



AP Chinese

General Information

Description

AP® Chinese is a rigorous academic course empowering students to demonstrate interpersonal, interpretive, cultural, communicative, and presentational competence in Mandarin Chinese in preparation for the AP Examination. The course fulfills AP®, ACFTL, and California World Language Content Standards for High School, covering the content, communication, structures, and settings of Mandarin Chinese. Chinese characters currently may either be written in the simplified (简体) or the traditional system (繁体). The simplified system is used in Mainland China, while the traditional style is used in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and overseas Chinatowns. For AP Chinese, students can choose to use either traditional or simplified Chinese characters.

Expectations and Goals

The objective of this course is to equip students with four skills in speaking and listening in Mandarin and reading and writing in Chinese. We focus on typing, reading and writing skills. We cover more usage and grammar instruction, and exercises that focus on 4 skills.

Estimated Homework

- Students are expected to spend at least an average of approximately 100 minutes outside the class on homework and review of notes and book content for each week.
- Students are expected to participate actively as individuals in class and collaborate in groups.
- This is a general guideline for planning and scheduling purposes. A student's individual ability level and competency may affect the actual preparation times needed.

This Class Is Best For...

For students who have received C or better in Chinese 4 and have passions in mastering the Chinese language.

Grading Scale:

- A+ 98% - 100% A 92% - 97% A- 90% - 91%
- B+ 88% - 89% B 82% - 87% B- 80% - 81%
- C+ 78% - 79% C 72% - 77% C- 70% - 71%
- D+ 68% - 69% D 62% - 67% D- 60% - 61%
- F 0% - 59%

Course Materials

Required Materials

Integrated Chinese