Fee-based Courses Fall 2015 (September 13 - November 20)

60/90-minute class periods  One class period per week for each course

CICSU develops each of its language courses using the Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language standards developed by the Office of Chinese Language Council International and the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban). Course objectives align with the proficiency levels of the HSK (Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi) or Chinese Proficiency Test.

**Language / Culture – Adult**

Fee for all 10-week language classes: $80  Taiji & Chinese Song classes: $60
Recommended ages: 18 +

**Conversation ---Traveling and Daily Life**

Tuesday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Traveling and Daily Life is an introduction to common phrases of greeting and departure, expressions of gratitude, and other simple phrases to serve as a primer for anyone who is beginning to learn Chinese or would like to know some useful phrases for travel. This course focuses on the speaking and comprehension of basic Chinese. The material for this course is based on the Experiencing Chinese 100 Series. (No prerequisite)

**Beginning Chinese I**

Monday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Beginning Chinese I is based on the Experiencing Chinese curriculum. It focuses on Chinese language skills that are closely related to everyday life such as greetings, expressions of basic needs, instructions with a few words, and making simple requests or asking for help. It also teaches reading of basic characters. (No prerequisite)

**Beginning Chinese II**

Monday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Beginning Chinese II continues the lessons and materials from Beginning Chinese I focusing on improving students listening, reading and speaking skills. (Prerequisite: previous Chinese lessons or permission from CICSU Management)

**Contemporary China**

Sunday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Contemporary China is an exploration of the contemporary social, economic, and cultural transformations of China in a domestic, regional, and global context. The course will examine the challenges and prospects of Chinese society in the 21st century.

**Introduction to Chinese Calligraphy & Painting**

Wednesday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
This course is designed to teach how to create Chinese Calligraphy and Chinese painting. Students will learn Chinese characters through the art of painting, as well as the evolution of writing styles, development and rules of technique, history of calligraphy, etc. In this course, basic knowledge of guóhuà, including its history, evolution, and development will be incorporated. Many hands-on activities and practice opportunities will also be provided in class. Students will be able to create their individual calligraphy and painting works by the end of the course.
**Business Chinese**
Tuesday 6:30 – 8:00 pm
In this course, you will learn commonly used business Chinese phrases and expressions. You will also gain more cultural awareness. With the proper phrases and expressions and cultural understanding, you will impress your Chinese partners, which will help make your business transaction run more smoothly.

**Taiji**
Thursday 8:00 – 9:00 am or Sunday 8:00 – 9:00 am
Learn how to enhance your overall health through increased flexibility, relaxation, and stress control. Practice fundamental Taiji movements. 
*Come as often or as little as you like for the same price.*

**Learn Chinese through Chinese Songs**
Thursday 6:30 – 7:30 pm
This course will provide learners opportunities to learn Chinese culture, Chinese vocabulary, expressions, pronunciation etc. through singing Chinese songs, such as *Jasmine, The moon represents my heart.* Some basic voice skills are also introduced.

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**Language / Culture – Children**
Fee for all 10-week language classes: $80  Chinese Song classes: $60
Recommended ages: under 18

**Chinese Culture Alive**
Sunday 11:30-1:00 pm
This is an introductory Chinese course. This course will provide children opportunities to have fun while learning Chinese language and culture through various kinds of activities, such as making zodiac hats, coloring Peking opera masks, writing calligraphy, singing songs, weaving knots, paper cutting, and more.
Children will be guided through a variety of activities, crafts, and songs that will introduce animals, colors, and other basic Chinese phrases through culture and context. Using “magic paper” students will have unlimited opportunities to practice Chinese calligraphy while learning to recognize characters. (No prerequisite, all learners welcome.)

**Beginning Chinese for Children**
Sunday 11:30-1:00 pm
Using the Experience Chinese textbook series, Beginning Chinese I for Children teaches Chinese in easy steps to establish a solid foundation of vocabulary and knowledge of Chinese communication skills. The course includes activities, songs, and games to guide students through learning of eight everyday topics including greetings and farewells, names and self-introduction, praise and thanks, numbers, fruits and requests, animals and preference, body parts and appearance, and family. (No prerequisite)

**Intermediate Chinese for Children**
Sunday 2:30-4:00 pm
Intermediate Chinese for Children will teach geography, science, weather, and recreation vocabulary. Students will begin to learn selected characters as well as practice conversations in Chinese to reinforce their listening and speaking skills. This is a continuation course for students who previously studied Beginning Chinese.

**Advanced Chinese for Children**
Sunday  9:30-11:00 am
Advanced Chinese I for Children helps students improve their Chinese skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing at a higher level through advanced activities and conversations. This is a continuation course for student who previously studied Advanced Chinese.

Learn Chinese through Chinese Children’s Songs
Sunday  1:15 - 2:15 pm
This course will provide kids opportunities to have fun and learn Chinese culture, Chinese vocabulary, expressions, pronunciation etc. through singing Chinese children songs, such as *Where is spring*, *Two tigers*. Some basic voice skills are also introduced.

Private and Small Group Classes
CICSU recognizes that individual schedules are complicated and many potential students would like to take classes but cannot meet at our offered class times. Therefore, CICSU will begin offering private and small group lessons to meet the specific needs of you as an individual. Please contact Xuemei Luo at 970-232-5398 or xuemei.luo@colostate.edu to set up a consultation.

If you are unsure what course to enroll in, please contact Mrs. Xuemei Luo xuemei.luo@colostate.edu to schedule a time to take the CICSU Placement Exam prior to course registration.

CICSU courses are non-credit courses.

For information about courses for credit, contact Chuchang Chiu in the Colorado State University Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

970-491-5174 cchiu@mail.colostate.edu http://languages.colostate.edu/

FREE Activities

Recommended ages: 15 + or attendance with parent

**Chinese Corner**

Thursdays  4:00-8:00 pm

Chinese Corner is for Chinese-speakers of all levels (learners, native, and anything in between), to get together and practice Chinese or talk about China in general. We meet to create a friendly, supportive atmosphere where we can practice speaking, share tips, and generally have a good time. Light refreshments will be served.