

Cantonese

for HKUST Students, Fall 2026

THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER FOR LANGUAGE EDUCATION

The Center for Language Education is offering Cantonese courses for students in Fall 2026. Whether you are new to Hong Kong or have been part of the HKUST family for a while, if you want to have a faster integration into the local culture, please come and join us! Speaking Cantonese will surely make you feel more at home and help you explore the multiple facets of Hong Kong culture.

COURSES OFFERED

Cantonese for Chinese Background Learners (Level 1)

Course schedule: **T01** Tue & Thu 12:00 pm – 1:20 pm (15 Sep – 24 Nov 2026)

Prerequisite: Learners must be able to read Chinese

Mediums of Instruction: Cantonese and Putonghua

Cantonese for English Background Learners (Level 1)

Course schedule: **T01** Wed & Fri 10:30 am – 11:50 am (16 Sep – 20 Nov 2026)

Prerequisite: None

Mediums of Instruction: Cantonese and English

COURSE DETAILS

No. of contact hours: 30 (excluding Public Holidays)

Mode of teaching: Face to face

Deposit: \$700
[\$500 refundable upon successful completion of the course,
i.e. 80% attendance]

Class size: 26

Venue: To be confirmed

Registration:

1. The CLE online registration system will be open from **9:00 am on 1 September 2026**. Places will be allocated on a **first-come-first-served** basis.
2. Fill in an **online registration form**: <https://register.cle.ust.hk/cantonese/>.
3. Students are required to log in with **their own HKUST student account** when registering for the course. Registration on behalf of others is not allowed. Students signing up for more than one Cantonese course will NOT be refunded.
4. Pay a deposit [\$700] by Visa/Master credit cards. After successful payment, you will receive an instant message confirming your payment and completion of your registration.
5. Once a place is confirmed, your registration cannot be withdrawn. Your place and deposit paid are not transferable.
6. Students are required to attend at least 80% of the course in order to enjoy a partial refund of the deposit [\$500]. Refund will be arranged after completion of the course.
7. The Center for Language Education has the discretion over the allocation of places and the availability of the course.
8. Important Registration Date:
Online application: Opens at **9:00 am, 1 September 2026**
Places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis

We also offer **alternative 6-hour short-courses for beginners** who may prefer a shorter and more flexible learning format:

- **Cantonese for Basic Socializing & Daily Life** [To register: [\[LINK\]](#)]
- **Cantonese for Food Culture & Dining Out** [To register: [\[LINK\]](#)]

More Cantonese short course, workshops, and activities will be announced in October and November, so stay tuned.

For further details of Cantonese courses, please visit the [CLE course website](#).

*To know more about the differences between credit-bearing (LANG1130 and LANG1133) and non-credit-bearing Cantonese courses, **please click [here](#)**.*