VIETNAMESE (VIET)

VIET 110 Elementary Vietnamese I & II
An introduction to the language of North and South Vietnam. Instruction includes reading, writing, speaking and listening. Prerequisite: For the second semester, completion of the first semester or permission of the instructor. Course offered through Penn Language Center
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Nguyen
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through Penn Language Center.

VIET 111 Elementary Vietnamese II
This is the continuation course to ALAN 110-680 Elementary Vietnamese I. It is intended for learners who want to achieve an elementary-level in Vietnamese. Based on an interactive communication approach, its goal is to train students speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in Vietnamese. Learners are thoroughly involved in communicative activities such as conversations, performance simulations, drills, role-plays, games, etc. there are task-based activities in open communication settings where students can practice Vietnamese, make mistakes, and learn from them. Learners improve their reading and writing abilities by developing their grammar and meaning-based vocabulary.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

VIET 210 Intermediate Vietnamese I & II
A continuation of ALAN 110, the written and spoken language of Vietnam. Prerequisite: Offered through the Penn Language Center
For BA Students: Language Course
Taught by: Nguyen
One-term course offered either term
Prerequisite: ALAN 110
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit
Notes: Offered through the Penn Language Center.

VIET 211 Intermediate Vietnamese II
This is the continuation course to VIET 210 680 Interim Vietnamese I. Instruction includes reading, writing, speaking and listening through the use of Conversational Vietnamese textbook, other media, and through students participation in various classroom activities. Learners will also acquaint themselves with Vietnamese culture through lesson content and supplementary course materials. By the end of the course students should be able to further their knowledge of reading and writing skills, enhance their conversation skills, and read and write short narratives.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

VIET 310 Advanced Vietnamese I
The Advanced Vietnamese course is designed for students who have successfully completed the Intermediate Vietnamese course or have an equivalent level of proficiency. Students will be able to sharpen their skills to the advanced level in 3 areas: interpersonal (speaking and listening), presentational (speaking and writing), and interpretive (reading and listening) communications. This course helps students to acquire a wide range of vocabulary, colloquial expressions, and idioms. Students will be able to understand all common grammar rules in Vietnamese. It is for students who wish to express themselves fluently and spontaneously without searching for expressions. Sino-Vietnamese vocabulary (Han-Viet) will be learned to a greater extent because 70% of the lower-level Vietnamese is "pure Viet" but about 70% of the upper-level vocabulary is Han-Viet. The course covers a variety of aspects of Vietnam via a communicative, proficiency-oriented approach. Students are encouraged to perform debates, oral presentations, and written expositions. Project-based learning will be a part of the assessed activities and language learning technology will be applied throughout the course. Vietnamese is the language used entirely in this course.
For BA Students: Last Language Course
Taught by: Nguyen
Course not offered every year
Prerequisite: VIET 210 OR VIET 211
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

VIET 311 Advanced Vietnamese II for Healthcare Professions
Advanced Vietnamese for Health Professions is a content-based course designed for students who have successfully completed the Intermediate Vietnamese course (or have an equivalent level of proficiency) and plan to work in health care professions. This course especially facilitates Penn medical and nursing students who are going to serve the underserved Vietnamese communities in the U.S. and Vietnam. In this course, students will continue to sharpen their presentational (speaking and writing), interpretive (reading and listening), and interpersonal (speaking and listening) communication skills in health care settings. Students will learn and practice expressions, common questions/answers, and terminology to prepare to interact with Vietnamese speaking patients as well as to understand patients' medical records in Vietnamese language. Students will read, listen to, and discuss the authentic audio, visual, and written materials to prepare for their future medical registers linguistically and culturally. Sino-Vietnamese (Han-Viet) vocabulary plays a very important part in Vietnamese terminology in general and in medicine in particular. Han-Viet will be introduced and explained in a larger scope. Students will be able to understand medical vocabulary in professional forms and ordinary forms. At the same time, Advanced Vietnamese for Health Professions course will also cover a variety of aspects of Vietnamese culture via communicative, proficiency-oriented approach, so it helps. Project-based learning will be a part of the assessed activities and language learning technology will be applied throughout the course.
Students understand patients' need to practice their profession better and enrich their overall knowledge about Vietnam. Vietnamese is the language used entirely in this course.
Taught by: Nguyen
Course not offered every year
Prerequisite: VIET 310
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit