CHINESE (CHIN)

CHIN 001 First Year Spoken Chinese I
This course is designed for students who have little or no previous exposure to Chinese. The main objective of the course is to help students develop their listening and speaking skills. The emphasis is on correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures. By the end of the semester, students will be able to manage many situations that have immediate concern to them, such as relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preferences and feelings, ordering meals, purchasing goods, asking for directions. Chinese characters will not be taught.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: See LPS Course Guide. ** This course fulfills LPS language requirement only. It does not fulfill the language requirement for other colleges.

CHIN 002 First Year Spoken Chinese II
A continuation of CHIN001. This course is to help students develop their listening and speaking skills. The emphasis is on correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures. By the end of the semester, students will be able to manage many situations that have immediate concern to them, such as relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preferences and feelings, ordering meals, purchasing goods, asking for directions. To achieve this goal, the class is to be conducted in Chinese as much as possible. Chinese characters will also be introduced, but will not be the focus of the class.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN001 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: See LPS Course Guide. ** This course fulfills LPS language requirement only. It does not fulfill the language requirement for other colleges.

CHIN 003 Second Year Spoken Chinese I
This course is designed for students who have completed one year of college level Chinese classes or equivalent. The main objective of the course is to improve students' conversational ability in Chinese. By the end of the second semester, students will reach the survival level, namely, they can accomplish the basic day to day tasks encountered by visitors as well as the local people. These tasks include relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preference, feeling and opinion, ordering a meal, purchasing goods, asking directions, making travel plans, visiting a doctor, attending a social function and so forth. Short Chinese movies or television shows will be integrated into the course curriculum. Chinese characters will not be taught.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN002 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: See LPS Course Guide. ** This course fulfills LPS language requirement only. It does not fulfill the language requirement for other colleges.

CHIN 004 2nd Year Spoken Chinese II
This course is the continuation of CHIN003. The primary goal of the course is to improve students' conversational ability in Chinese. By the end of the semester, students will reach the survival level, namely, they can accomplish the basic day to day tasks encountered by visitors as well as the local people. These tasks include relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preference, feeling and opinion, ordering a meal, purchasing goods, asking directions, making travel plans, visiting a doctor, attending a social function and so forth. Short Chinese movies or television shows will be integrated into the course curriculum. Chinese character will not be taught.
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN003 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: See LPS Course Guide. ** This course fulfills LPS language requirement only. It does not fulfill the language requirement for other colleges.

CHIN 011 Beginning Modern Chinese I
Along with CHIN012, CHIN111 and CHIN112, this is the first course of a four-semester sequence. By completing all four semesters, students fulfill the College language requirement. The sequence starts each fall. Students cannot begin their study in the spring. This course is designed primarily for students who have little or no prior exposure to Chinese. The objective of the course is to help students build a solid foundation of the four basic skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing in an interactive and communicative learning environment. The emphasis is on correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures. By the end of the second semester, students will be able to manage many situations that have immediate concern to them, such as relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preferences and feelings, ordering meals, purchasing goods and asking for directions. This course is designed primarily for students who have little or no prior exposure to Chinese. The objective of the course is to help students build a solid foundation of the four basic skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing in an interactive and communicative learning environment. The emphasis is on correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures. By the end of the second semester, students will be able to manage many situations that have immediate concern to them, such as relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preferences and feelings, ordering meals, purchasing goods and asking for directions. In order to achieve these goals, students are expected to thoroughly preview and review the materials according to the weekly lesson plan (on course website) prior to attending class. Regular attendance is mandatory and strictly monitored.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
CHIN 012 Beginning Modern Chinese II
This course is the continuation of CHIN 011. The objective of the course is to help students build a solid foundation of the four basic skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing in an interactive and communicative learning environment. The emphasis is on correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures. By the end of the second semester, students will be able to manage many situations that have immediate concern to them, such as relating one's personal life and experiences, expressing preferences and feelings, ordering meals, purchasing goods and asking for directions.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN011 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Along with CHIN011, CHIN111 and CHIN112, this is the second course in a four-semester sequence. By completing all four semesters, students fulfill the College language requirement.

CHIN 021 Intensive Beginning Modern Chinese I & II
This is a two-semester course covering the same material as CHIN011, CHIN012, CHIN111 and CHIN112. The main objective of the course is to help students build a solid foundation of the four basic skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing Chinese. By the end of this course and CHIN022, students should achieve the following goals: 1) pronounce all the sounds in Mandarin Chinese accurately and comfortably with a good command of the 4 tones; 2) carry out basic conversations in daily activities; 3) recognize and reproduce approximately 600-650 characters; and 4) read edited simple stories and write short notes or letters. Grammatical and cultural related issues are discussed during lecture hours. Oral communication tasks are given every week.
For BA Students: Language Course
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
2 Course Units
Notes: Designed for students who have had limited prior exposure to some form of Chinese (Mandarin or other dialects), but inadequate to advance to the intermediate level.

CHIN 022 Intensive Beginning Modern Chinese III & IV
Designed for students who have had limited prior exposure to some form of Chinese (Mandarin or other dialects), but inadequate to advance to the intermediate level. The language practiced in Chin 022 will be more formal and written style than that of Chin 021, including more authentic materials reading, listening and viewing.
For BA Students: Last Language Course
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN021 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
2 Course Units
Notes: Designed for students who have had limited prior exposure to some form of Chinese (Mandarin or other dialects), but inadequate to advance to the intermediate level.

CHIN 031 Beginning Reading and Writing in Chinese I (for Fluent Speakers)
The course is designed for students who can speak Chinese but cannot read and write in Chinese characters. The major purpose of this course is to help students develop the ability to use written Mandarin Chinese in linguistically and socially appropriate ways. The literacy goal is to master 350 to 1000 Chinese characters for the beginning phase (CHIN 031); to reach an intermediate-low level of ACTFL literacy proficiency. The key teaching approach is to holistically read a prodigious amount of materials. Students’ reading abilities will be developed through reading short stories under instructions, and eventually through reading long stories and news independently.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: Restricted to students who can speak Chinese but cannot read or write the language.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 032 Beginning Reading and Writing in Chinese II (for Fluent Speakers)
CHIN 032 is designed for students who can speak Chinese and have reading ability of about 1000 Chinese characters. This Chinese reading and writing course is specifically designed for students at the ACTFL intermediate-low reading and writing level. The literacy goal is to master 1000 to 2000 Chinese words and reach the intermediate-mid proficiency level. Reading material covers topics that are meaningful to students not only to increase engagement and confidence in their Chinese reading skills, but also foster students’ apprehension and understanding of the Chinese deep culture.
For BA Students: Last Language Course
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 031 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 041 Beginning Cantonese I
Beginning Cantonese is a preliminary course for spoken Cantonese. The course provides fundamental aspects of the dialect as experienced in daily life situations and will enable students to communicate in Cantonese for daily life needs, such as making phone calls, making purchases, getting around by various means of transportation, seeing a doctor, being a guest or a host at dinner, talking about the weather, talking about sports and entertainment, etc. The course will be completed in two semesters.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center. This course does not fulfill the College of Arts Sciences’ language requirement.
CHIN 042 Beginning Cantonese II
Beginning Cantonese is a preliminary course for spoken Cantonese. The course provides fundamental aspects of the dialect as experienced in daily life situations and will enable students to communicate in Cantonese for daily life needs, such as making phone calls, making purchases, getting around by various means of transportation, seeing a doctor, being a guest or a host at dinner, talking about the weather, talking about sports and entertainment, etc. The course will be completed in two semesters.
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN041 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center. This course does not count toward the language requirement in the College of Arts and Sciences.

CHIN 051 Beginning Taiwanese I
Beginning Taiwanese CHIN 051 is designed to help students learn enough daily use Taiwanese to enable students to handle the needs when one travels to Taiwan. At this beginning level, learners will learn to greet others, introduce yourself and handle basic social situations. You will also require the understanding of oral language typically heard in location such as grocery store, train station, and bus stop, restaurant and night market.
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center

CHIN 052 Beginning Taiwanese II
Beginning Taiwanese II is a continuation of CHIN 051. This course will cover language training as well as cultural topics including history and political aspects of Taiwan. Conversation topics range from daily conversation to professional and formal situations.
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 051 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 081 Beginning Business Chinese I
The course is designed for juniors and seniors, and Penn working professionals who have no prior exposure to Chinese, and are interested in learning basic Chinese language and culture for the preparation of a business trip to China. The objective of this course is to build an understanding of foundation of basic Chinese in the business context, with a main focus on speaking and listening and minimal reading. Upon completion, students are expected to be able to converse and interact with people in a variety of traveling settings and in company visits. Topics in the course units include meeting people, talking about family, introducing companies, making inquiries and appointments, visiting company, introducing products, initiating dining invitations and practicing dining etiquette.
For BA Students: Language Course
Course not offered every year
Prerequisites: This course does not fulfill the language requirement in the College. First meeting mandatory.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 082 Online Beg Bus Chin II
As a continuation of CHIN081, this course is to help students develop their listening and speaking skills as well as understanding of Chinese social development since 1976. The emphasis is on current China business development, correct pronunciation, accurate tones and mastery of basic grammatical structures.
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisite: CHIN 081
Activity: Lecture
0 Course Units

CHIN 111 Beginning Chinese III (Non-Intensive)
Along with CHIN011, CHIN012 and CHIN112, this is the third course in a four-semester sequence. The objective of the course is to continue building a solid foundation of the four basic skills–listening, speaking, reading and writing. By the end of this course, students should achieve the following goals: 1) pronounce all the sounds in Mandarin accurately and comfortably with a good command of the four tones; 2) carry out simple dialogues of familiar topics; 3) recognize and reproduce approximately 450-500 characters; and 4) read short textbook stories and write simple notes. In order to develop students’ listening and speaking ability, oral communication tasks are given on each lesson.
For BA Students: Language Course
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: Completion of CHIN012 or the equivalent or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 112 Beginning Chinese IV
Along with CHIN011, CHIN012 and CHIN111, this is the fourth course in a four-semester sequence. The objective of the course is to continue building a solid foundation of the four basic skills–listening, speaking, reading and writing. By the end of this course, students should achieve the following goals: 1) pronounce all the sounds in Mandarin accurately and comfortably with a good command of the four tones; 2) carry out simple dialogues of familiar topics; 3) recognize and reproduce approximately 600-650 characters; and 4) read short textbook stories and write simple notes. In order to develop students’ listening and speaking ability, oral communication tasks are given every other week.
For BA Students: Last Language Course
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisite: CHIN 111
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 141 Intermediate Cantonese I
Intermediate Cantonese is a course for students who are able to communicate in the dialect in basic survival situations. Through this course the students will acquire a better understanding of Cantonese and its related culture, and can confidently cope with a wide range of situations. Classes will be conducted through Cantonese textbooks, discussions of various topics, and composition and presentation of students’ own dialogues so that in time they may express more complex ideas and feelings. The course will be completed in two semesters.
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN042 or equivalent or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center.
CHIN 142 Intermediate Cantonese II
Intermediate Cantonese is a course for students who are able to communicate in the dialect in basic survival situations. Through this course the students will acquire a better understanding of Cantonese and its related culture, and can confidently cope with a wide range of situations. Classes will be conducted through Cantonese textbooks, discussions of various topics, and composition and presentation of students’ own dialogues so that in time they may express more complex ideas and feelings. The course will be completed in two semesters.
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisite: CHIN 141
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center.

CHIN 151 Intermediate Taiwanese I
In Chin 151, the students will be able to communicate with ease and confidence when dealing with everyday routine tasks. Students will also gain skills to process and seek information in Taiwanese. Conversation topics include New Year, folk songs, and Tang poetry. Authentic materials are used for enhancing reading, listening, and speaking practices.
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisite: CHIN052
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through Penn Language Center.

CHIN 152 Intermediate Taiwanese II
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisite: CHIN 151
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center.

CHIN 211 Intermediate Modern Chinese I
This is an intermediate language course. It aims to develop students’ overall linguistic skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Chinese. The specially designed textbook gives introduction to various topics on Chinese culture. Students can expect to gain knowledge about China while they are learning the language. By completion of the course, students are expected to be able to master 1200 most frequently used characters in common reading materials, and to communicate with Chinese on
Taught by: Lee
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN112 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Restricted to fluent speakers who have only limited reading and writing abilities.

CHIN 212 Intermediate Modern Chinese II
This course is the continuation of CHIN 211. It aims to further develop students' overall language skills. The textbook will introduce various topics related to Chinese culture, society, economy, people and their everyday life as well as China's development since Deng Xiaoping's reform and opening-up policies in 1978. In class, current issues in China will be integrated to provide a new perspective for discussion. The emphasis is not only to consolidate students’ foundation, but also enhance their understanding and distinguish different levels of language. Over the semester, students will have many opportunities to express and share their opinions on various topics related to China via communicative activities, presentations, and written assignments.
Taught by: Lee
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 211 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 231 Intermediate Reading and Writing Chinese I (for Fluent Speakers)
CHIN 231 is an intermediate reading and writing course designed for students at the ACTFL intermediate-mid reading and writing proficiency. The goal of this course is to reach the intermediate-high level of proficiency. This course concentrates on writing of multi-paragraph essays through the use of conventional rhetorical modes and standard grammatical structures. Students will be given ample time to think and to discuss (the crucial "brainstorming" phase) before writing. The course stresses content, culture and comparison and draws its content from assigned readings and evidence-based argument from texts and other stimuli such as Internet, newspapers and films.
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN 032 or the equivalent or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Restricted to fluent speakers who have only limited reading and writing abilities.

CHIN 232 Intermediate Reading and Writing Chinese II (for Fluent Speakers)
This is an intermediate language class presuming basic fluency in speaking and listening and focusing on reading and writing abilities. By the end of the semester students are expected to have mastered the 1200 most commonly used characters and to have the ability to read basic Chinese texts. Students will be prepared for Advanced Modern Chinese, Media Chinese and Business Chinese.
Taught by: Wu
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 231 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
CHIN 311 Advanced Modern Chinese I
Students learn to work on materials which were written or produced for native speakers, instead of the classroom materials that were written for the non-native speakers. The reading materials include a larger vocabulary with more idioms. Students will also learn how to understand and use certain oral expressions in conversation. They will learn ways to narrate, to describe, and to comment in native Chinese ways. Reading and audio materials are provided and discussed in the classes. Writing and oral presentations in Chinese are required in classroom under instruction. Students will be encouraged to practice oral communication with each other.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN 212 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 312 Advanced Modern Chinese II
Chin 312 is a continuation of Chinese 311, training speaking, listening, reading and writing skills so to reach the advanced-low or advanced-mid level of proficiency. Major topics of the course include Chinese food culture, Chinese architecture, Confucianism in modern China, "educated youth", democracy, and cross-Taiwan Strait relations.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Jiao
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 311 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 331 CHINESE SHORT STORIES
Designed for students with advanced level Chinese language training but who need some further refinements on pronunciation, grammar, and vocabulary usage, this course stresses oral discussion, composition, and accuracy of language performance. By reading texts written by contemporary writers, students will also gain knowledge of China from an analytical and comparative perspective.
Taught by: Chiang
One-term course offered either term
Prerequisites: CHIN 312 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 361 Media Chinese
Chin 361 will help students improving their language skills, and enlarge vocabulary through reading online news on Chinese internet. The students will learn formal vocabulary and enhance their grammatical accuracy in the semester. Students are encouraged to explore Chinese government and company websites and Baidu Baike, so to conduct their own online search for both professional and academic purposes. Linguistic features in news headlines, accuracy of online translation tools, media censorship, social media usage will also be discussed in this class. The course goal is to help students gain Chinese media literacy by reading, browsing, and viewing online materials.
Taught by: Chiang
One-term course offered either term
Prerequisites: Completion of CHIN 232, 311, 331 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 371 Advanced Spoken Mandarin I
This course is designed for students who have completed at least the intermediate level Chinese language course, or have studied the language for at least three years. The objective of this course is to consolidate the knowledge and skills students have acquired from their previous Mandarin Chinese classes and to enhance their oral expressive skills. By the end of the semester, students are expected to be able to carry on a conversation with a native Mandarin speaker on various common topics, including the current issues in China about its education, society, politics, culture, and history. Students will also learn how to gather information necessary for conducting oral presentations and speeches.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Lee
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN 212 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 372 Advanced Spoken Mandarin II
Following the format of Advanced Spoken Mandarin I with more discussions on current issues in both China and the US, including topics ranging from race, religion, gender issues to internet, cinema and pop cultures. The objective of this course is to consolidate the knowledge and skills students have acquired from their previous Mandarin Chinese classes and to enhance their oral expressive skills. By the end of the semester, students are expected to be able to carry on a conversation with a native Mandarin speaker on various common topics, and to gather information necessary for conducting oral presentations and speeches.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Lee
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 212 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 381 Business Chinese I
This course is aimed to enhance students’ language skills in a business context and to promote their understanding about business environment and culture in contemporary China. The text is developed from real business cases from real multinational companies that have successfully embarked on the Chinese market. The forms of classes include lectures, drills on vocabulary and sentence patterns, and discussions. Class will be conducted in Chinese. In addition to the course textbook, students will learn to read business news in Chinese selected from Wall Street Journal.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Wang
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN 232, 312 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
CHIN 382 Business Chinese II
This course is the second half of a one-year course for business oriented subjects. This course will provide an overview of China's changing macro-environment, while real business cases let us look into individual Chinese companies and their development in the new millennium. By the end of the semester, students are expected to 1) enhance the cultural awareness of contemporary China and the Chinese business world; 2) gain vocabulary and fluency in Chinese to function more confidently and comfortably in real business settings; 3) access business news and information in Chinese; 4) give business presentation in Chinese.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Wang
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 312, 361, 381 or permission from the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 411 Readings in Modern Chinese: Literature
This course is designed for students who have completed three years of college level Mandarin classes or equivalent. This course may be used to fulfill language or elective requirement for Chinese major or minor. The objectives of the course are 1) to help students gain an in-depth, multi-faceted and critical understanding of Chinese people, Chinese society and Chinese culture; 2) to facilitate students' acquisition of formal or written language; and 3) to develop students' analytical and critical thinking skills. These objectives are achieved primarily through 1) close reading and discussion of original literary texts by 20th-century Chinese writers; and 2) regular writing exercises. Students will also view several Chinese films that are related to the topics of the reading text. The class is to be conducted exclusively in Chinese.
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN 331, 361, 382 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 412 Readings Modern Chinese II: Literature
The main difference between this course and CHIN411 is the reading materials and topics. This course is designed for students who have completed a minimum of three years of college level Mandarin classes or equivalent. This course may be used to fulfill language or elective requirement for Chinese major or minor. The objectives of the course are 1) to help students gain an in-depth, multi-faceted and critical understanding of Chinese people, Chinese society and Chinese culture; 2) to facilitate students' acquisition of formal or written language; and 3) to develop students' analytical and critical thinking skills. These objectives are achieved primarily through 1) close reading and discussion of original literary texts by 20th-century Chinese writers; and 2) regular writing exercises. Students will also view several Chinese films that are related to the topics of the reading text. The class is to be conducted exclusively in Chinese.
Taught by: Dietrich
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 331, 361, 382 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 415 Readings Modern Chinese Documents
The main purpose of this content-based course is to promote advanced-level language proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Through the use of modern Chinese documents, the secondary purpose of this course is to facilitate your understanding of the changes of Chinese society in the 20th century. Topics will include the Constitution of China, China’s legal system, speeches by Mao Zedong, Deng Xiaoping, Sun Yet-sen and Qiu Jin.
Taught by: Chiang
Course not offered every year
Prerequisites: CHIN 361, 381 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 481 Advanced Business Chinese I
This content-based course provides students with the conceptual framework to understand issues China has been facing since its economic reform in 1978. Topics include WTO principles, the change of China’s state-owned enterprises, China's economy in Mao's period, and the pros and cons of globalization. Students will be trained in reading financial articles, discussing international trades, conducting online research and giving business presentations. At the end of the course, students will become more sophisticated in their understanding of China's economic development and in using Chinese business terminology at professional settings. The course assumes basic background in business and advanced level proficiency in Chinese language. The course is NOT open to freshman with no undergraduate business course.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Chiang
Course usually offered in fall term
Prerequisites: CHIN382 or equivalent or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: May be offered through Penn Language Center.

CHIN 482 Advanced Business Chinese II
This is a continuation of Chin 481. Following the format of Chin 481, Advanced Business Chinese I, this course covers topics on Eastern and Western management styles, the global financial market, China's financial market reforms, and mergers and acquisitions in China. At the end of the semester, students will submit a business proposal for the final project.
For BA Students: Advanced Language Course
Taught by: Chiang
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 481 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 491 First Year Classical Chinese I
Introduction to the classical written language, beginning with Shadick, First Course in Literary Chinese. Students with a background in Japanese, Korean, Cantonese, Taiwanese, and other East Asian languages are welcome; it is not necessary to know Mandarin. The course begins from scratch, and swiftly but rigorously develops the ability to read a wide variety of classical and semi-classical styles. Original texts from the 6th century BC to the 20th century AD are studied. This course is taught in English and there are no prerequisites.
Taught by: Mair
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
CHIN 492 1st Year Classical Chin II
Continuation of CHIN491 EALC221/621, which is the only prerequisite for this course. Upon completion of Shadick, readings in a wide selection of texts with Chinese commentaries may be taken up. These readings are in part chosen to reflect student interest. This is the second half of a year-long course. Those who enroll must take both semesters.
Taught by: Mair
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisite: CHIN491
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 510 Topics in Chinese Culture
The objective of this superior level content-based course is to extend and refine students’ language and analytical skills while enhancing the appreciation of Chinese culture. The course is for students with native-like competence in Mandarin. Each class will proceed from reading, reflection, and interpretation, to the exchange of ideas. All reading materials are in Chinese with no glossary and all are written by scholars whose expertise are wither in contemporary and traditional culture of China, or in comparative study of Chinese and Western thoughts. Topics include: (1) the shared beliefs and behaviors of Chinese people; (2) traditional values and new values in the technological and business society; (3) how affection and love are manifested in Chinese culture; (4) what influenced the surge of popularity of Chinese wuxia fiction; (5) what it meant to be descendants of Chinese (huayi) living outside China. The class is conducted exclusively in Mandarin Chinese.
Taught by: Chiang
Course usually offered in spring term
Prerequisites: CHIN 411, 481 or permission of the instructor
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 515 Topics in Chinese Literature
This course surveys the literary movements of the post-Cultural Revolution era (1978-present). The reading consists of fictional works representative of each literary movement. Students will write four short (1-2 pages, double space) "responding" papers and two longer critical essays (5-7 pages double spaced). Each student will also give one oral presentation to the class on an assigned story. This course is designed for students who have achieved native or near native level of reading and writing proficiency in Chinese. The class is conducted exclusively in Chinese.
Taught by: Dietrich
Course not offered every year
Prerequisites: CHIN 411, CHIN 412, CHIN 415, 481, 482 or permission of the instructor.
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit

CHIN 722 Adv Classical Chinese II
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Seminar
1 Course Unit