**George Mason University  
Department of Modern & Classical Languages**  
**Fall 2010 CHINESE 210–002 Intermediate Chinese**  
Class Meeting Time:      TR 7:20 p.m. – 8:35 p.m.  
Class Meeting Place:      Science and Technology I 120  
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**Course Objectives**   
This course is a sequel to elementary Chinese.  It will continue to focus on oral proficiency in daily communication and essential social interactions in Chinese, on expansion of both oral and written vocabulary, and on competent usage of Chinese idiomatic expressions and grammatical structures. By the end of the semester, students are expected to be able to:

* communicate fluently in Chinese in social interactions such as talking about weather, ordering food and shopping, etc.
* present well-organized information of yourself, your family, friend, work/study, and some aspects of American and Chinese cultures
* read and write approximately 300 single and compound Chinese words
* obtain the knowledge of Chinese culture which is an inseparable part of Chinese language

**Textbooks**:      
                       Integrated Chinese Book I, Part I (L8-11), Simplified Character Edition,

3nd  Edition, Cheng & Tsui Company   
                      (includes Textbook, Workbook, Character Workbook)  
  
**Course Requirements**   
Students’ own work is the key to the success of this course. You are required to:

1. Preview and review the lessons by listening to the tape/CD before and after classes   
2. Participate actively in class with the teacher and your classmates   
3. Do the homework in the Workbook, and turn it in on due day   
4. Attend class consistently and on time.  There will be no penalty for the first three missed classes.  After that, each absence will reduce your final grade by one percentage point.  (That is, thirteen absences in one semester will result in a 10% point deduction from your final grade.  So even if you get perfect scores on all tests and homework, you will get a "B" for the course due to your absence).

**Quizzes and Tests**  
There will be 4 tests that cover Lessons 8 to 11 respectively. The tests will test listening, reading, and writing skills, as well as knowledge of grammar and cultural aspects. Each test is worth 5% of the student’s final grade. There will be 2 quizzes for each lesson. There are a total of 8 quizzes for the whole semester, but students are allowed to drop 2 quiz grades. There will be no make-up quizzes and tests.

**Oral Exam**   
There will be a final oral exam at the end of the semester. Each student is required to give a presentation of approximately 5 minutes in front of the class on a topic of his or her choice. Students should try to incorporate as much of the studied material/ grammar/ vocabulary as possible, but they can be creative in devising form and content of the presentation. For example, the presentation can be a role-play, the telling of a story, describing a picture or scene, or a discussion of socio-cultural issues related to the lessons covered during the semester. In addition to the oral presentation you are expected to have an individual meeting with the instructor in her office. More details will be given about the format of the individual meeting in class.

**Final Exam**   
There will be a written final exam at the end of the semester. This comprehensive exam will test the student’s listening, reading, and writing skills, knowledge of grammar and cultural aspects. More details will be given in class.

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**Honor Code**The George Mason University Honor Code is in effect throughout the entire duration of the course and applies to all course work carried out inside and outside the classroom. It is the responsibility of each student to be familiar with the GMU Honor System and Code as laid out in the Student Handbook. Please refer to http://www.gmu.edu/mlstudents/handbook/honor.html for detailed information.

**Policy on Disabilities**

If you are a student with a disability and you need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at(703) 993-2474. All academic accommodations must be arranged through the ODS. <http://ods.gmu.edu>

**GMU Email Accounts**

Students must activate their GMU email accounts to receive important University information, including messages related to this class.

**OTHER USEFUL CAMPUS RESOURCES:**

WRITING CENTER: A114 Robinson Hall; (703) 993-1200; http://writingcenter.gmu.edu

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES “Ask a Librarian”

http://library.gmu.edu/mudge/IM/IMRef.html

COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS): (703) 993-2380;

http://caps.gmu.edu

**UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

The University Catalog, http://catalog.gmu.edu, is the central resource for university

policies affecting student, faculty, and staff conduct in university affairs.

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**Grades**   
Students’ final grades are composed as follows:

Class Participation   20 %   
Homework              20 %   
Quizzes                   10 %

Lesson tests             20%  
Oral                        15 % (10%+5%)  
Final                       15 %

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                             100% minus attendance penalty (if any)

**Grading Scale**

A         100-93   
A-         92-90   
B+         89-87   
B           86-83   
B-          82-80   
C+         79-77   
C           76-70   
D           69-60   
F            59- 0

**Session Schedule (8/30/2010-12/21/2010)**

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| **Date** | **Class** | **Homework** |
| Week 1 Tue, 08/31 | Introduction to the Course |  |
| Week 1  Thu 09/02 | Review L1-L7 |  |
| Week 2  Tue, 09/07 | L8 School Life  Part I Vocabulary |  |
| Week 2 Thu, 09/09 | L8 School Life  Part I Text, Grammar & Pattern Drills |  |
| Week 3  Tue, 09/14 | L8 School Life  Part I WB Exercises **Quiz 1** |  |
| Week 3  Thu, 09/16 | L8 School Life  Part II Vocabulary |  |
| Week 4  Tue, 09/21 | L8 School Life  Part II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills  **Quiz 2** | L8 character book due |
| Week 4  Thu, 09/23 | L8 School Life  Part II WB Exercises **L8 Test** | L8 Homework Due |
| Week 5  Tue, 09/28 | L9 Shopping  Part I Vocabulary |  |
| Week 5  Thu, 09/30 | L9 Shopping  Part I Text, Grammar & Pattern Drills |  |
| Week 6  Tue, 10/05 | L9 Shopping  Part I WB Exercises **Quiz 3** |  |
| Week 6  Thu, 10/07 | L9 Shopping  Part II Vocabulary |  |
| Week 7  Tue, 10/12 | No Class |  |
| Week 7  Thu, 10/14 | L9 Shopping  Part II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 4** |  |
| Week 8  Tue, 10/19 | L9 Shopping  Review **L9 Test** | L9 character book due  L9 Homework Due |
| Week 8  Thu,10/21 | L10 Transportation  Part I   Vocabulary |  |
| Week 9  Tue, 10/26 | L10 Transportation  Part I  Text, Grammar & Patten Drills |  |
| Week 9  Thu, 10/28 | L10 Transportation  Part I WB Exercises **Quiz5** |  |
| Week 10 Tue, 11/02 | L10 Transportation  Part II Vocabulary |  |
| Week 10  Thu, 11/04 | L10 Transportation  Part II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 6** | L10 character book due |
| Week 11 Tue, 11/09 | L10 Transportation  Part II WB Exercises **L10 Test** | L10 Homework Due |
| Week 11  Thu, 11/11 | L11  Part I   Vocabulary |  |
| Week 12 Tue, 11/16 | L11  Part I  Text, Grammar & Patten Drills |  |
| Week 12  Thu, 11/18 | L11  Part I WB Exercises **Quiz7** |  |
| Week 13 Tue, 11/23 | L11  Part II Vocabulary |  |
| Week 13  Thu, 11/25 | No Class |  |
| Week 14  Tue, 11/30 | L11  Part II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 8** |  |
| Week 14 Thu, 12/02 | L11  Part II WB Exercises **L11 Test** | L11 character book due |
| Week 15  Tue, 12/07 | Oral Presentation | L11 Homework Due |
| Week 15 Thu, 12/09 | One-On-One Meeting With Instructor |  |
| **Tue, 12/14**  **7:30.m.-**  **10:15p.m.** | FINAL EXAM (in our classroom)  **Happy Holidays! ** |  |