



NTU CLD Program Syllabus

* This is a tentative syllabus, which may be adjusted according to students' level and ability. The final syllabus will be offered by the teachers of each class.

Course Title:

Advanced High Chinese (LADE 505)

Course Information:

1. Contact hours: Spring and fall with 12 weeks, 5 days/week, 1 contact hour/day.
Summer with 10 weeks, 2 days/week, 3 contact hours/day.
2. Class size: limited to 6 to 8 students
3. Suggested credits: 60 contact hours (spring, summer and fall) are equal to 4 credits.

Course Description:

1. This course is for those whose total learning hours are more than 750 hours.
2. The course is designed to offer profound trainings on listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills, and enable students of normative language. Students will be able to fluently and concisely express themselves in paragraphs with normative language, and have mature language performance both in language forms and functions, in both oral presentation or written articles. Aside from cultivating students' ability of comprehension and reading speed, we emphasize more on the accuracy and fluency of the use of vocabulary and sentence patterns in order to have equally outstanding performance in their language input and output.
3. Students start to learn a lot of 4-word idioms. They can make hypothetical and argumentative discussions on abstract and complicated topics. They can also summarize and make a conclusion after collecting different information, as well as make different opinions from different aspects.
4. Students can fluently discuss on unfamiliar, abstract and complicated topics, make a well-structured speech and instruction. When running into difficulties, they know how to fix it or re-organize their expressions. They can also understand metaphors or implications in articles and videos.
5. For immersive learning, this course will be conducted primarily in Chinese.



Course Materials:

《A Course in Contemporary Chinese V, VI》(Linking Books) textbook, 《The Roads Taken: Readings in Chinese Newspaper 2》(Linking Books) or other materials such as news, journals, etc.

Course Topics 1:

《A Course in Contemporary Chinese V》

1. Free speech
2. GM foods
3. Plastic surgery
4. Traditional and modern
5. Surrogate motherhood
6. Capital punishment
7. Taxes on the rich and social justice
8. Immigration issue
9. Nuclear power
10. Same sex marriage



Course Topics 2:

《The Roads Taken: Readings in Chinese Newspaper II》

1. Natural Disaster
2. To Recruit Talents
3. Stressful Work and Genetic Diseases
4. Terrorist Attack
5. On-line Banking Era
6. Trade War
7. Performing Arts
8. Cross-strait Relationship

Learning Objectives:

This course is designed to assist students in acquiring or enhancing the following skills:

1. To read and write traditional characters
2. To express opinions in paragraphs with concise normative language in well-structured way, to understand idioms and accurately express themselves with it



3. To make hypothetical and argumentative discussions on abstract, complicated and unfamiliar topics, to debate with others with pros and cons
4. To understand long and difficult articles from different fields and get the meaning behind the words

Evaluation:

1. Attendance and Class Participation: 20%
 - If students are 20-minute late or leave the class 20 minutes earlier than scheduled, they are considered absent for 1 hour.
 2. Homework/Written Assignment: 20%
 - Homework should be submitted on time. Late submission will result in deduction or 0-score on the homework grade.
 3. Quizzes: 20%
 - Quizzes include dictations and exams for each lesson/chapter.
 4. Midterm Exam: 20%
 - Midterm exam includes listening test and oral test.
 5. Final Exam: 20%
 - Final exam includes listening test and oral test.
- * The evaluation standards may be adjusted.

Class Regulation:

1. Students are expected to spend more than 2 hours on previewing, reviewing and doing homework to catch up the class and improve learning efficiency
2. Please respect local cultures and treat fellow students, faculty and CLD staff respectfully. Please follow both CLD and faculty's regulations.
3. Please email your teachers in advance to ask for absence.
4. In class:
 - Attend the class on time. Don't be late, and don't leave the class earlier than scheduled. If you are 20-minute late or leave the class 20 minutes earlier than scheduled, you are considered absent for 1 hour.
 - No smoking, wine-drinking, and eating
 - No cellphone and digital device unless it is required for class
 - Speak Chinese only
 - Keep focused in class, no small talks in class
 - Bring your textbook and workbook



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- Submit homework on time
- Respect classmates and teachers. The teacher has rights to interrupt a student's speech if he/she digresses or a dispute occurs between students or between students and the teacher.
- No discriminations on religion, nationality, race, sex, gender, etc. Any speeches and acts of discrimination will be stopped immediately and the student who makes improper speech/acts may be asked to leave the class if needed.

* The regulations may be adjusted.

