In order to ensure you maximise your Chinese language learning, as well as others’, we have put in place in this document a placement procedure for all prospective students. This placement document with the self-evaluation quiz is also available at RMIT website: Chinese language studies

General Rules:
- If you have never attempted any Chinese language learning, you can enrol into Chinese 1 now.
- If you have completed Chinese courses at RMIT before, you are automatically eligible for the next higher level. For instance if you have done Chinese 1 in RMIT, you can enrol in Chinese 2.
- Students who have completed Year 12 Chinese commonly can enrol in Chinese 3, 4 or 5, depending on your actual level of Chinese proficiency you have achieved.
- Students who have advanced level of Chinese proficiency (native or near-native level) should enrol in Chinese 7, Chinese 8, Chinese through Drama or Chinese for Professional Communication.

Students with prior knowledge of Chinese should make an appointment with the Chinese course coordinator by emailing lynne.li@rmit.edu.au for an interview to ascertain your level before you enrol. Alternatively, you can go through the self-evaluation quiz on the next page to confirm a suitable level for your enrolment. If you can attempt half of the questions of a certain level of the evaluation quiz, you can enrol into the next higher level. For instance, if you can read and write 50% of the sentence patterns in Chinese 1, you can enrol into Chinese 2.

You can also refer to the prescribed textbooks to further confirm your evaluation. All Chinese 1 – 6 use the textbook: New Practical Chinese Reader Textbook and Workbook (2nd edition, with mp3, 2010). They are available in RMIT library and RMIT bookshop.

Chinese 1 - 6 are for learners at beginning to intermediate level of Chinese proficiency; their prescribed learning content is set below:

Students at advanced level of Chinese proficiency, including near-native and native speakers of Chinese, should choose Chinese 7 – 10 (please note: 你可以从任何一个课程读起; 例如你可以先读 Chinese 8, 后读 Chinese 7; 或者先读 Chinese 8, 再读 Chinese 7; 你也可以同时选读任何两门或三门课程):
- Chinese Language in Society (Chinese 7) and Chinese Language in Context (Chinese 8): these two courses aim at learning Chinese through Chinese-English two-way translation and interpreting. Chinese 7 focuses more on news and media communication, and Chinese 8 more on business and trade.
- Chinese through Drama (Chinese 9): this course is about learning Chinese through compiling a drama in Chinese and putting it up on stage.
- Chinese for Professional Communication (Chinese 10): this course is about developing capabilities to communicate effectively and professionally in Chinese language in a wide range of social-cultural and professional contexts.

In the first week of class, we shall conduct a 20-minute placement test which all students enrolled into Chinese courses must attend. As a result of the placement test, if you are advised by the class teacher to change levels, you must change your enrolment online within the first week of class in order to avoid financial penalty: add one course and drop the other.

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