

Student Guide to "CICS Online at BLCU"

CICS Online at BLCU, the best choice for learning Chinese.

Due to the recent outbreak of covid-19, students from all countries are unable to come to Beijing Language and Culture University(BLCU) to complete their studies. The College of Intensive Chinese Studies(CICS) is now switching to online platforms to deliver our courses, and ensures the completeness of the teaching process as well as excellent teaching quality.

Established in 1978, CICS is a professional college that provides short-term intensive courses on Chinese language and culture. With the concept of making it scientific, international and open, the college has established a complete teaching system and curriculum in accordance with the increasingly diversified and personalized Chinese learning needs around the world. The college comes up with flexible and efficient teaching methods, an intensive Chinese teaching idea and mode with the unique style of Beijing Language and Culture University. CICS has created a leading brand of intensive Chinese teaching in the world and has trained more than 100,000 international talents who can speak Chinese and are familiar with Chinese culture.

I. Why Choose Us?

1. Pioneer of online Chinese teaching

CICS Online carefully organized, designed and developed online courses (MOOC) such as *Chinese Grammar Class*, *Speed-up Functional Chinese*, *Elementary Chinese Grammar Class*, *Intensive Chinese Grammar (beginner level)*, *Primary Oral Chinese*, and *HSK Level 4 Intensive Course*. These online courses have advanced teaching concepts and new teaching forms, which fully present the essence of intensive teaching. Among them, *Chinese Grammar Class* won the National Quality Online Open Course Award, and *Speed-up Functional Chinese* was eligible for the National Quality Online Open Course Award. The newly launched *Quick Connection to the World - Online classroom* is praised by foreign students and teaching experts and highly recommended by mainstream media for its high-quality course design and teaching effect.



Chinese Grammar Class



Speed-up Functional Chinese



Primary Oral Chinese



HSK Level 4 Intensive Course

(click on the picture and open the super-link to view the MOOCs)

2. An excellent team of Chinese teachers

CICS Online have the largest and most excellent professional intensive Chinese teaching team in China. The teachers have rich experience in Chinese language teaching and Chinese culture teaching at home and abroad. This team is leading the trend of short-term Chinese teaching in China.

3. Immersive Chinese learning environment

Relying on platforms such as ZOOM and Tencent Meeting, we carefully designed an immersive learning environment, with intensive teaching and practice, group exercises, full interaction, high speaking frequency, and cooperative learning among students from many countries. A-level class makes proper use of English to assist teaching, and B-level class is mainly delivered in Chinese to create a language environment for Chinese listening and speaking.

4. Efficient Intensive Chinese teaching mode

Guided by learning needs, through the best design of teaching modes and curriculum, the best selection of teaching contents and teaching methods, learners from different levels can maximize their comprehension of using Chinese and their cognition of Chinese culture in the shortest time.

5. Scientific and complete learning process

The whole teaching process of each step forms a closed loop. A variety of ways are combined to ensure that students can do previewing, class learning, interaction with the teacher, after-class counseling and have feedback. We make sure to achieve the optimal learning results of the teacher's guidance and the student's independent learning.

6. Practical courses, diversified choices

The course is practical and effective, which can cultivate learners' listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in a short period of time. It can also help students to improve their Chinese language proficiency, understand Chinese culture and national conditions. Different types of courses are available for learners to choose, and customized courses can also be provided for different learning groups or individuals to meet their personalized needs.

II. Class form and schedule

Platforms and software used in class: ZOOM, Tencent Meeting, WeChat

Regular Chinese Course (4 weeks /12 weeks, 4 classes per day)

From Monday to Friday. Four classes every weekday with 10 minutes for a short break or 20 minutes for a long break. The specific time is as follows:

Course	1 st class	2 nd class	3 rd class	4 th class
Beijing time	8:30-9:20	9:30-10:20	10:40-11:30	11:40-12:30

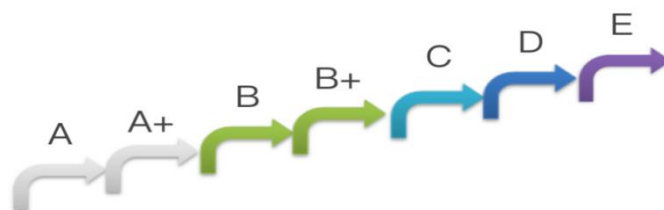
HSK tutorial, business Chinese, Overview of China (every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2 classes per day)

Course	1 st class	2 nd class
Beijing time	19:00-19:50	20:00-20:50

III. Course Level and Curriculum

Various types of courses are available for students to choose from: Regular Chinese Course, HSK Tutorial Class, Business Chinese Class, Specialized Courses on Overview of China and Customized Courses.

Course Level



Curriculum for 4-week Class

Course Level	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
A/A+	Rudiments of Chinese Speaking (10 class hours/week)	Rudiments of Chinese Practice (10 class hours/week)	
B/B+	Elementary Chinese Speaking (10 class hours/week)	Elementary Chinese Practice (10 class hours/week)	
C	Pre-Intermediate Spoken Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Pre-Intermediate Chinese Reading (6 class hours/week)	Pre-Intermediate Chinese Listening (4 class hours/week)
D	Intermediate Spoken Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Intermediate Chinese Reading (6 class hours/week)	Intermediate Chinese Listening (4 class hours/week)
E	Advanced Spoken Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Advanced Chinese Reading (6 class hours/week)	Advanced Audiovisual Chinese (4 class hours/week)

Curriculum for 12-week Class

Course Level	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
A/A+	Introduction to Comprehensive Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Introduction to Spoken Chinese (6 class hours/week)	Introduction to Chinese Listening (4 class hours/week)
B/B+	Elementary Comprehensive Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Elementary Spoken Chinese (6 class hours/week)	Elementary Chinese Listening (4 class hours/week)
C	Pre-Intermediate Comprehensive Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Pre-Intermediate Chinese Listening & Speaking (6 class hours/week)	Pre-Intermediate Chinese Reading (4 class hours/week)
D	Intermediate Comprehensive Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Intermediate Chinese Listening & Speaking (6 class hours/week)	Intermediate Chinese Reading (4 class hours/week)
E	Advanced Comprehensive Chinese (10 class hours/week)	Advanced Chinese Listening & Speaking (6 class hours/week)	Advanced Chinese Reading (4 class hours/week)

Tuition Fees

Course Type	Study Duration	Weeks/class hours	Tuition Fees
Regular Chinese Course (Levels of ABCDE)	2020.4.13-2020.7.3	12 weeks/240 class hours	¥9500
	2020.4.13-2020.5.8	4 weeks/80 class hours	¥4000
HSK (level 4) Tutorial	2020.4.13-2020.5.8	4 weeks/24 class hours	¥2400
HSK (level 5) Tutorial	2020.4.13-2020.5.8	4 weeks/24 class hours	¥2400
Business Chinese Course (above HSK level 4)	2020.4.13-2020.5.8	4 weeks/24 class hours	¥2400
Overview of China (above HSK level 4)	2020.4.13-2020.5.8	4 weeks/24 class hours	¥2400
Customized Courses	To confirm through negotiation		

The 4-week Course will be offered regularly:

The Second Session (2020.5.11-2020.6.5)

The Third Session (2020.6.8-2020.7.3)

The Fourth Session (2020.7.6-2020.7.31)

IV. Procedures

1. A briefing will be held on March 31.
2. Students will receive a link to the placement test via WeChat or e-mail and complete the placement test before April 2.
3. Students can choose to attend different free demo class according to the result of the test.

Schedule for Free Demo Classes (Beijing Time)			
April 5, 2020		April 6, 2020	
8:30-9:20	A	8:30-9:20	Business Chinese
9:30-10:20	A+	9:30-10:20	Overview of China
10:30-11:20	B	10:30-11:20	HSK (level 4)
13:30-14:20	B+	13:30-14:20	HSK (level 5)
14:30-15:20	C		
15:30-16:20	D		
16:30-17:20	E		

4. Payment deadline: as of April 9, 2020, a proof of payment (screenshots or photos) should be submitted. After necessary rearrangements, classes will officially commence on the basis of at least 10 students in a class.

5. Starting Date: April 13, 2020.

V. Preparations before Classes

Students have to download ZOOM and WeChat.

Backup software: Tencent Meeting or Ding talk.

VI. Award of the Certificate

According to the study duration and final test results, BLCU will provide a *Course Learning Certificate* or a *Course Completion Certificate* with transcripts for short-term Chinese course. The original cooperation programs will be switched to online teaching and credits will still be certified.

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