CHIN 190 - B100 Heritage Mandarin Chinese I

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Calendar Objective/Description:
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Instructor's Objectives:
This course aims to develop Chinese-heritage students’ communicative competence in listening, speaking, reading and writing in spoken Mandarin and modern written Chinese, with an emphasis on reading and writing. By the end of the course, students are expected to master Mandarin Chinese Phonetics (Pinyin) and have a good command of Mandarin pronunciation. Students will learn about 300 Chinese characters and gain basic reading and writing skills in Chinese.

The course has two major components in its delivery: 1) 2 hours per week of in-class lecture, which includes grammar, text analysis, and cultural topic discussion and presentation; 2) asynchronous online learning activities, which covers independent vocabulary learning, individual reading and writing practice, and group communication activities. The asynchronous online learning takes approximately six to eight hours per week. Students need a computer and internet access to use SFU Canvas for online learning.

Prerequisites:
see go.sfu.ca

Grading:
Class participation 5% Assignments 25% Vocab Quiz 15% Lesson Test 30% Presentation 10% Composition 15%

Required Books:

Academic Honesty Statement:
Academic honesty plays a key role in our efforts to maintain a high standard of academic excellence and integrity. Students are advised that ALL acts of intellectual dishonesty will be handled in accordance with the SFU Academic Honesty and Student Conduct Policies (http://www.sfu.ca/policies/gazette/student.html).