

MANDARIN EDUCATION FOR ADULTS

APR–JUN 2024 COURSE SCHEDULE | CONTINUING STUDIES | www.langara.ca/cs/mandarin-school

* A 15% discount will be applied to registrations for those who have completed three or more Adult Mandarin Courses (via phone enrollment only).

* There will be no classes running during Victoria (May 18-20) long weekends unless otherwise noted.

Adult Mandarin – Level 1

\$275

This beginners' course starts with an introduction of the Pinyin system, a tool for mastering the pronunciation of Chinese words. The next lessons present a variety of situations which students may encounter in their everyday lives, including meeting people, asking about jobs, talking about hobbies and favorite cuisines, and chatting about weather and activities.

The lessons focus on demonstrating how Chinese speakers should interact in each context. Vocabulary and grammatical structures are carefully chosen to facilitate communication. Classroom interaction exercises operationalize learnings, and supplementary words or phrases equip students with the necessary resources to express themselves. Through reading cultural notes, students gain a better understanding of Chinese customs and language. The task-based homework exercises help students practice the skills needed in different social settings.

50247	SAT	06 APR-15 JUN	0930-1200
50248	TUE	09 APR-11 JUN	1830-2100
50249	THU	11 APR-13 JUN	1830-2100

Adult Mandarin – Level 2

\$275

This Level 2 course provides scenarios set in a wide range of locations where students are likely to use Chinese. These settings include the clinic, the airline counter, their college or language school, a Chinese supermarket, a Canadian clothing store, and during a rental home viewing. Content-based vocabularies are tailored for each location and scenario. Grammar sections focus on basic expressions; words and structures that are unique to Chinese also make appearances in this level. During interactive classroom exercises, students are asked to role-play scenarios which follow real life closely. In a series of brief sections on culture, students gain deeper insights on common Chinese words. Weekly homework exercises apply classroom learning to everyday situations students may encounter.

50250	SAT	06 APR-15 JUN	0930-1200
50251	TUE	09 APR-11 JUN	1830-2100

Adult Mandarin – Level 3

\$275

Lessons in this level begin to introduce presentations alongside conversation in the classroom. With a solid foundation from past levels, this class will acquaint students with a narrative style of speech when sketching persons and scenarios. At the same time, conversations for each lesson reflect the community life we all experience, such as volunteering, raising children, attending community-wide activities, having a yard sale, and adhering to local bylaws. The narrations demonstrate standard elements of writing, whereas conversations focus on interacting in an agreeable and culturally sensitive manner. Vocabulary at this level becomes more complex, with more contextual implications. Students will have opportunities to practice spoken Chinese in each lesson, including oral presentations and role-play.

50252	TUE	09 APR-11 JUN	1830-2100
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Adult Mandarin – Level 5

\$275

Level 5 showcases the vibrant tapestry of Canada's multicultural society as experienced in the everyday lives of its people. The texts depict various situations where Canadians are likely to interact with Mandarin speakers. These lessons provide insight into diverse interactions, such as becoming a host family to international students, enrolling new immigrants in schools, and renting houses to newcomers. Each lesson provides a bank of extensive vocabulary related to the topic, allowing students to articulate their own experiences and engage in meaningful conversations. Advanced grammar is introduced to facilitate complex sentence structures and expressions of ideas with eloquence. Through interactive role plays and presentations, students can put their newfound vocabulary and grammar skills into practice, ensuring a deeper understanding of the content. Additional sections on supplementary words and relevant expressions extend learning beyond the classroom. The attached readings provide unique perspectives on the cities we call home.

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THU

11 APR- 13 JUN

1830-2100

Adult Mandarin – Level 7

\$275

This course is for students with a range of vocabulary and good conversation skills, as the instructor will converse in Mandarin only. Through a series of essays and other activities, students expand their ability to read Chinese as well as improving verbal expression.

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WED

10 APR-12 JUN

1830-2100 (Online)

Adult Mandarin – Level 8

\$275

This course is for students with good conversation skills and basic reading and writing ability. This in-depth study of selected readings includes well-known Chinese poetry, common expressions, and idioms. Students participate in composing short essays and presentations.

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SAT

06 APR-15 JUN

0930-1200

Learn more: rlouie@langara.ca

How to Register

*Office hours: Monday to Thursday 9am~4:30pm, Friday 9am~4pm, Saturday and Sunday closed.



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