

Chinese language

Preparation for the HSK 1 certification

Level A1

Target group	Students enrolled in Bocconi degree programs (Bachelor, Master of Science, Integrated Master of Arts in Law), and PhDs.
Conditions of participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrolment through yoU@B diary in the periods communicated in the Agenda and specified on the website
Course information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught in English • One single class with limited number • Semester course • 48 hours • Offered in the first semester
Minimum level	Not required
Objective	Basic knowledge of the language and preparation for the HSK 1 – equivalent to level A1 certification
Attendance Certificate	Positive attendance of 75% of lessons (recorded through the attendance procedure)
N.B.	Please note that the course is activated depending on a minimum number of students

Introduction

The course, which lasts 48 hours, is aimed at beginners and intends to provide the basic elements of spoken and written language and preparation for the HSK level 1 equivalent to A1 certification.

The activity is proposed in the first and second semester of the academic year: the student receives information on the enrolment procedure and period through the yoU@B diary. At the end of this period, a message is sent with regards to admission / non-admission to the course.

A certificate of participation will be issued upon attending 75% of the hours of the course.

Program

The program includes an introductory lesson, cultural lessons, a simulation of the HSK 1st level exam and the development of the units 1 to 8 of the textbook used, which can be summarized as follows:

- Grammatical and syntactic elements
- Analysis of Chinese characters (hanzi), phonetic transcription (pinyin)
- Writing and phonetics exercises
- Reading and understanding of appropriate text
- Conversations in Chinese language

Lessons	Content
Weeks 1 to 3	Introduction: Chinese characters and phonetic transcription, the simple sentence: verbal, adjectival and nominal predicates
Weeks 4 to 9	Basic fundamentals of grammar and syntax: simple questioning, nominative specifications, substitute questions, determination, verb "to be", prepositional groups, completion of date and number formation up to 99
Weeks 10 and 11	Cultural aspects and customs; Review of HSK 1 grammar points and 150 HSK vocabularies
Week 12	Review and simulation of the HSK level 1 exam

Calendar

In-class sessions in physical presence. Students unable to be in class may be connected via BBoard. All the in-class sessions are recorded.

Date	Time	Room	Lesson in person with groups by student ID number
Tuesday 8 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even and Odd
Thursday 10 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 15 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even
Thursday 17 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Tuesday 22 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Odd
Thursday 24 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 29 September 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even



Thursday 1 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Tuesday 6 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Odd
Thursday 8 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 13 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even
Thursday 15 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Thursday 29 October 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 3 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even
Thursday 5 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Tuesday 10 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Odd
Thursday 12 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 17 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even
Thursday 19 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Tuesday 24 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Odd
Thursday 26 November 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Odd
Tuesday 1 December 2020	18:40-20:10	N10	Even
Thursday 3 December 2020	18:40-20:10	N18	Even
Saturday 5 December 2020	10:20-11:50	1	Even

Assigned Textbook

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

Recommended Readings

- Bulfoni C., Sun X.L., *Fondamenti di lingua cinese*, Egea, Milano, 2^a edizione, 2012
- Liu Xun, *New Practical Chinese Reader: Textbook 1*, 2nd Edition, Beijing language and culture university press, 2015
- Liu Xun, *New Practical Chinese Reader: workbook 1*, 2nd Edition, Beijing language and culture university press, 2010



Dictionary

Oxford Chinese Dictionary English-Chinese / Chinese-English, Oxford University Press;
1st edition, 2010

Conditions for issuing the attendance certificate

In order to obtain the certificate of attendance, it is required to attend in the course **at least 75% of the lessons**.

