

Chinese

CHINESE – CHIN

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Possible career opportunities

The study of Chinese can open up opportunities in communications, foreign trade and banking, transportation, government, the Foreign Service, tourism, library services, teaching, professional translating, journalism, and all levels of education, including university teaching. Most foreign language careers require more than two years of study.

**Associate in arts degree
Mandarin Chinese**

Students completing the program will be able to...

- A. communicate verbally in the target language with accurate pronunciation in meaningful situations present in both informal and formal contexts.
- B. effectively apply rules of grammar and syntax in tandem with appropriate vocabulary in written and oral communication.
- C. demonstrate auditory comprehension of instruction, authentic content, and purposeful conversations in the target language.
- D. discuss, describe, and infer information from authentic texts in the target language.
- E. demonstrate cultural appreciation by making (comparative) connections, on both an individual and societal level, between the target cultures and students' own cultures.
- F. create (write or present) narratives and/or arguments that demonstrate cohesive critical thinking in the target language.

The associate in arts degree in Mandarin Chinese at DVC will provide students with skills in understanding, speaking, reading and writing Mandarin Chinese. The curriculum exposes students to Chinese culture and civilization and provides foundational skills in language that can apply to a broad range of international and domestic career opportunities and professions. The degree will provide lower division preparation for transfer to UC, CSU and other four-year colleges and universities to earn a bachelor's degree.

The DVC Mandarin Chinese major is intended for transfer. Students who intend to transfer must consult with a program advisor or counselor to ensure that the requirements for transfer to baccalaureate-granting institutions of their choice are met. Students who intend to transfer are advised to select General Education Option 2 (IGETC) or Option 3 (CSU GE). Option 1 (DVC General Education) is appropriate for those students who do not intend to transfer. Students may not take a pass/no pass option for major courses and each of the major requirements must be completed with a "C" grade or higher. Certain courses may satisfy both major and general education requirements; however, the units are counted only once.

Students must complete the 20 units of major requirements, which will provide students with the essential grammar of the language and culture of China.

<i>major requirements:</i>		<i>units</i>
CHIN-120	First Term Chinese	5
CHIN-121	Second Term Chinese.....	5
CHIN-220	Third Term Chinese	5
CHIN-221	Fourth Term Chinese.....	5
total minimum units for the major		20

**Certificate of achievement
Mandarin Chinese**

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This certificate of achievement was created to give students the opportunity to show potential employers in this country and in other countries that the student has completed a certain number of courses in Chinese and prepares students with an intermediate to advanced knowledge of Chinese and familiarizes them with the culture of China and other Chinese-speaking countries.

This certificate of achievement provides students, prospective employers and others with documented evidence of persistence and academic accomplishment in the language. The certificate requires completion of 15 to 20 units from the following list of courses. Students may not take a credit/no credit option for required courses and each course used to meet a certificate requirement must be completed with a "C" grade or higher.

<i>complete at least 15 units from:</i>		<i>units</i>
CHIN 120	First Term Mandarin Chinese.....	5
CHIN 121	Second Term Mandarin Chinese	5
CHIN 220	Third Term Mandarin Chinese.....	5
CHIN-221	Fourth Term Mandarin Chinese	5
total minimum required units		15

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CHIN-120 First Term Mandarin Chinese

5 units SC

- IGETC: 6A
- 90 hours lecture per term
- Note: This course is equivalent to two years of high school study.

This course provides an introduction to the Chinese language and the culture of Chinese-speaking countries. Topics include the four language skills: speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Emphasis is placed on active use of the language in class as well as basic communicative functions and structures. CSU, UC

CHIN-121 Second Term Mandarin Chinese

5 units SC

- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
- 90 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: CHIN-120 or two years of high school study or equivalent
- Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the second course in a sequence of Mandarin Chinese language courses. The course continues skill building in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing of the Mandarin Chinese language. The expansion of vocabulary (characters) and more advanced communicative functions and structures, as well as a deeper examination of the cultures of Mandarin Chinese-speaking countries are emphasized. CSU, UC

CHIN-150 Topics in Chinese

.3-4 units SC

- Variable hours

A supplemental course in Chinese to provide a study of current concepts and problems in Chinese and related subdivisions. Specific topics will be announced in the schedule of classes. CSU

CHIN-220 Third Term Mandarin Chinese

5 units SC

- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
- 90 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: CHIN-121 or three years of high school study or equivalent
- Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the third term Chinese course in a sequence. Students will learn to develop fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing Chinese. New vocabulary, idiomatic expressions, and grammatical concepts are introduced. Selected readings about Chinese culture and literature will be explored. This course is taught entirely in Chinese, but students can choose either of the two Chinese written systems to develop their knowledge and ability. CSU, UC

CHIN-221 Fourth Term Mandarin Chinese

5 units SC

- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
- 90 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: CHIN-220 or four years of high school study or equivalent
- Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the fourth term Chinese course in a sequence. Students will be able to develop fluency in all aspects of the Chinese language with particular attention paid to literary forms as reflected in the contemporary Chinese world. This course reviews grammar and develops advanced reading and writing skills in Chinese. Passages from Chinese literature and readings about Chinese culture will be studied. Computer skills in Chinese will be applied. Students may choose either of the two Chinese writing systems to develop their knowledge and ability. CSU, UC

CHIN-298 Independent Study

.5-3 units SC

- Variable hours
- Note: Submission of acceptable educational contract to department and Instruction Office is required.

This course is designed for advanced students who wish to conduct additional research, a special project, or learning activities in a specific discipline/subject area and is not intended to replace an existing course. The student and instructor develop a written contract that includes objectives to be achieved, activities and procedures to accomplish the study project, and the means by which the supervising instructor may assess accomplishment. CSU

CHIN-299 Student Instructional Assistant

.5-3 units SC

- Variable hours
- Note: Applications must be approved through the Instruction Office. Students must be supervised by a DVC instructor.

Students work as instructional assistants, lab assistants and research assistants in this department. The instructional assistants function as group discussion leaders, meet and assist students with problems and projects, or help instructors by setting up laboratory or demonstration apparatus. Students may not assist in course sections in which they are currently enrolled. CSU