

EAST 530D FOURTH LEVEL CHINESE (2024-2025)

Day & Time	MWF 12:35-13:25	Location	
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Office Location		Office Hours	Friday, 13:30-14:30 or by appointment (email)
Required Texts	Selected lessons from <i>Hanyu Yuedu Jiaocheng</i> 汉语阅读教程, Vol. 3 (McGill Bookstore) and various chosen articles		

COURSE INFORMATION

Prerequisite: EAST 430D.

Course Overview:

Development of skills required to conduct academic discussions in oral as well as in written forms. Teaching materials include original texts from Chinese newspapers, Chinese literature and videos.

Course Description (6 Credits):

This course is designed to enhance students' language skills in speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Through selected readings, class discussions, interactive activities, and audio-visual presentations, students will engage with topics related to political, economic, social, and cultural issues. By the end of the course, students should be capable of reading and understanding some newspaper articles and selected literary works.

Note: This is a full year D course. Students must register for both EAST 530D1 and EAST 530D2.

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 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 textbook 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.
Quizzes	20%	There will be a quiz at the end of each lesson, covering vocabulary, text content, and grammar points. Detailed instructions will be provided in advance. No makeup quizzes will be permitted. The lowest quiz score will be dropped.
Written Exams	40%	Three written exams will be administered each term, testing vocabulary, sentence structures, and grammar points. Detailed instructions will be given prior to each exam. Makeup exams will be permitted only for excused absences.
Oral Presentation	20%	One oral presentation is required each term. Evaluations will focus on grammatical accuracy, content, pronunciation, and fluency. Detailed instructions will be provided in advance. Makeup oral presentations will be permitted only for excused absences.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Make-up test/ exam

If you miss a written 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 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 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.)