

# Syllabus

**CHINESE 301-01**

**Fall 2007**

**Time:** M, W, F: 3:00-3:50 am

**Place:** Palmer 206

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## Course Materials

We will continue to use Integrated Chinese Level II. **You are required to listen to audio CDs regularly.** There is also a workbook audio CD on the website. You must access it so as to do the Listening part of homework. Furthermore, a variety of short stories, short jokes, and famous songs in Chinese which are relevant to the text content will be used.

## Course Objectives

In addition to the same objectives as those in the first two years, we will continue to put more emphasis on listening and speaking. We will have speech and conversation time in class to give students chances to express their own thoughts and communicate with each other in Chinese. To improve the ability of using Chinese, we will play some small games based on the characters and text contents in class. In this way, we can develop not only students' aural-oral skills, but also reading, understanding and writing skills.

## Grading

Attendance and participation: 15%

Homework: 20%

Tests: 40%

Final examination: 15%

Oral exam: 10%

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Total: 100%

**Note:** We have a test right after we finish each lesson. And basically we have a small vocabulary quiz every class.

**Attendance:** Since attendance is crucial both to learning and participating, I will take attendance and grade participation every class. However, I realize that you may occasionally have legitimate reasons to be absent from class. More than three unexcused absences and more than five absences in total will lower your final grade by a minor letter grade (e.g., from A- to B+). Additional absences will lower your participation grade. Repeated tardiness will also begin to count as additional absences. A word of caution: If you miss more than 30% of the semester's class sessions, you will fail this course. If you are ill or have another legitimate excuse to miss class (i.e., conference participation, family emergencies – documentation may be required), you must notify me either via telephone or via email.

**Remember:** If you have difficulties of any kind, please do not hesitate to ask the instructor for help.

**Note:** Learning a language well always requires an environment of this language. Students will be encouraged to speak Chinese as much as possible in the class.

### **Activity:**

**Chinese Night:** This activity is designed to give you a chance to taste some interesting Chinese cultural aspects and give you a space to speak Chinese with native Chinese speakers and your classmates. We will have topic discussions, listen to Chinese songs, watch Chinese videos and have culture panel etc. The time is every Tuesday 6:10-7:00pm (9/11-11/13). The place is 410 Rhodes Tower. The attendance of this activity will be taken as a part of participation grade.

### **Final Exams:**

The final exams will be comprehensive. Here is the schedule:

**Written Exam:** (including listening) **12/7** Friday 8:30 – 10:00 pm  
**Oral Exam:** **12/7** Friday 10:00 – 11:00 pm