CORE 1414 Chinese Reading and Writing for Non-Chinese Language Background Students I

1. Course Information

CORE 1414 is a three-credit, one semester core course offered to non-Chinese language background students who have learned Chinese for less than 50 tuition hours. Students attend three hours of class and complete up to six hours of out-of-class work, per week. The course is offered in Fall and Spring semesters. It aims to equip students with Chinese reading and writing skills for daily and social purposes through a range of familiar topics.

2.Pre-requisites and co-requisites

N/A

3. Aims of the course: Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) and Subcompetencies

Broad Competencies	Sub-Competency	Corse Intended Learning Outcome (CILOs)			
Communication	CM01 Language accuracy and form	CILO1 Acquire basic knowledge of Chinese characters (including the basic stroke, stroke order and the basic radicals).			
	CM02 Language meaning	CILO2 Recognize characters and write the most commonly used Chinese characters, and input Chinese characters with the help of Chinese computer applications. CILO3 Understand specific information			

	CM03 Language use	from introductory and narrative texts related to daily and social contexts. CILO4 Use simple sentences to introduce basic information closely related to personal life and study.
Social Responsibility	SR03 Cultural awareness	CILO5 Demonstrate awareness of Chinese Culture.

4.Course assessment

Assessment Task	Assessment Content		Proportion of Final Grade (%)	CILO	Sub- competency
In-class	In-class test	 Chinese Character Recognition Reading Task Writing Task 	30%	CILO-1, CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	CM01, CM02
tests	In-class test	 Reading Task Writing Task 	40%	CILO-1, CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4, CILO-5	CM01, CM02, SR03
Online Written Assignments	Written assignment I	Chinese Character Writing	10%	CILO-1	CM01
	Written assignment II	Reading Exercises	10%	CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4, CILO-5	CM01, CM02, SR03
	Written assignment III	Short Paragraph Writing	5%	CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	CM01, CM02
	Written assignment IV	Short Paragraph Writing	5%	CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	CM01, CM02

5.Course content

Week	Topics	
1	Chinese Character Introduction	
2	Self-Introduction	
3	Identity	
4	Describing Appearances	
5	Number and Address	
6	Time and Date	
7	Assessment 1	
8	Daily Schedule	
9	Shopping	
10	Dinning	
11	Direction and Transportation	
12	Hobbies	
13	Assessment 2	

6. Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend 80% of all classes, and if you fail to meet the attendance requirement, final letter grade will be reduced (e.g. from B+ to B).