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CHINESE

Why Study Chinese?

Mandarin Chinese is the most widely spoken language in the world with 1.4 billion native speakers. China is one of the world’s oldest and richest continuous cultures, reaching back 5000 years. China is now the second largest economy in the world, and the second biggest trading partner with the US.

At MIT, are you considering a MISTI internship in China, Hong Kong, Taiwan or Singapore? Chinese IV (21G.104) or equivalent proficiency is recommended for participation in some programs.
MINOR in Chinese

Completed your concentration in Chinese? Take your Chinese skills to the next level by pursuing a minor while satisfying most HASS elective and CI-H requirements

- 6 subjects total, beginning from Chinese III
- 5 out of the 6 subjects can be applied to B-subject HASS requirement
- 1 of these 5 can apply to HASS Distribution (H, S, or A)
- 1-2 subjects taught in English pertaining to Chinese studies

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FALL 2017 Chinese Schedule

21G.030/193, Intro to East Asian Cultures
Examines traditional forms of East Asian culture (including literature, art, performance, food, and religion) as well as contemporary forms of popular culture (film, pop music, karaoke, and manga). Covers China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, and Hong Kong, with an emphasis on China. Taught in English with Chinese Language Option. HASS-H
TR, 1-2:30, E. Teng

21G.046/192, Modern Chinese Fiction and Cinema
Covers major works of Chinese fiction and film, from mainland China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. Focusing on the modern period, examines how Chinese intellectuals, writers, and filmmakers have used artistic works to explore major issues in modern Chinese culture and society. Taught in English with Chinese Language Option. HASS-H, CI-H
W, 7-10, J. Wang

21G.101, Chinese I
Intro to modern standard Chinese (Mandarin) with emphasis on developing conversational skills by using fundamental grammatical patterns and vocabulary in functional and culturally suitable contexts. Basic reading and writing are also taught. HASS-H
MWF, 2-3, K. Zhou
MWF, 12-1, M. Liang

21G.103, Chinese III
Continuing instruction in spoken and written Chinese, with particular emphasis on consolidating basic conversational skills and improving reading confidence. HASS-H
MWF, 10-11, T. Chen
MTRF, 1-2, M. Liang

21G.105, Chinese V
Students develop more sophisticated conversational and reading skills by combining authentic material with their own explorations of Chinese speaking societies, using the human, literary, and electronic resources. HASS-H
MWF, 10-11, T. Chen

21G.107, Chinese I (streamlined)
The first term streamlined sequence. Designed for students who have conversational skills (typically gained from growing up in a Chinese speaking environment) without a novice level of literacy. HASS-H
MWF, 10-11, M. Liang
MWF, 12-1, M. Liang

21G.109, Chinese III (streamlined)
Intermediate level subject in streamlined sequence. Designed for students who have conversational skills (typically gained from growing up in a Chinese speaking environment) without an intermediate level of literacy. Consolidates conversation skills, improves reading confidence and broadens composition style. HASS-H
MWF, 1-2, K. Zhou
MWF, 2-3, K. Zhou

21G.113, Chinese V (streamlined)
Advanced level subject in streamlined sequence. Designed for students who have conversational skills (typically gained from growing up in a Chinese speaking environment) without an advanced level of literacy. Focuses on learning standard usage of more sophisticated expressions as well as conducting students’ own explorations of modern China using online and print materials. HASS-H
MWF, 1-2, P. Gao

21G.120, Business Chinese, HASS-H

Most GSL classes are held in Bldg 14N or the 6th floor of Bldg 16. Check the online catalog for up-to-date room assignments and schedule information.

STUDY and INTERN ABROAD

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- MIT CHINA: China, Hong Kong, Taiwan
- MIT-CETI: MIT-China’s team educational technology
- MIT-Singapore

Study Abroad Advisor:
Contact Min-Min Liang (mliang@mit.edu) to recommend an accredited program

Transfer Credit Advisor:
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Looking ahead

IAP 2018
21G.101, Chinese I, HASS-H
21G.205, Chinese Calligraphy

Spring 2018
21G.036/190, Advertising and Media: Comparative Perspectives, HASS-H
21G.102, Chinese II, HASS-H
21G.104, Chinese IV, HASS-H
21G.106, Chinese VI, HASS-H
21G.108, Chinese II (streamlined), HASS-H
21G.110, Chinese IV (streamlined), HASS-H
21G.120, Business Chinese, HASS-H

CONCENTRATION OPTIONS

A. Chinese I or II through Chinese IV
B. Chinese III and two subjects beyond
C. Chinese IV or above, plus two more subjects
   - One subject allowed in English from 21G.030, .036, .038, .043, .044, .045, .046, .047, .048, .099

Concentration Proposal approval must be obtained by the first week of classes second term junior year.

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Assessing your level:
Contact Min-Min Liang (mliang@mit.edu) to assess your level and advise on course placement.