

Short-Term Intensive Chinese Language Program Proposal



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Overview

The Chinese Language Center (CLC) was established in 1997 as part of Center for Continuing Education at the National Sun Yat-sen University. The CLC has custom-designed a six-week intensive Chinese Language program, aimed to increase Chinese language proficiency and understanding of Chinese culture. Practical extracurricular activities are included for students to experience the unique cultural characteristics of Taiwan.

Length of Program

Six-hour / day instruction hours (3 hours in the morning and 3 hours in the afternoon).

Five-days per week for six-weeks period.

Teaching Staff

Experienced instructors with bachelor degrees and professional training in Teaching Chinese as Second Language (TCSL).

Textbook

1. Conversation: *An Introduction to Mandarin Pronunciation, Far East Everyday Chinese, Practical Audio-Visual Chinese, Speak Mandarin, Chatting in Chinese, Practical Business Conversations*, etc.
2. Readings: *Chinese Moral Tales, Taiwan Today, Thought and Society, Talks on Chinese Culture, Practical Newspaper Readings, A First Course for Literary Chinese*, etc.

Curriculum

I. Language Course

Time: Monday through Friday mornings, three hours instruction per day.

Level: basic, elementary, intermediate, advanced.

Method: Daily language courses directed in communicative approach through language games, Role play, authentic materials, and also task-oriented practices.

Content: Basic level courses emphasize pronunciation, daily conversation and message writing. Elementary level courses emphasize practical conversation, story reading and casual writing. Intermediate level courses emphasize meeting report, media readings and summary writing. Advanced level courses emphasize negotiation, newspaper reading and report writing.

Evaluation: graded according to regular assignments, quizzes, midterms and finals.

II. Language and Culture Course

Time: three hours instruction per week.

Method: weekly cultural courses through lectures, demonstration, practices, etc.

Content: various topics such as Chinese calligraphy, Chinese traditional music, Taiwanese puppet, Taiwanese Opera, art of Chinese knot, art of paper umbrella, aboriginal culture, temples and Taoist palaces, and Taiwanese delicacies.

Evaluation: grades are based on final report of self-chosen topic.

III. Cultural Excursion Activities

Time: three hours per week.

Method: excursion arranged in accordance with the topics of Language and Culture courses.

Content: half day tour to night market, Hakka cultural village, Aborigine park, Historical Museum and Municipal Film Archive.

IV. Academic Counseling and Language Exchange

Time: nine hours per week.

Method: weekly three-hour academic advising session and six-hour language exchange session.

Content: experienced instructors as advisors to assist students' questions on academic matters and to proof-read their final reports. Language exchange sessions are conducted by either NSYSU student ambassadors or trainees in TCSL to provide opportunities for conversation practices.

Completion of Program

Student will receive a certificate of completion upon passing grades at the end of each program. Transferable-credits will be accounted according to home institution based on transcript.

Program Fee: NT\$48,100

1. Tuition: NT\$39,600

Average class size varies from 6 to 10 students, with a minimum of 6 students. Tuition is adjusted accordingly if class size is below 6 students.

Tuition include:

- a. Placement evaluation test;
- b. Language courses;
- c. Language Cultural courses;
- d. Cultural Excursion activities;
- e. Academic advising sessions;
- f. Handouts
- g. Welcome & Farewell receptions
- h. Cultural excursion expenses
- i. Airport pick-up and departure service (not including transportation fee)

2. Additional:

a. Administrative processing fee: NT\$500

b. Transportation fee:

(Airport transportation to and from campus can be arranged upon request.)

3. Housing Fee: NT\$6,000/person (plus NT\$1,000 deposit)

- a. Resident halls are double-occupancy;
- b. Internet access, air-conditioned, wooden-framed bed, desk and chair, book shelf, closet;
- c. Each floor is equipped with shower facilities, and every building has student lounge with television access;
- d. Electricity cost for air-condition is charged according to use;
- e. Bedding are not provided.

4. Insurance Fee: NT\$1,000

* include accidental injury and medical care, not including hospitalized costs.

Sample Weekly Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (3 Hours)	Language Class	Language Class	Language Class	Language Class	Language Class
Afternoon (3 Hours)	Language & Cultural Courses	Language Exchange	Cultural Excursion	Language Exchange	Academic Advising

Program Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W E E K 1	Arrival on campus	9:00 a.m. Placement Evaluation Test 2:00 p.m. Campus Tour, Orientation	9:10 a.m. Class begins 2:00 p.m. City Tour: Glance at Kaohsiung City	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Academic Advising
W E E K 2	Morning Class Afternoon Language & Cultural Course: Chinese Calligraphy	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Cultural Excursion: Historic Museum & Municipal Film Archive	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Academic Advising
W E E K 3	Morning Class Afternoon Language & Cultural Course: Taiwanese Delicacies	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Free Night (6:30 p.m.) City Tour: Night Market Tour	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Academic Advising
W E E K 4	Morning Class Afternoon Language & Cultural Course: A Short Guide to Hakka Culture	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Cultural Excursion: Trip to Mei Nong	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Academic Advising
W E E K 5	Morning Class Afternoon Language & Cultural Course: Guide to Aborigine Culture	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Cultural Excursion: Trip to Mount Fo Guang	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Academic Advising
W E E K 6	Morning Class Afternoon Language & Cultural Course: Art of Chinese knot	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Class Afternoon Cultural Excursion: National Science and Technology Museum	Morning Class Afternoon Language Exchange	Morning Finals Afternoon Free Night Reception and Certificate Ceremony