

Minor in Chinese Studies

Catalogue Description

The minor in Chinese Studies will provide students with a basic Chinese language skill and a sophisticated understanding of Chinese literature, history, and culture. This minor will be of particular relevance to students with broad interest in learning Chinese culture. Students interested in taking this minor program should contact the Chinese advisor in the Department of Asian and East European Languages and Literatures of the School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures.

Courses required for this minor are:

a) Six credits of Chinese language course study at any level, based upon students' level of proficiency. Courses may be selected from among the following:

CHIN101: "Intensive Elementary Chinese I"
CHIN102: "Elementary Spoken Chinese"
CHIN103: "Elementary Written Chinese"
CHIN105: "Elementary Chinese - Accelerated Track"
CHIN201: "Intermediate Spoken Chinese I"
CHIN202: "Intermediate Written Chinese I"
CHIN203: "Intermediate Spoken Chinese II"
CHIN204: "Intermediate Written Chinese II"
CHIN205: "Intermediate Chinese - Accelerated Track"
CHIN207: "Linguistic Resources for Students of Chinese"
CHIN301: "Advanced Chinese I"
CHIN302: "Advanced Chinese II"
CHIN305: "Life in China through TV Plays I"
CHIN306: "Life in China through TV Plays II"
CHIN321: "Classical Chinese I"
CHIN401: "Readings in Modern Chinese I"
CHIN402: "Readings in Modern Chinese II"
CHIN403: [number has been changed to CHIN321]
CHIN404: [number has been changed to CHIN408]
CHIN408: "Classical Chinese II"
CHIN411: "Business Chinese I"
CHIN412: "Business Chinese II"
CHIN413: "Advanced Conversation and Composition"
CHIN415: "Readings in Current Newspapers and Periodicals"
CHIN431: "Translation and Interpretation I"
CHIN432: "Translation and Interpretation II"
CHIN441: "Traditional Chinese Fiction"
CHIN442: "Modern Chinese Fiction"

b) Three 3-credit courses from among the following, which must be selected from at least two

different departments (other Chinese-specific courses will be added to the list should they be developed):

CHIN313: "Chinese Poetry and Prose in Translation"

CHIN314: "Chinese Fiction and Drama in Translation"

CHIN315: "Modern Chinese Literature in Translation"

CHIN316: "Traditional Chinese Values"

CHIN331: "Chinese Calligraphy: Theory and Practice"

CHIN421: "Sounds and Transcriptions of Mandarin Chinese"

CHIN422: "Advanced Chinese Grammar"

CHIN423: "Chinese Historical Phonology"

CHIN424: "Linguistics of the Chinese Writing System"

CHIN428: "Selected Topics in Chinese Linguistics"

GVPT359: "Topics in Comparative Politics: Comparative Democratization" (if a Chinese topic is the focus of the course)

HIST419: "Special Topics in History" (if a Chinese topic is the focus of the course)

HIST480: "History of Traditional China"

HIST481: "A History of Modern China"

Students must receive a "C or better in all courses used for the minor. 9 of the 15 credits must be upper-level courses. No more than six of the fifteen credits toward the minor may be taken at an institution other than UMCP.

Oversight and Record Keeping

Oversight of this minor program will be through the normal academic processes of the Department of Asian and East European Languages and Literatures. The department's Undergraduate Advisor will be responsible for ensuring that students are properly advised and that records are appropriately kept.