



Elementary Spoken Chinese

CHN 120SP - GXNU Language Elective

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course introduces basic spoken Chinese through situational dialogues, pronunciation practice, and structured oral communication. Students will learn to **speak and interact in Chinese in everyday contexts**, emphasizing fluency, pronunciation accuracy, and conversational confidence. The course follows 汉语口语教程 第一册 (Spoken Chinese Course I), covering greetings, daily life, shopping, travel, and other foundational speaking scenarios.

OBJECTIVES

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Communicate orally in basic daily-life situations (introductions, shopping, directions, dining, etc.).
- Accurately pronounce Chinese sounds and tones with intelligible fluency.
- Use basic sentence structures and common vocabulary in spoken exchanges.
- Develop listening-to-speaking response skills for conversational interaction.
- Gain confidence in role-play and real-life speaking practice.
- Achieve oral proficiency at approximately HSK 1–2 level.

TEXTBOOKS

Students will purchase the following textbook after arrival in Guilin.

- 汉语口语教程 第一册 (Spoken Chinese Course I)

CREDITS

Students will earn three academic credits upon the completion of CHN 120SP, awarded by CLI's official university affiliate, Guangxi Normal University (GXNU).

GRADING

- Participation & Attendance: 20%
- Homework & Oral Practice Recordings: 15%
- Unit Oral Quizzes: 15%
- Midterm Oral Exam (Lessons 1–10): 20%
- Final Oral Exam (Lessons 11–20): 30%