



SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES, LITERACIES AND TRANSLATION

BASIC CONVERSATIONAL CHINESE I

Introduction

- The short-term Chinese language courses are for individuals who are interested in improving their proficiency in the language within a short duration.
- A communicative approach is utilised in the course's teaching and learning process, coupled with the use of the most up-to-date audio-visual technology available.

Objective

- The objective is to help students achieve a measure of basic communicative competence that will allow them to interact comfortably in everyday situations.

Content

- Greetings, conversing about identities (e.g. name, age, country of origin, profession, marital status, languages spoken and hobbies), introductions, giving directions, describing people, common expressions and conversing about time.

Entry Level

- Beginners
- Minimum age: 16 and above

Duration

- 5 weeks (10 sessions)
- Total: 20 contact hours
- Date: 9 July 2018 – 10 Aug 2018

Schedule

- Tuesday and Thursday, 5pm – 7pm

Venue

- Building D09/Room 213, School of Languages, Literacies and Translation

Fee

- RM600 per person/course (inclusive of materials)

Note:

*Classes will only commence if there is a minimum of 5 registered students (maximum number of students per class: 15). Payment need not be made until it is confirmed that classes will commence. A meeting will be held on **27 June 2018** (Wednesday at **5:00PM** at the Conference Hall, School of Languages, Literacies and Translation. Payment period: 27 June 2018 – 6 July 2018.*

A certificate will be awarded upon completion of the course.

COURSE SYLLABUS

WEEK	TOPIC
1	Unit 1: Hello - Phonetics 1 Unit 2: How are you? - Phonetics 2 Unit 3: What do you eat? - Phonetics 3
2	Unit 4: How much? - Phonetics 4 - Numbers Unit 5: Where is the library? - Phonetics 5
3	Unit 6: Let me introduce. Grammar: - The word order in a Chinese sentence - “是” sentence type (I) - The attributive and the structural particle “的” - Sentences with an adjectival predicate Unit 7: Are you feeling well? Grammar: - Sentence with a “subject-predicate” predicate - Questions (I) - Affirmative-negative questions - “有” sentences
4	Unit 8: What is your nationality? Grammar: - Questions (II) - Numeral-measure phrases as attributive - “几” and “多少” - The propositional construction Unit 9: How many members are there in your family? Grammar: - Asking about the number of people in a family - Asking about professions - Asking about ages
5	Unit 10: What is the time now? Grammar: - Ways of telling the time - Ways of expressing year, month, day and week - Sentences with a nominal predicate Revision and assessment.