

## The Department of Modern Languages The Minor in Chinese Studies

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### Required total units: 57-60

### Prerequisites

Intermediate-level proficiency in the Chinese language. This is equivalent to the completion of three courses (two at the 100-level and one at the 200-level), or placement or exemption based on Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or CMU internal placement test scores. In all cases, progress will be accelerated by study abroad, which is highly recommended for all minors. Students with native or near-native proficiency in listening and speaking of the language prior to entering CMU should consult with the minor advisors for a different curriculum that may accelerate their completion of the requirement.

*\*Students may double count one course taken for the Chinese Studies minor that is also being used to fulfill the requirements of other majors, minors, and programs. This does not include double-counting with General Education requirements.*

### 1. Core Courses in Chinese

**36-39 units**

Complete four courses.

82-232\* Intermediate Chinese II (may be substituted by 82-235 or a 300-level Chinese course)

82-331 Reading into a New China I: Population, Youth, Marriage, & Housing

82-332 Reading into a New China II: Transportation, Education, Pop Culture, & Health

82-333 Chinese Language & Culture

\*Students who place out of 82-232/82-235 must take a minimum of 9 additional units chosen from List A electives.

### 2. Chinese Studies and Interdisciplinary Electives

**18 units**

Complete two courses (18 units) from List A, or one course (9 units) from List A and one (9 units) from List B.

### List A. Chinese Studies Electives

82-235\* Fables, Legends and Stories from Ancient Chinese Civilization

82-334 Structure of Chinese

82-335 Selected Readings in Chinese

82-337 Mandarin Chinese for Oral Communication I

82-338 Mandarin Chinese for Oral Communication II

82-339 Business Language and Culture in China I

82-340 Business Language and Culture in China II

82-431 China and West

82-432\*\* Chinese Popular Culture

Past Topics: A Game of Learning

82-433\*\* Topics in Contemporary Culture of China

82-434\*\* Studies in Chinese Traditions

Past Topics: Traditional Chinese Literature and Thought through Comic Books

82-436 Introduction to Classical Chinese

82-440\*\* Studies in Chinese Literature & Culture

Past Topics: Chinese Folk Performances

Into the World of Anomalies

82-531/532\*\*\* Special Topics in Chinese (Independent studies)

82-505 Undergraduate Internship

82-533\*\* Special Topics: Chinese Culture

Past Topics: Chinese Wisdoms  
Visions of China

\* If students choose this course as one of the Chinese Studies Electives, then they must choose a course from List A and cannot choose a course from List B as the other elective.

\*\*Students may repeat these courses with new topics.

\*\*\*Students should not choose this option if there are other ways to fulfill their elective requirements

### List B. Interdisciplinary Electives

This list is compiled from possibilities such as but not limited to the following. Students should consult OLR and their minor advisor for the most up to date interdisciplinary electives appropriate for the Chinese Studies curriculum. **Course must have a Chinese component in order to be considered as Chinese Studies major/minor electives.** Courses may be suggested to the minor advisor for approval as a substitute. Note that not all courses are offered each semester.

#### Architecture

48-351 Human Factors in architecture  
48-551 Ethics and Decision Making in Architecture

#### Art

60-373 Aesthetics from a Global Viewpoint  
60-399 Art History/Theory Independent Study

#### Business Administration

70-342 Managing across Cultures  
70-365 International Trade and International Law  
70-430 International Management

#### English

76-318 Communicating in the Global Marketplace  
76-339 Topics in Film and Media  
76-386 Language & Culture  
76-387 Writing in the Disciplines

#### History

79-261 The Last Emperors: Chinese History and Society, 1600-1900  
79-262 Modern China: From the Birth of Mao....to Now  
79-309 20th Century China through Film

#### Modern Languages

82-137 Chinese Calligraphy: Culture and Skills  
82-138 Comparative China  
Past Topic: Perceptions through YouTube and TikTok  
82-230 Topics in Cultural Comparison  
Past Topic: The Great Divergence Debate in Chinese Economic History  
82-234 Topics in Chinese History  
Past Topics: China in the Age of Reform: 1978-Present China and the West  
82-238 Topics in Chinese Culture  
  
Past Topic: Gender & Sexuality in China  
"Crazy" Linguistically Rich Asian Languages  
82-280 Bilingual & Bicultural Experiences in the US  
82-281 Contextual Thinking in Modern Languages  
82-282 Interpreting Global Texts & Cultures  
82-283 Language Diversity and Cultural Identity

- 82-284 Multi-Cultural Pittsburgh: Virtual Reality Storytelling
- 82-285 Podcasting: Language & Culture Through Storytelling
- 82-286 Understanding Cultural Complexities
- 82-287 Multicultural Immersion: Relating Your World in Virtual Reality
- 82-358 Literacies Across Language and Culture
- 82-383 Second Language Acquisition: Theories and Research
- 82-388 Topics in Second Language Acquisition
- 82-480 Translation Technologies

#### **Institute for Security and Technology**

- 84-405 The Future of Warfare
- 84-310 International Political Economy
- 84-326 Theories of International Relations
- 84-362 Diplomacy and Statecraft
- 84-369 Decision Science for International Relations
- 84-370 Nuclear Security & Arms Control
- 84-380 Grand Strategy in the United States
- 84-388 Concepts of War and Cyber War
- 84-405 The Future of Warfare

#### **Philosophy**

- 80-180 The Nature of Language
- 80-276 Philosophy of Religion
- 80-280 Linguistic Analysis
- 80-380 Philosophy of Language

#### **Psychology**

- 85-375 Cross Cultural Psychology
- 85-421 Language and Thought

#### **Social and Decision Sciences**

- 88-310 International Political Economy
- 88-326 Theories of International Relations
- 88-357 Comparative Foreign Policy: China, Russia and the US
- 88-362 Diplomacy and Statecraft
- 88-380 Dynamic Decisions
- 88-384 Conflict and Conflict Resolution in International Relations
- 88-391 Technology and Economic Growth
- 88-411 The Rise of the Asian Economies
- 88-415 Science and Innovation Leadership for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Firms, Nations, and Tech