

Minnesota State University Moorhead

CHIN 132: Introduction to Chinese Culture

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 07 - Human Diversity

An introduction to the major aspects of Chinese culture from ancient times to the present. Topics include language, folklore, festivals, philosophy, religion, family, education, literature and daily life. Lecture, discussion, readings, and films in English. Applicable toward East Asian Studies major and minor. MnTC Goal 7.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 06/01/1995 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Geography and Administrative units.
2. Chinese writing and calligraphy.
3. Chinese philosophy and religion.
4. Chinese festivals.
5. Chinese food.
6. Chinese medicine.
7. General Chinese history and literature (1500 BC-1644AD).
8. The Great Wall and Terracotta Army.
9. Chinese classical novels.
10. Chinese music and musical instruments.
11. Chinese Buddhism.
12. Chinese poetry and painting.
13. Chinese martial arts.
14. Chinese ancient capitals and great cities.
15. Chinese examination and education systems.
16. Chinese wedding.
17. Chinese opera.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Students will be able to summarize significant cultural practices and groups of people in China and/or the Chinese diaspora.
2. Students will be able to identify relationships between historical events and cultural norms in China and among the Chinese diaspora populations.
3. Students will be able to analyze cultural, political, social norms and rituals in China and the Chinese diaspora populations.
4. Students will be able to identify and analyze evidence and viewpoints of Chinese philosophers and cultural, political, and social systems in China and among Chinese diaspora populations.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 07 - Human Diversity

1. No Competencies Indicated

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted