

EAST 330D SECOND LEVEL CHINESE (2024-2025)

Day & Time	MTWRF 11:35-12:25	Location	
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Office Location		Office Hours	Friday, 13:30-14:30 or by appointment (email)
Required Texts	New Practical Chinese Reader Book II and Book III (lesson 21-38): textbook, workbook, and CDs (McGill Bookstore)		

COURSE INFORMATION

Prerequisite: EAST 230D.

Course Overview (e-calendar) :

The same communicative approach as in EAST 230 is used to develop aural and oral skills on daily topics. In addition to textbooks, Chinese films will be incorporated as teaching materials.

Course Description (9 Credits):

Building upon the foundational skills acquired in First Level Chinese, this course delves into more advanced grammatical structures, an expanded vocabulary, and approximately 400 additional Chinese characters. Students will engage in intensive practice across conversation, comprehension, reading, and writing. By the end of the course, students will be equipped to handle daily conversations with greater ease and demonstrate proficiency in fundamental grammatical structures used in modern Chinese.

Note: This is a full year D course. Students must register for both EAST 330D1 and EAST 330D2.

EVALUATION

Class Participation	10%	Active participation is expected from all students. Students should arrive on time and remain for the entire class period. Any student arriving more than 10 minutes late or leaving early without prior permission will not receive participation points for that session. Electronic devices may only be used with the instructor's permission. Unauthorized use of cellphones during class will result in a participation score of zero.
Homework	10%	Homework, consisting of workbook exercises, must be completed independently. Homework should be submitted in person within the first 10 minutes of the class start time on the due date. Late homework will be reviewed but will not receive any points.
Dictations	20%	Students will take a weekly dictation test where they listen to Chinese sentences and write them in Chinese characters. Please note that no makeup dictations will be allowed. The lowest score in this category will be dropped.
Written Tests	25%	Two written tests will be administered each term, covering vocabulary, grammar points, and sentence structures. Detailed instructions will be provided before each test. Makeup tests will be permitted only for excused absences.
Oral Test	10%	There will be one oral test each term, evaluated on grammatical accuracy, comprehension, pronunciation, and fluency. Students will read a short paragraph aloud, listen to questions, and respond in Chinese with complete sentences. Detailed instructions will be provided in advance. Makeup oral tests will be permitted only for excused absences.
Final Exam	25%	The final exam is a formal cumulative written examination, scheduled during the exam period in winter 2025. Makeup exams will be offered only for excused absences.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Make-up test/ exam

If you miss a written test, oral test, or final examination due to unforeseen circumstances beyond your control (such as a serious illness or severe injury), you may be eligible to take it at a later date.

- Step 1: Email the instructor BEFORE the test/exam begins to explain your situation and request a make-up.
- Step 2: Provide a medical note or other supporting documentation for your request.
- Step 3: If approved, the make-up test/exam must be completed within five days of the missed test/exam. Failure to do so will result in a grade of 0.

2. Class Preparation

Students are expected to prepare for each class in advance to actively participate in discussions.

3. Extra Work

Extra work will not be assigned to improve grades.

4. MyCourses

Class materials, homework, and grades will be regularly updated and posted on MyCourses.

5. Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools

The use of generative artificial intelligence tools or apps for homework and oral presentation in this course is prohibited.

6. Extraordinary Circumstances

In the event of extraordinary circumstances beyond the control of McGill University, assessment tasks in a course are subject to change, provided students are sent adequate and timely communications regarding the change.

MCGILL POLICY STATEMENTS

Language of submission

“In accord with McGill University’s Charter of Students’ Rights, students in this course have the right to submit in English or in French written work that is to be graded. This does not apply to courses in which acquiring proficiency in a language is one of the objectives.” (Approved by Senate on 21 January 2009)

Conformément à la Charte des droits de l’étudiant de l’Université McGill, chaque étudiant a le droit de soumettre en français ou en anglais tout travail écrit devant être noté, sauf dans le cas des cours dont l’un des objets est la maîtrise d’une langue. » (Énoncé approuvé par le Sénat le 21 janvier 2009)

Academic integrity

“McGill University values academic integrity. Therefore, all students must understand the meaning and consequences of cheating, plagiarism and other academic offences under the Code of Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures” (Approved by Senate on 29 January 2003) (See McGill’s guide to academic honesty for more information).

L’université McGill attache une haute importance à l’honnêteté académique. Il incombe par conséquent à tous les étudiants de comprendre ce que l’on entend par tricherie, plagiat et autres infractions académiques, ainsi que les conséquences que peuvent avoir de telles actions, selon le Code de conduite de l’étudiant et procédures disciplinaires. » (Énoncé approuvé par le Sénat le 29 janvier 2003) (pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez consulter le guide pour l’honnêteté académique de McGill.)