



# Advanced Chinese 1.2

CHN 402.4 - Accelerated Comprehensive

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Welcome to Advanced Chinese 1.2 (CHN 402.4), a continuation of Upper Intermediate Chinese. CHN 401 is designed for students who already have a solid command over basic Chinese. Students enrolling in this course can expect added emphasis reading Chinese texts. This class will cover intermediate language skills in speaking, reading, writing, and listening through one-on-one lessons.

## **OBJECTIVES**

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

- Recognize ~350 additional Chinese words
- Engage in longer conversations about work, study, health, travel, culture, and values
- Read and understand short essays, letters, and news-style articles
- Write short essays using correct word order and varied connectors
- Read and write Chinese texts with minimal help and without the aid of pinyin

## **TEXTBOOKS**

The following textbooks will be distributed following your arrival in Guilin.

- Integrated Chinese, Level 4 (textbook & workbook) 4<sup>th</sup> Edition by Tao-chung Yao, Yuehua Liu, et al., Boston: Cheng & Tsui Company, 2017.

## **CREDITS**

Students will earn three academic credits upon the completion of CHN 402.4, awarded by CLI's official university affiliate, Guangxi Normal University (GXNU).

## **GRADING**

Each student will be required to participate in a midterm and final evaluation, which will be used by CLI's teaching staff to assess student progress. In addition, timely completion of homework assignments is expected, and teachers will utilize various informal methods (i.e., oral practice, in-class assignments, pop quizzes) to monitor comprehension. The Midterm evaluation will comprise of 5 short assessments at the end of each chapter completed in the text.

- Midterm evaluation                      20%
- Homework                                      20%
- Informal assessments                      10%
- Final evaluation                              50%



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## HOMEWORK

Homework will be assigned for every class and will be due the following day (unless otherwise noted). Students will receive a zero mark for each missed homework assignment and a reduced grade for each late assignment – missed and late homework will be noted during the final grading process.

## EXAMS

Students will be required to take one examination: a comprehensive final exam (50%). This examination will feature written and oral elements. The Midterm exam will consist of five separate short assessments given after the completion of each chapter in the text.

## COURSE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED FROM CHN 401.4)

### **Lesson 6 - Environmental Protection & Energy Conservation (环境保护与节约)**

- Describe a scene in which people are busily engaged in activities
- Talk about indicators of a clean environment
- List some green energy sources
- Give examples of practices that are environmentally friendly
- Forms: V1的V1, V2的V2; adjectives that can be reduplicated like verbs; 。。。吧, 。。。吧
- Words & phrases: 想起(来) vs. 想去(来); 保护环境; 可不是吗; 造成; 从。。。做能源; (有益)于; adj. + 于; V着V着起; 不堪设想

### **Lesson 7 - Financial Management & Investment (理财与投资)**

- Describe your spending habits
- Identify ways to invest money
- Talk about purchasing expensive items
- Describe the ups and downs of the stock market
- Forms: 一向 vs. 一直; summary of the 吧 construction; reduplication of verbs
- Words & phrases: 引起; 算(是); 合; 终于; 接着; 突然

### **Lesson 8 - Chinese History (中国历史)**

- Name some of the most important dynasties in Chinese history
- Describe the historical significance of some major Chinese dynasties
- Talk about some of China's important historical figures
- Forms: 之一; 其中
- Words & phrases: 参观 v. 游览; 千千万万; 在。。。基础上; 在。。。方面; 跟。。。有关(系); 再也没/不



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## Lesson 9 - Interviews (面试)

- Describe signs of nervousness
- Explain why China has been able to attract talent and foreign companies
- Describe your time management methods
- Congratulate someone on his or her accomplishments
- Forms: adverb 又；越。越；conjunction 既然
- Words & phrases: 叫做；好在；善于；往往 vs. 常常

## Lesson 10 - Foreigners in China (外国人在中国)

- Welcome a visitor at a welcoming party
- Bid someone farewell at a farewell party
- Joining a new community
- Describe the ease or difficulty of adjusting to life in a different country
- Forms: word order in Chinese; summary of the 吧 construction
- Words & phrases: 接受；而已；在。下；你说呢？

## *Final course review*