302 Advanced Modern Chinese (Section 1)  
Asian Languages & Cultures  
Rutgers University  
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Syllabus

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Course Description
This course is intended for students who have taken Intermediate Chinese and one-semester Advanced Modern Chinese, or the equivalent to enhance and further develop their proficiency in modern Chinese language. All four language skills are equally emphasized. Students will learn about the modern Chinese society and culture through the reading of the texts and discussions in class. Students are expected be familiar with both traditional and simplified characters. This course is conducted in Chinese.

Statement of Learning Goals
As this course emphasizes comprehensive language skills, students will be able to communicate effectively in Standard Chinese and achieve advanced-level speaking, reading, and writing competency. Meanwhile, by means of studying lesson texts and grasping grammar notes, students will acquire deeper understanding of Chinese modern society and culture and demonstrate practical skills in using Chinese for translation: either English into Chinese or vice versa. At the end of the semester, upon fulfilling one 5-minute oral presentation and two essays with the word amount around 500-600, students should be geared up for a step further in modern Chinese language.

Course Materials
- Li-li Teng Foti, Rongzhen Li and Yu-lin Wang, Discussing Everything Chinese  

Course Structure
This course consists of the following parts:
1. Regular classes  
2. Homework assignments  
3. 2 compositions (500-600 characters each) and oral presentation  
4. Quizzes/Dictation  
5. 2 hourly exams and a cumulative final exam
Class Attendance
This is a highly intensive course and good attendance is expected from all students. Class meets twice a week and you are expected to be in class and on time every day. If you expect to miss classes, please inform the instructor of your absence in advance using the university absence reporting website https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra to indicate the date and reason for your absence. (Please note: Reporting your absence does not "excuse" you). Absences can be excused only for religious reasons or by presentation of some official documents explaining your absences (e.g., doctor notes). If you miss class more than 30 minutes, your lateness will be counted as a half absence. More than 7 absences will lead automatically to an “F”.

Class Preparation
Since this is a highly intensive course, you are expected to come to class well prepared. You are strongly encouraged to preview the text, vocabularies and grammar before each class. Please arrange your schedule so that you have enough time to prepare for this class. Language learning is a cumulative process and requires continuous and steady effort.

Homework & Assignments
Homework will be assigned regularly in class. You are also supposed to write two compositions (500-600 characters each). The compositions should be done on an individual basis. You can choose your own topic for compositions, as long as your topic is somewhat related to the contents we’ve covered in class. If you are not sure about your topic, you are welcome to discuss your topic with the instructor. You also need to do an oral presentation, in which you work in a group with your fellow students. Please submit your homework and assignments on time to receive full credit. Late submission within the week of the due date will receive only half credit. If later than a week, the homework or assignments may not be accepted. Please write out your homework and assignments in neat handwriting.

Exams
There are two hourly exams and a final exam. Please notify the instructor in advance of your needs of taking a make-up or rescheduling an exam. Official documents should be provided to ask for a make-up or rescheduling.

Plagiarism/Cheating Policy
Any form of Plagiarism/Cheating is strictly forbidden in this course. Plagiarism on exams and compositions will automatically result in an “F” in the respective item. For more information regarding academic integrity, please check the new Rutgers “Policy on Academy Integrity” available at http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/files/documents/AI_Policy_9_01_2011.pdf.
Grading
Your final grade will be calculated as follows:

- Attendance: 5%
- Quizzes: 15%
- Homework: 10%
- 2 hourly exams: 25%
- 2 Compositions (500-600 characters each): 10%
- Oral presentation: 5%
- Class participation: 10%
- Final exam: 20%

Semester Schedule

Wed Jan. 18  
Introduction and overview of the course

Mon Jan. 23  
Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the first part of Lesson 7;  
The first part of Lesson 7.  
(农历正月初一: 春节)

Wed Jan. 25  
Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the second part of Lesson 7;  
The second part of Lesson 7;

Mon Jan. 30  
Dictation on Lesson 7;  
Listening comprehension, patterns, and activities.

Wed Feb. 1  
Oral activities, written exercise;  
**Homework due** (pp.175-177, # 1, 2, 3 &4).

Mon Feb. 6  
Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the first part of Lesson 8;  
The first part of Lesson 8.  
(农历正月十五: 元宵节)

Wed Feb. 8  
Continue the first part of Lesson 8;  
Preview the vocabulary and content of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} part of Lesson 8.

Mon Feb. 13  
Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the second part of Lesson 8;  
The second part of Lesson 8;

Wed Feb. 15  
Dictation on Lesson 8;  
Listening comprehension, patterns, and activities.

Mon Feb. 20  
Oral activities, written exercise;  
**Homework due** (pp. 200-202, # 1, 2, 3 & 4).

Wed Feb. 22  
The 1\textsuperscript{st} hourly exam (Texts 7 & 8)
Mon Feb. 27  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the first part of Lesson 9;  
The first part of Lesson 9.

Wed Feb. 29  Continue the first part of Lesson 9;  
Preview the vocabulary and content of the second part of Lesson 9;

Mon Mar. 5  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the second part of Lesson 9;  
The second part of Lesson 9.

Wed Mar. 7  Dictation on Lesson 9;  
Listening comprehension, patterns, and activities;

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Mon Mar. 19  Oral activities, written exercise;  
**Homework due** (pp. 222-224, # 1, 2, 3 & 4).  
The first composition due.

Wed Mar. 21  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the first part of Lesson 10;  
The first part of Lesson 10.

Mon Mar. 26  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the 2nd part of Lesson 10;  
The second part of Lesson 10;

Wed Mar. 28  Dictation on Lesson 10;  
Listening comprehension, patterns, and activities;

Mon Apr. 2  Oral activities, written exercise;  
**Homework due** (pp. 243-245, # 1, 2 & 4).

Wed Apr. 4  The 2nd hourly exam (Texts 9 & 10)  
（农历三月初三: 清明节）

Mon Apr. 9  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the first part of Lesson 11;  
The first part of Lesson 11.

Wed Apr. 11  Quiz on the vocabulary and content of the 2nd part of Lesson 11;  
The second part of Lesson 11.

Mon Apr. 16  Dictation on Lesson 11;  
Listening comprehension, patterns, and activities;

Wed Apr. 18  Oral activities, written exercise;  
**Homework due** (pp. 265-267, # 1, 2 & 3).
Mon Apr. 23      Oral presentation

Wed Apr. 25      Oral presentation

Mon Apr. 30      General review for the final exam
                  The Second Composition due.

Final Exam 期末考试：Wednesday, May 9, 2012, 12noon-3pm