

## Spoken Mandarin for Speakers of Other Chinese Dialects I

Chinese 151

Section: G100

Term: 2010 Fall

Instructor: Jia Fei

Email: jia\_fei@sfu.ca

Phone: 778-782-7618

Office: RCB 8121

Discussion Topics: This course is a beginning conversational course designed for speakers in a Chinese dialect other than Mandarin (e.g. Cantonese). Students are expected to have no background in Spoken Mandarin but a good command of Chinese reading and writing before registering. The course aims to focus on the aural/oral aspects of the language. It will introduce students to Mandarin phonetics, pronunciation, vocabulary and develop their speaking skills in Mandarin through theme-based and task-based approaches. Lessons will be supplemented with selected skits, TV commercials as well as up-to-date multimedia materials.

### OBJECTIVES

Upon the completion of the course, students will be able:

\x09To understand and use Pinyin System with confidence.

\x09To understand simple conversation on daily aspects in Mandarin.

\x09To converse effectively in daily life contexts. Functions include self-introduction, asking/telling date and time, discussing plans for the future, make suggestions, inquiring, making complements, negotiating, expressing doubts or regrets, expressing interests or dislikes, etc.

\x09To understand and apply 350 new Mandarin words in new contexts.

Grading: Participation \x09\x09 5 % \x09\x09

Portfolio/Assignment \x09\x0910 % \x09

\x09Oral Test \x09\x0930 %

Pinyin Quizzes \x09 \x0910 % \x09\x09

Class Activities \x09\x09\x0915 %

Lesson Quizzes \x09\x0915 % \x09

\x09Midterm Project \x09\x09\x0915 %

Required Texts: Xu, M. Mandarin Putonghua (Putonghua Jiaocheng). Hong Kong: Wan Li Book Co.,

**Spoken Mandarin for Speakers of Other Chinese Dialects I**

Ltd., 2006. ISBN: 978-962-14-3221-6.

Recommended Texts:

Materials/Supplies:

Prerequisite/Corequisite: Permission from the department. Students interested in the course should bring their High School transcript, SFU Unofficial Transcript and their SFU ID to attend a placement interview. Please note that all the interview sessions will be recorded.

The drop-in placement interviews will be held by Jia Fei in RCB 8121 on the following dates:

- Wednesday July 14, 2010 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm
- Wednesday July 21, 2010 from 1:30 to 3:30pm
- Thursday July 22, 2010 from 2:45pm to 4:00pm
- Tuesday, July 27, 2010 from 2:45pm to 4:00pm
- Wednesday July 28, 2010 from 1:30 to 3:30pm

Students who are fluent in a Chinese dialect but have NEVER formally studied Mandarin are encouraged to apply. Students who have studied Mandarin in Secondary School should take CHIN152. Students who have been educated in Mandarin environment or who have native-like oral proficiency in Mandarin will not be admitted in CHIN151/152.

Notes: CHIN 151 may be applied towards the Certificate in Liberal Arts or the Certificate in Chinese Studies and the Asia-Canada Extended Minor.

This outline is derived from a course outline repository database that was maintained by SFU Student Services and the University's IT Services Department. The database was retired in 2014 and the data migrated to SFU Archives in 2015.