

## CHINESE (CHIN)

**What does it mean to study Cantonese?** The study of Cantonese involves learning the words and rules of the language with the purpose of acquiring them with accuracy and using them to communicate with Cantonese speakers worldwide.

**Why study Cantonese?** The Cantonese Program at COA provides courses that satisfy Foreign Language requirements at 4-year colleges and universities, provides marketable foreign language skills and offers cultural enrichment. This will empower students to:

- Communicate with native speakers at home and worldwide
- Increase employment potential
- Improve memory and cognitive skills
- Enhance travel worldwide
- Become more aware of cultural identities

Beyond acquisition, learning languages can help us to see the world from a different perspective and to understand who we all are as human beings.

### Cantonese Program Learning Outcomes:

#### I. Grammatical Proficiency

Speak, write and comprehend Cantonese with accuracy as students advance through the course levels.

#### II. Language Skill Application

Understand and communicate with native speakers in Cantonese with cultural fluency through the progressive skill levels and in conjunction with course content.

#### III. Cultural Knowledge

Demonstrate cultural and historical understanding of the societies associated with Cantonese as students advance through the course levels.

### CHIN 9A

#### Spoken and Written Cantonese

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: 3 years of high school study of the Chinese language or equivalent

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Pre-elementary Cantonese enabling skills in: understanding, listening, reading, and writing simple Cantonese Chinese; Acquaintance with culture; Focus on differences between spoken and written forms of Cantonese. 1107.00

### CHIN 9B

#### Spoken and Written Cantonese

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR or P/NP)

Prerequisite: Chin 9A

Acceptable for credit: CSU

Continuation of pre-elementary Cantonese strengthening skills in: understanding, listening, reading, and writing simple Cantonese Chinese; Appreciation of Chinese culture; Focus on differences between spoken and written forms of Cantonese. 1107.00

### CHIN 10A

#### Elementary Cantonese A

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Course is equivalent to two years of high school study.

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Introductory study and practice of basic language skills and related Chinese cultural contexts: Basic vocabulary and structures in cultural contexts. 1107.00

AA/AS area 3; CSU area C2; IGETC UC Language

### CHIN 10B

#### Elementary Cantonese B

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 10A

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Continuation of CHIN 10A with further study and practice of basic language skills and related Chinese cultural contexts: Grammar and vocabulary building. 1107.00

AA/AS area 3; CSU area C2; IGETC area 3B; IGETC UC Language

### CHIN 11A

#### Intermediate Cantonese A

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 10B

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Intermediate level study and practice of all basic language skills: Grammar and vocabulary building, exploration of Cantonese structure, and growth in cultural understanding. 1107.00

AA/AS area 3; CSU area C2; IGETC area 3B; IGETC UC Language

**CHIN 11B****Intermediate Cantonese B**

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 11A

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Continuation of CHIN 11B with further study and practice of all basic language skills: Grammar, vocabulary building, language structure and use, and further knowledge of cultural understanding and appreciation. 1107.00

AA/AS area 3; CSU area C2; IGETC area 3B; IGETC UC Language

**CHIN 12A****Advanced Cantonese Reading and Writing: Modern and Classical Literature**

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 11B

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Introduction to modern and classical poems and other literary forms such as novels, prose, drama and songs: Literary-cultural analysis, theories of literary writing and styles, and writing skills; exploration of Chinese history and art. 1107.00

AA/AS area 3; CSU area C2; IGETC area 3B; IGETC UC Language

**CHIN 12B****Advanced Cantonese Reading and Writing: Modern and Classical Literature**

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 12A

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Continuation of modern and classical poems and other literary forms such as novels, prose, drama, and song: Literary-cultural analysis, theories of literary writing and styles, and reading and writing skills; exploration of Chinese history and art. 1107.00

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**CHIN 30A****Conversational Cantonese A**

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 10B or 3 years of high school study or equivalent

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Introduction to conversational Cantonese: Listening, speaking and grammar skills; systematic practice of everyday topics of conversation; enhancement of cultural awareness. 1107.00

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**CHIN 30B****Conversational Cantonese B**

5 units, 5 hours lecture (GR)

Prerequisite: Chin 30A

Acceptable for credit: CSU, UC

Continuation of CHIN 30A: Further development of oral comprehension skills as well as additional growth in cultural awareness. 1107.00

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