

UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE



COURSE GUIDELINES FIRST SEMESTER 2022



These guidelines cover the **online teaching of Mandarin** in the first semester of 2022. This will comprise **credit courses in Basic Mandarin and Intermediate Mandarin** (open to UJ students only), and **HSK proficiency courses 1-6** (open to all, including UJ students and staff). More information follows about the courses as well as application and registration procedures.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 11 FEBRUARY 2022

CREDIT COURSES IN MANDARIN

(for UJ students only)

Basic Mandarin (Qualification Code S7011Q)

This course is designed to introduce students with little or no knowledge of Chinese language to the fundamentals of Mandarin. It will be taught online in two sessions a week over a 15-week period from 14 January 2022 to 25 May 2022.

Intermediate Mandarin (Qualification Code S7012Q)

This course is designed for students who have completed Basic Mandarin or have some prior knowledge of Chinese language and culture, and focuses on grammar, Chinese characters, and oral discourse about situations in daily life. It will be taught online in two sessions a week over a 15-week period from 15 February 2022 to 26 May 2022.

Accreditation and examinations

The University of Johannesburg has approved the UJCI's Basic Mandarin and Intermediate Mandarin courses as credit courses. As a result, the UJCI will set examinations for both courses. In line with UJ regulations, the final results will be calculated as follows: 10% for attendance, 20% for homework, 20% for mid-term exams, and 50% for final exams.

HSK MANDARIN COURSES

(open to all, including UJ students and staff)

The UJCI will also offer online courses aimed at preparing students for HSK, the official international tests of Chinese language proficiency for non-native speakers. HSK 1-6 courses will be offered, preparing students for six HSK test levels. The UJCI will only provide training and not the tests themselves, which are set by Chinese Testing International. Information about the tests for 2022 will be released in due course.

HSK Mandarin 1: This course is designed for fresh starters. Students will learn Pinyin (the Chinese phonetic system), simple characters, as well as basic grammar. This course will prepare students for passing HSK 1. It will be taught online every Saturday over 15 weeks from 19 February to 28 May.

HSK Mandarin 2-6: These courses are designed for students with rising levels of proficiency, and will prepare them for passing HSK 2-6. Each course will cover the relevant HSK test structure as well as vocabulary, topics and grammar. These course will be taught online in two sessions a week over 156 weeks, from 14 February 2022 to 27 May 2022.



ONLINE TEACHING PLATFORM

All teaching sessions will take place via the Zoom platform. Students will initially make contact with the UJCI via WhatsApp groups (see later details). Lecturers will use these groups to provide students with Zoom logins as well as other information.

MINIMUM CLASS SIZES

In order to achieve the best teaching outcomes, the minimum class size for each course is five. Should we receive applications from fewer than five students, the course will be cancelled and applicants will be notified.

REGISTRATION AND COURSE FEES

All online teaching will be free of charge, and due to the COVID-19 pandemic no registration fees will be payable. Following registration, teachers will provide students with information about required teaching materials. Students must themselves pay for teaching materials, including printing costs. Teachers will provide them with more information following registration.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

All UJCI students will be invited to participate in other UJCI events such as seminars, Public Dialogues, and Chinese cultural events.

Due to various instability factors such as the online course network, students can use the UJCI online course platform to preview first, so that the efficiency of class can be improved.

Online Course Platform of UJCI: <http://ujandnjtech.chinesecio.com>. And the process is shown in the attachment.

REGISTRATION FOR CREDIT COURSES

In order to join the credit courses in Basic and Intermediate Mandarin, you need to be a UJ student. If you are not a current UJ student, you can apply for registration as a part-time student for these courses alone.

New applicants

Step one: Apply for a student number and PIN/password

- Go to: https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/wuj012pkg.wuj012_startup
- Select 2022 as the academic year, and enter the token HUMSLP.
- Select either Basic or Intermediate Mandarin, and complete the drop-down forms.
- You will receive a student number and will be prompted to create a PIN/password.

Step two: Apply for registration

- Go to: https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/w99pkg.mi_login
- Log in with your student number and PIN/password.
- Complete the registration procedure in the drop-down menus to the left.
- When prompted, use the token HUMSLP once again.

Existing UJ students

- Go to: https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/w99pkg.mi_login
- Log in with your student number and PIN/password, and add Basic or Intermediate Mandarin to your registered subjects.
- Should you forget your student number and/or PIN number, phone the UJ Call Centre on 011 559-4555.

Contact the UJCI

Once these procedures have been completed, send an email to ujci@uj.ac.za with your full name, identity number/student number, course, and contact details. The UJCI will contact you about your admission.

WhatsApp groups

Following registration, you will be added to one of the following WhatsApp groups:

Basic Mandarin: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KC4S8GABnop7ielq5oefc7>

Intermediate Mandarin: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/L2aFRX3Ok4AI9vFU8Ywwup>

These groups will be used to disseminate teaching materials, and provide logins for the Zoom teaching sessions. Join the Zoom sessions for your course according to the timetable.

REGISTRATION FOR HSK MANDARIN 1-6

Register online via one of the following links:

- <https://forms.gle/Q2tHDCj3CNUoWJn19>
- <https://forms.gle/YppNS4LkBS7BsYTy6>
- <https://forms.gle/PtKg7FxlLoyX6uWK6>

You only need to select one link. If the link you have selected is full, select another one. When you have completed this procedure, you will be registered. Should special circumstances arise, the UJCI will let you know.

WhatsApp Groups

Following registration, the UJCI will create WhatsApp groups for these students as well. They will be used to disseminate teaching materials and to provide logins for the Zoom teaching sessions. Once the groups have been formed, you will be informed via email.

TIMETABLE

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Basic	13:00-14:30		13:00-14:30			
Intermediate		13:00-14:30		13:00-14:30		
HSK 1						9:00-12:00
HSK 2	15:00-16:30			15:00-16:30		
HSK 3	17:00-18:30		15:00-16:30			
HSK 4		17:00-18:30		17:00-18:30		
HSK 5			17:00-18:30		11:30-13:00	
HSK 6		15:00-16:30			11:30-13:00	

Teaching platform

As noted earlier, all teaching sessions will be set up as Zoom webinars. Lecturers will provide login and other details via the various WhatsApp groups.

Holidays

There will be no classes on the South African public holidays on 21 March, 15 April, 18 April, 27 April, 1 May and 2 May. There will also be no classes during the UJ holidays from 2 to 10 April.

Lecturers will provide more information about the timetable when the courses begin.

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