CHIN 180 - D100 Intensive Beginner Chinese I

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Calendar Objective/Description:
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Instructor’s Objectives:
This course is the first part of a series of intensive Mandarin Chinese courses designed for students learning Chinese from scratch. Emphasis is placed on mastering Mandarin Chinese Phonetics (articulation, tones and modulations of tones) and acquaintance with Chinese characters. Basic grammar, everyday conversation topics and Chinese communication style are also introduced.

Classes meet 4 hours per week online (synchronously) for six weeks followed by an online final examination at the beginning of week 7. Students are required to complete approximately 1-2 hours of asynchronous online learning per day.

The synchronous lectures will be conducted via Zoom, while the asynchronous online learning is on SFU Canvas. Students need a computer (with built-in microphone and webcam), a cell phone (with camera) or a scanner, and reliable internet access to join the class. Headsets are recommended.

Prerequisites:
see go.sfu.ca

Grading:
Attendance and active participation 6%; Assignments 30%; Lesson quizzes 30%; Oral tests 14%; Final exam 20%.

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).