

## Getting started with Chinese

### Supplementary Curricular Activities

Target group	Only Master of Science programs
Enrolment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enrolment through yoU@B diary</li></ul>
Course information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Taught in English</li><li>• One class (max 50 students)</li><li>• 24 hours</li></ul>
Minimum entry level	None
Objective	To acquire a basic knowledge of the language
Attendance certificate and credits	To obtain the attendance certificate and 2 credit points, students must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attend at least 75% of the lessons (registered via Attendance procedure)</li><li>• Pass the final test</li></ul>

## Introduction

The course (24 hours) is aimed at beginners and is intended to provide the basics of the Chinese standard spoken language (Putonghua).

The course is offered in the 1st and 2nd semester. When the admissions period is over, applicants will receive confirmation of their acceptance/non-acceptance on the course.

Two credit points can be obtained upon completion of the course (minimum 75% attendance) and passing the final exam.

## Syllabus

The course focuses on the analysis of real situations, video, and oral and written pieces, in order to offer students an introduction on the Chinese language and culture.

Objectives of the course:

- Learning the basis of linguistic elements;
- Introducing the Chinese culture.

Lessons	Content
Lessons 1-2	Introduction: Chinese characters and phonetic transcription; Courtesies and greetings
Lessons 3-4	Shopping and cultural trips
Lessons 5-6	Basic elements of grammar and syntax
Lessons 7-9	Cultural traditions
Lessons 10-12	Asking directions, the date and time, personal profile

For successful learning outcomes, it is recommended that students complete autonomously the exercises of the textbook during the course.

## Calendar

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Date	Time	Room
Monday 24 February 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 26 February 2020	18:00-19:30	32
Monday 2 March 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 4 March 2020	18:00-19:30	32
Monday 9 March 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 11 March 2020	18:00-19:30	32
Monday 23 March 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 25 March 2020	18:00-19:30	32
Monday 30 March 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 1 April 2020	18:00-19:30	32
Monday 6 April 2020	18:00-19:30	31
Wednesday 8 April 2020	18:00-19:30	32

## Set textbook

Kang Yuhua & Lai Siping, *Conversational Chinese 301, 3rd edition*, Beijing language and culture university press, 2006

## Conditions for obtaining two credit points (CP)

To obtain two credit points (CP), which can be registered in the student's academic career, two conditions must be met:

1. **Attendance of 75%** (or higher) of the course as recorded by the teacher through the Attendance procedure;
2. Passing the **final test**.