**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.
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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 1Tue, 08/31 | Introduction to the Course  |    |
| Week 1 Thu 09/02 | Review L1-L7 |    |
| Week 2Tue, 09/07 | L8 School Life Part I Vocabulary |    |
| Week 2Thu, 09/09 | L8 School LifePart I Text, Grammar & Pattern Drills |  |
| Week 3Tue, 09/14 | L8 School LifePart I WB Exercises **Quiz 1** |   |
| Week 3Thu, 09/16 | L8 School Life Part II Vocabulary |    |
| Week 4Tue, 09/21 | L8 School LifePart II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills  **Quiz 2** | L8 character book due |
| Week 4Thu, 09/23 | L8 School LifePart II WB Exercises **L8 Test** |  L8 Homework Due |
| Week 5Tue, 09/28 | L9 Shopping Part I Vocabulary |   |
| Week 5Thu, 09/30 | L9 ShoppingPart I Text, Grammar & Pattern Drills  |  |
| Week 6Tue, 10/05 | L9 ShoppingPart I WB Exercises **Quiz 3** |   |
| Week 6Thu, 10/07 | L9 Shopping Part II Vocabulary |    |
| Week 7Tue, 10/12 | No Class |  |
| Week 7Thu, 10/14 | L9 ShoppingPart II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 4** |  |
| Week 8Tue, 10/19 | L9 ShoppingReview **L9 Test**  | L9 character book due L9 Homework Due |
| Week 8Thu,10/21 | L10 Transportation  Part I   Vocabulary |  |
| Week 9Tue, 10/26 | L10 TransportationPart I  Text, Grammar & Patten Drills                    |   |
| Week 9Thu, 10/28 | L10 TransportationPart I WB Exercises **Quiz5** |  |
| Week 10Tue, 11/02 | L10 Transportation Part II Vocabulary |    |
| Week 10Thu, 11/04 | L10 TransportationPart II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 6** | L10 character book due |
| Week 11Tue, 11/09 | L10 TransportationPart II WB Exercises **L10 Test**  | L10 Homework Due |
| Week 11Thu, 11/11 | L11  Part I   Vocabulary |  |
| Week 12Tue, 11/16 | L11Part I  Text, Grammar & Patten Drills                    |    |
| Week 12Thu, 11/18 | L11Part I WB Exercises **Quiz7** |  |
| Week 13Tue, 11/23 | L11 Part II Vocabulary |  |
| Week 13Thu, 11/25 | No Class |  |
| Week 14Tue, 11/30 | L11Part II Text, Grammar & Pattern  Drills   **Quiz 8** |    |
| Week 14Thu, 12/02 | L11Part II WB Exercises **L11 Test**  | L11 character book due |
| Week 15Tue, 12/07 | Oral Presentation |  L11 Homework Due  |
| Week 15Thu, 12/09 | One-On-One Meeting With Instructor  |  |
| **Tue, 12/14****7:30.m.-** **10:15p.m.** | FINAL EXAM (in our classroom)**Happy Holidays! ** |  |