LL314-30 Chinese 4 for language degree students

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Department
School of Modern Languages and Cultures
Level
Undergraduate Level 3
Module leader
Zhong Zheng
Credit value
30
Module duration
21 weeks
Assessment
50% coursework, 50% exam
Study location
University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

This module will be offered to students who already have a good knowledge of Chinese from 6 months or more intensive study or work in the native speaking countries, AS level or lower grades of IB or A level, or those who have completed Chinese 3 or equivalent levels. It will give students the opportunity to build upon previously learned knowledge and use more complex grammar and sentence patterns and some formal register on a wider range of social, study and work-related topics. Simplified Chinese characters will be taught and assessed.

Module web page

Module aims

To further develop linguistic and cultural competence in using Chinese in various social and study/work-related contexts
To understand ideas in complex texts
To produce text on topics on a wider range of topics
To reach B2 standard of the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference)

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Communicative functions and grammar contents based on the textbooks used.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Increase their intercultural knowledge and understanding of contemporary Chinese society
- Develop their oral fluency and spontaneity interacting with native speakers in familiar contexts
- Gather information from near authentic audio and textual materials of a variety of informal and some formal genres
- Produce reasonably longer essays on both social and study/work related topics, using simplified characters
- Conduct and present independent research into one area of culture

Indicative reading list

Reading lists can be found in Talis

International

All modules delivered in SMLC are necessarily international. Students engage with themes and ideas from a culture other than that of the UK and employ their linguistic skills in the analysis of primary materials from a non-Anglophone context. Students will also be encouraged to draw on the experiences of visiting exchange students in the classroom and will frequently engage with theoretical and critical frameworks from across the world.

Subject specific skills

This module will develop students' linguistic skills through engaging with primary materials in the target language.
Strategies for understanding gist and specific information
Intercultural competence
Strategies to communicate effectively both in writing and orally in Chinese

Transferable skills

Communication skills: writing and oral presentation, defending one's point of view.
Intellectual skills: critical thinking, analysis.
Organisational skills: independent work, time management.

Interpersonal skills: flexibility, adaptability and the ability to work with others.
Digital skills

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Supervised practical classes	21 sessions of 5 hours (35%)
Private study	166 hours (55%)
Assessment	29 hours (10%)
Total	300 hours

Private study description

work set on Moodle and homework set by tutor

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group C

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Assessment component			
Interim Test	10%	1 hour	No

Interim Test
The duration is indicative and depends on specific arrangements.

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Reading test	20%	1 hour	No

Reading test
The duration is indicative and depends on specific arrangements.

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

Writing test	20%	1 hour	No

Writing test
The duration is indicative and depends on specific arrangements.

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

Speaking test	35%	1 hour	No

Speaking test
The duration is indicative and depends on specific arrangements.

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

Independent research	15%	25 hours	No

Presentation with discussion/debate

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

Feedback will be provided in the course of the module in a number of ways. Verbal feedback is provided to the class regarding regular formative tasks set for homework and activities completed in class; individual written feedback is also provided for written work which has been handed in by students. Feedback is also provided orally and in writing on practice test papers.

Past exam papers for LL314

Availability

Courses

This module is Core for:

- Year 4 of UFRA-R900 Undergraduate Modern Languages

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 4 of UHPA-R4T1 Undergraduate Hispanic Studies with Chinese
- Year 3 of UETA-Q1T1 Undergraduate Linguistics with Chinese
- Year 4 of UETA-Q1A7 Undergraduate Linguistics with Chinese (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 4 of UFRA-R900 Undergraduate Modern Languages
- Year 3 of UFRA-R903 Undergraduate Modern Languages (3 year)
- Year 1 of UPOA-M169 Undergraduate Politics and International Studies with Chinese (3 year)

This module is Core option list A for:

- Year 3 of UHPA-R4T3 Undergraduate Hispanic Studies with Chinese (3-year)
- Year 4 of UPOA-M168 Undergraduate Politics and International Studies with Chinese

This module is Core option list C for:

- Year 4 of ULNA-R9L1 Undergraduate Modern Languages and Economics (4-year)

This module is Core option list G for:

- Year 4 of ULNA-R2A0 Undergraduate German with Chinese