

CHIN 20300 1, CHIN 34300 1 - Intermediate Modern Chinese III - Instructor(s) - Xiaorong Wang

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

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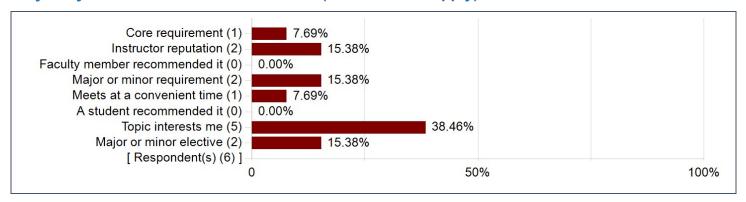
Report Comments

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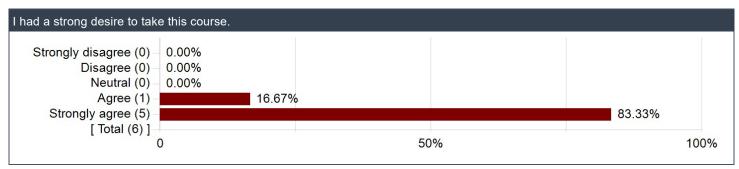
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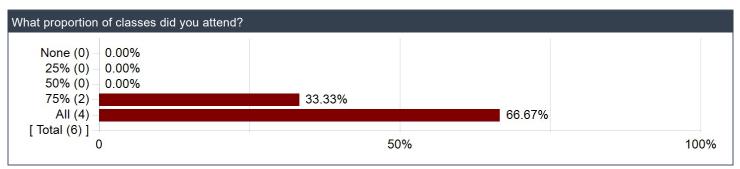
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



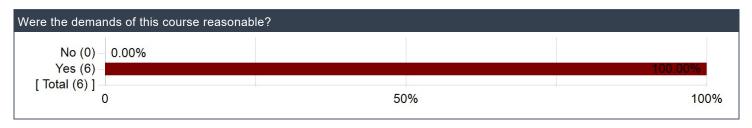
I had a strong desire to take this course.



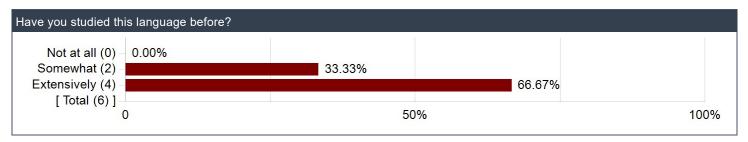
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



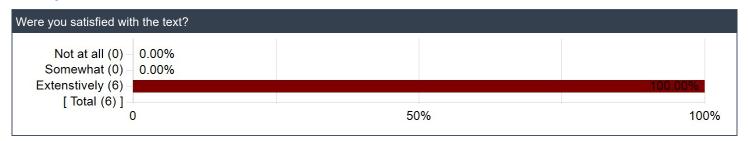
Have you studied this language before?



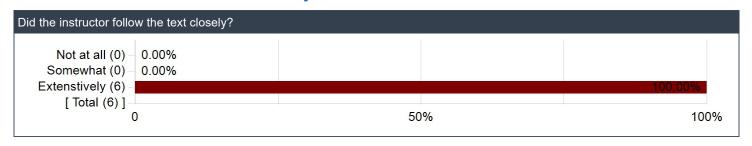
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	5.17	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
Spelling	3.67	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%
Reading	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%	16.67%
Writing	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%
Grammar	4.33	5.00	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	50.00%	16.67%
Vocabulary	5.33	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%

Were you satisfied with the text?



Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

Comments

The lessons were structured around the readings in the text, topicwise. In class we would summarize some of the reading then the teacher picked out phrases or grammar that we would dive deeper into.

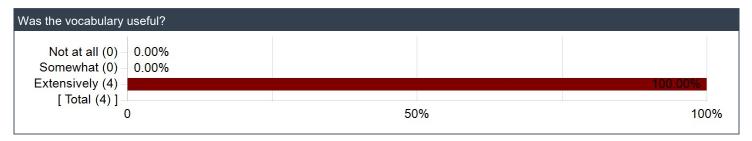
Classes and homework were structured around the textbook/workbook.

Used the textbook well! I don't mean to say she overused the textbook; she also gave us interesting supplemental tasks.

Followed the textbook very well. Allowed the students to know what to expect and study appropriately.

The lectures followed the text and she would explain different vocab or grammar patterns as they appeared in the textbook dialogue.

Was the vocabulary useful?



Why?

Comments

The vocabulary was instrumental to describing oneself and the world around us in a more professional manner, and often were applicable to more than one situation.

Lots of useful general vocabulary, with a mix of more specific vocabulary

Quite likely to be applicable in the near future in a professional context. Some of it did feel quite specific sometimes.

Vocabulary learned through the course much more useful than what I've learned in the past. Topics covered include Environmental Protection, Wealth Management, Job interviews etc

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

Comments

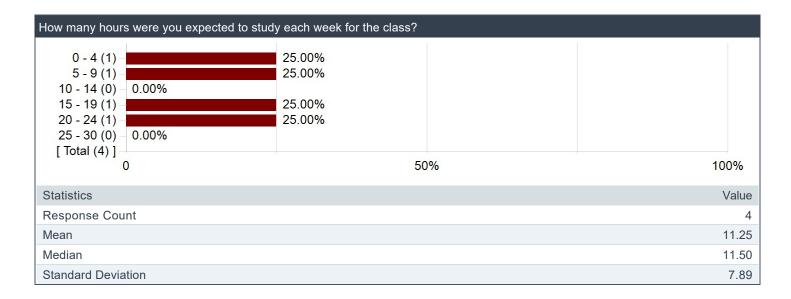
We would begin the day with a short written quiz about summarizing the reading for the day. During this period we would make small talk in Chinese. Then we began by reading out together some of the assigned text, then examine particular words or grammar structures, practicing using them in sentences or conversation with the class or in partners.

Review of the grammar and words with pair speaking practice. Very productive for engaging all aspects of the language

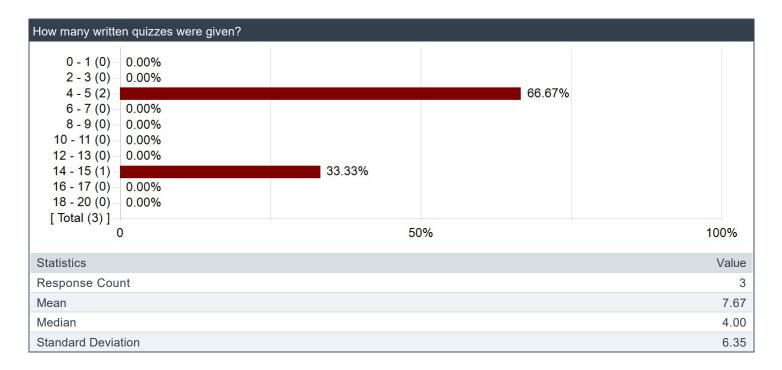
Teaching with engaging slideshow presentation and regular time to speak and discuss with partners.

I found that lectures were somewhat helpful. Most helpful aspects of the course were applying vocab to oral tests.

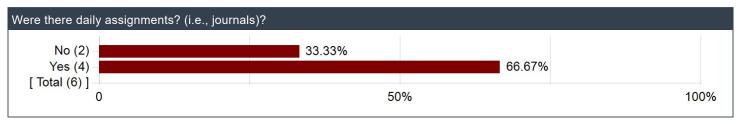
Lecture–style where she would walk us through the textbook dialogue and grammar, but have us practice speaking in class. We were also expected to speak mostly Chinese and she would help correct our grammar when necessary. Sometimes, she also incorporated short videos (with Chinese captions) as mini listening and reading practices, and to add more engagement with course materials.

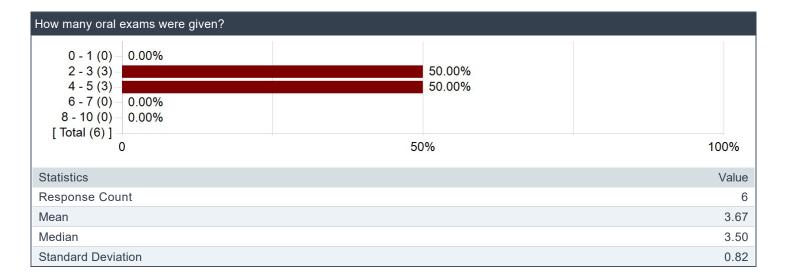


How many hours did you sp	pend?			
0 - 4 (2) - 5 - 9 (1) - 10 - 14 (1) - 15 - 19 (1) - 20 - 24 (1) - 25 - 30 (0) - [Total (6)]	16.67% 16.67% 16.67% 16.67%	33.33%		
0		50%	100	0%
Statistics			\	/alue
Response Count				6
Mean				9.83
Median				9.50
Standard Deviation				6.91

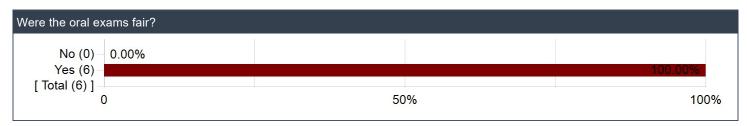


Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

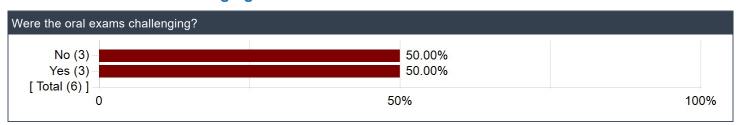




Were the oral exams fair?



Were the oral exams challenging?



Why? Please be specific.

Comments

we were encouraged to use vocab from the chapter and to memorize the script.

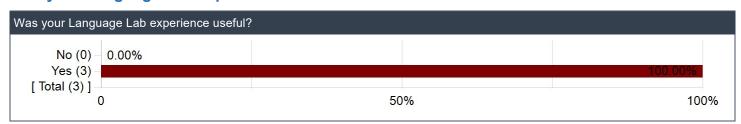
Relatively relaxed

The rubric set clear goals that were not super easy to hit, but certainly manageable with enough time spent and you were guaranteed a good grade if you hit all the requirements.

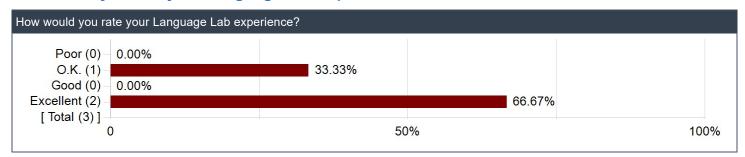
All of the oral exams were completed with a partner. She would give us a prompt and rules for how many vocab words we should use, but the skit could be anything as long as we followed the guidelines. Honestly, I thought they were kind of fun.

How many Language Lab hours were re	equired per week?	
0 (0) - 0.00% 1 (3) - 2 (0) - 0.00% 3 (0) - 0.00% 4 (0) - 0.00% 5 (0) - 0.00%		100.00%
[Total (3)] — 0	50%	100%
Statistics		Value
Response Count		3
Mean		1.00
Median		1.00
Standard Deviation		0.00

Was your Language Lab experience useful?



How would you rate your Language Lab experience?



Why? Please be specific

Comments

honestly my sessions were very short/we went through the content very quickly. it was good speaking practice in the moment but it was hard to learn new knowledge from the session.

Xavier was very nice. He also heavily encouraged confident speaking. I felt comfortable making mistakes with him.

If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

Comments

we watched a Chinese film, I think it contained enough vocab to connect with our chapters.

Required LA sessions were very useful, but no other required outside activities

LA Sessions. They helped reenforce the content from class and the textbooks.

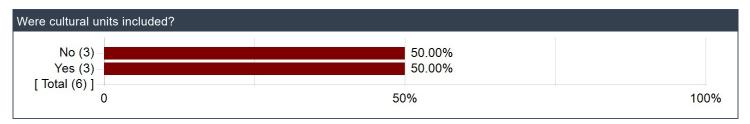
Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
4.33	5.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%

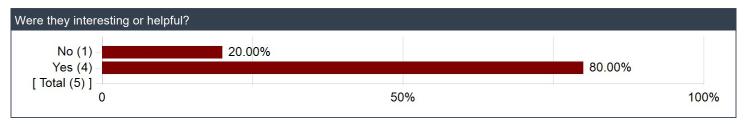
Explain

Comments she had a schedule on the syllabus and followed it Prepared every class, no logistics issues or whatever Yes. She follows the test and quiz schedule that she provides in her syllabus, so you always know what to expect in class.

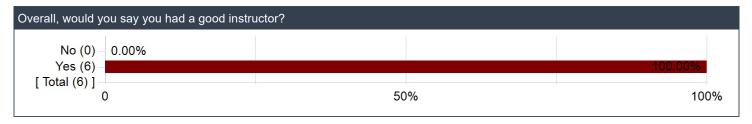
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments

Kind, encouraging, immersive instruction,

The instructor was very good about encouraging participation and conversation, and covered interesting content and gave good feedback.

Class ran very well, very friendly

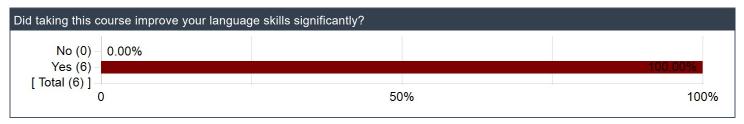
- (1) Always ask students how they're doing and about their day at the start of class.
- (2) Provide constructive feedback on oral exam results so you know why you lost points. (And is a fair grader in general)
- (3) Patient with students when they struggle to speak in class.
- (4) Tries to assist students when conflicts interrupt their ability to do quizzes or exams when she can.
- (4) Honestly, just a very sweet and lovely person. I always look forward to going to her class!

Please provide your TA's name. Did the TA answer your questions fully and clearly?

Comments

Vincent. Yes! He was a chill person, so it made TA sessions more comfortable. He was also willing to answer my questions and provide context about hanzi, grammar, etc. when needed.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



In what way?

Comments

New vocab

All aspects

Being able to speak regularly was very nice.

Speaking and writing Chinese over certain period of time allowed me to retain some of the Chinese that I had learned prior to taking the class.

My reading comprehension and writing memorization have improved a lot throughout this sequence. (My listening and speaking need work, but that's because I don't practice outside of class.)

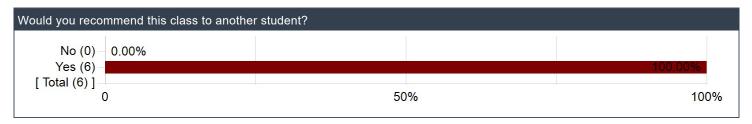
How would you improve this course?

Comments

Not sure, maybe a bit more listening practice

Less emphasis on writing and more on having conversations, speaking, and reading rather than writing. I think most people who take the course take it with the intension of improving their speaking ability.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments

Very interesting and fun

Wang laoshi is very kind and the course was challenging but not impossible to manage.

Chinese is a difficult language to learn, but it's also an incredibly fun learning experience. I enjoy the textbook content and how it uses characters and dialogue to introduce vocab and grammar patterns. (Some sections provide further language and cultural context.) 老师 is also just incredibly kind and a wonderful person who makes the experience even better!