



## Hunan University (HNU) CHIN 101: Beginner Chinese Language Studies

**Credit Hours:** 54

**Credit:** 6

**Instructor:** To be announced

### Course Description

This course is an elementary comprehensive course designed for students in higher education. The content in this course integrates modern essays and ancient stories with strong cultural essence to demonstrate modern Chinese social life in an all-round way. Students will be guided to explore different language acquaintance skills so as to enhance their comprehensive abilities. This course aims to develop and improve students' Chinese language abilities, interpersonal abilities, integrated applied abilities and their interests in learning Chinese.

### Textbook Information

**Textbook:** *Developing Chinese 2<sup>nd</sup> Elementary Comprehensive Course*

**Author:** Xu Guimei

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**Publisher:** Beijing University and Culture Universities Press

### Grading System

Part	Percentage
Attendance	15%
Quiz 1	10%
Quiz 2	10%
Quiz 3	10%
Midterm	20%
Final Exam	35%



### **Grade Distribution**

<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Grade Points</b>
High Distinction	85-100
Distinction	75-84
Credit	65-74
Pass	50-64
Fail	0-49

### **Homework**

Your success in this course is usually directly related to the effort you put into the homework assignments / quizzes.

### **Course Schedule**

The course has 24 class sessions in total. All sessions are 2 hours and 15 minutes in length.

Note: the course outline and required readings are subject to change.

Class 1:

1. Do as the Roman Do

Class 2:

2. My Son Is Coming Home

Class 3:

3. The Girl Selling Chili Peppers

Quiz 1

Class 4:

4. I Have a Date with China

Class 5:

5. Why Do I Stand by Myself While Eating

Class 6:

6. Everything Is Fine Here

Class 7:

7. I Want to Go to Egypt



Class 8:

8. An Old Memory

Class 9:

9. Education of Love

Class 10:

10. Being Happy Is Actually Quite Easy

Class 11:

11. The Ant in the Book

Class 12:

12. It's Pillow, Not Needle Head

Class 13:

13. A Letter from China Has Changed My Life

Midterm Exam

Class 14:

14. Taking a Taxi for the First Time

Class 15:

15. The Carrier Pigeon Files Back

Class 16:

16. Set the Watch Forward by Three Minutes

Quiz 2

Class 17:

17. A Date

Class 18:

18. Listen to the Movie

Class 19:

18. Pen Pals

Class 20:

20. The Highest Human Dignity

Class 21:

21. Yu Gong- A Fable Figure, Removed the Mountain



Class 22:  
22. Cards  
Quiz 3

Class 23:  
Overall Review

Class 24:  
Final Exam

### **Attending Policy**

Regular and prompt attendance is required. Under ordinary circumstances, you may miss two times without penalty. Each absence over this number will lower your course grade by a third of a letter and missing more than five classes may lead to a failing grade in the course. Arriving late and/or leaving before the end of the class period are equivalent to absences.

### **Policy on “Late Withdrawals”**

In accordance with university policy, appeals for late withdrawal will be approved ONLY in case of medical emergency and similar crises.

### **Academic Honesty**

Hunan University expects all students to do their own work. Instructors will fail assignments that show evidence of plagiarism or other forms of cheating, and will also report the student's name to the University administration. A student reported to the University for cheating is placed on disciplinary probation; a student reported twice is suspended or expelled.

### **Final Assignment**

When a student cheats in a major or final assignment such as a comprehensive examination or presents plagiarized material in a major or final assignment, that student shall receive an F in that particular subject. Student cheats on more than two exams shall be dismissed from HNU.

### **General Expectations**

Students are expected to:

- Attend all classes and be responsible for all materials covered in class and otherwise assigned;
- Complete the day's required reading and assignments before class;
- Review the previous day's notes before class and make notes about questions you have about the previous class or the day's reading;
- Participate in class discussions and complete required written work on time;



- Refrain from texting, phoning or engaging in computer activities unrelated to class during the class period;
- While class participation is welcome, even required, you are expected to refrain from private conversations during the class period.

### **Special Needs or Assistance**

Please contact the Administrative Office immediately if you have a learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material. Our goal is to help you learn, not to penalize you for issues which mask your learning.