

Elementary Chinese 112: Course Introduction

Who can take this course?

Chinese 112 is a beginning level class designed for students who may have grown up in the U.S., speak Chinese or a dialect (Shanghainese, Wenzhounese, etc.) at home, but cannot read and write.



When and where?

Time:

Tuesdays & Thursdays: {2:15—4:05 pm}

Place:

Queens Hall 265H



Instructors

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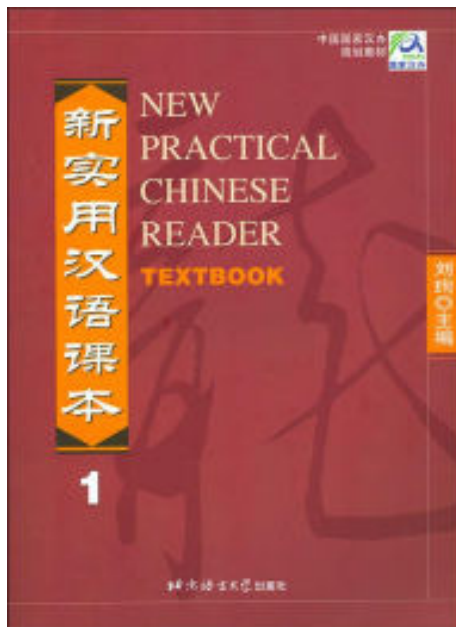
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Instructor for **Thursday** classes



Textbooks

1. **Required:** New Practical Chinese Reader Vol. 1. By Liu, Xun. Beijing: Beijing Language & Culture University Press, 2002. (available on blackboard → course materials)



Course website

<http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/~xli/>

(For course schedule, class handouts, homework, etc.)

Blackboard (for online assignment and grades)



Course work

1. **Written Homework** (available on course website)

1a: Character practice sheet

1b: Sentence pattern practice

2. **Quizlet Assignment**

sign up for Quizlet.com (<https://quizlet.com/join/Rpzx9g8J2>) with a username in the format “[**last name**]_[**first name**]” (for example, “Li_Xiao”).

3. **Online Assignment** (available on blackboard)

4. **Audio Assignment** (available on blackboard)



Course work

4. **Quiz** on the vocabulary of each lesson;

Test on the grammar and the vocabulary of every two lessons;

5. **Two Presentations**

a. Presentation 1: Self-introduction (自我介绍: zìwǒjièshào), in which you tell us your name, your major, your hobbies, your friends, your family, your hometown in China.

b. Presentation 2 on a topic related to Chinese culture, holidays, or current events.

6. **Midterm & Final Exams**



Assessment

1. Effort & Participation		10%
2. Assignments	Homework	10 %
	Quizlet	5%
	Audio	10%
	Online	5%
3. Quizzes and Tests		10%
4. Two Presentations		15%
5. Midterm written exam		15%
6. Final written exam		20%



Self-introductions (Extra credit)

Please post your introduction here, preferably within the first week the course, by creating a new thread. In your self-introduction, you must respond to the following questions as much as you feel comfortable doing so.

What is your name?

What is your major?

What language(s) do you speak?

What Chinese dialects do you speak, if any?

Why are you taking this course?

Have you visited China before? When and where? How was your experience there?

What do you do in your free time?

Anything else you would like your classmates to know about you?

Note: To make your photo ("avatar") appear next to all your postings in discussion, go to your Blackboard Home page and, under Tools, click Personal information>Personalize my Settings OR use the Global Navigation Menu drop-down at the top right of your screen and click Settings>Personal Information and upload a photo, drawing, or any other chosen representation of yourself! (If you need help doing this or resizing your photo to a suitable size, we recommend that you use the website <http://www.shrinkpictures.com/create-avatar> to resize your profile picture.)



Ground rules

1. Attendance will be taken 5 minutes after the class begins;
2. No Make-ups for quizzes and tests;
3. No late homework assignment;
4. Academic integrity.

