301 and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II.C., Humanities.

Continuation of Chinese 301. Writing paragraphs and longer expository texts. Reading modern and classical literature.

CHIN 431. Advanced Conversational Chinese (3)

Prerequisite: Credit or concurrent registration in Chinese 302.

Conversation practice on practical, social, and cultural topics, with aid of spoken language materials such as plays and videotapes; learning conversational strategies and stylistic features.

CHIN 433. News Media Chinese (3)

Prerequisite: Credit or concurrent registration in Chinese 302.

Understanding Chinese newspapers and other non-print media materials; special structural characteristics; differences between media types and between speech and writing; reading strategies using schemas and contextual inferences; importance of world knowledge and background information.

CHIN 434. Business Chinese (3)

Prerequisite: Credit or concurrent registration in Chinese 302.

Developing ability to function in Chinese business environment; familiarity with business correspondence, telecommunication, advertising, business terminology and stylistic features, information on intercultural communication, social and cultural background.

CHIN 496. Topics in Chinese Studies (1-4)

Topics in Chinese language, literature, culture, and linguistics. May be repeated with new content. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree. Maximum credit eight units.

CHIN 499. Special Study (1-3)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Individual study. Maximum credit six units.
