

Bilingual Course Description:

Chinese bilingual class is especially for those students who do not have a Mandarin-speaking environment at home. It provides the foundation on which to build effective Chinese language communication skills. The class teaches Chinese (Mandarin) through the phonetic system (pinyin), simplified characters, basic sentence structures and conversations. It aims at developing the fundamental communicative competences in listening, speaking, reading and writing. For students, being encouraged is the key to success in learning to speak Chinese. After-class practice in pinyin, word recognition, phrase formation, and sentence making is important. The more students practice, the more students will gradually develop their language skills.