

Spring 2017 Community Language School Course Offerings

<p>After-School Children's Spanish at Julia Lee Moore Elementary School</p> <p><u>Wednesdays</u> 3:00-3:55pm 10-week course Feb. 8th – Apr. 19th 2017 NOTE: No classes on March 22nd during Spring Break.</p> <p><u>Location:</u> Julia Lee Moore Elementary School 1301 Country Club Rd. Conway</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>This is an after-school program limited to 2nd - 4th graders attending Julia Lee Moore Elementary School. The curriculum is thematic and rotates through six-semester before repeating. This semester, the children will focus on "<i>City Life & Country Life</i>". The emphasis of this course is on basic communication with lots of interactive instruction and a quick pace. The children will use music, role-playing, dancing and games to learn Spanish in an immersion environment.</p>	<p>Faculty Supervisor:</p> <p><i>Dr. Lauren Miller</i>, UCA Dept. of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures and Cultures</p> <p>Dr. Miller's graduate students in the Teaching Spanish as a 2nd Language Practicum class will be the instructors for this class.</p>
<p>Conversational Adult Spanish</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 7:00-8:30pm 10-Week Course Feb. 2nd – April 13th 2017 NOTE: no class on March 23rd during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus, 2nd floor* of Irby Hall Room 204</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>This is a fun and interactive class that is focused on basic communication. Students will learn how to use Spanish in everyday conversations & while traveling. The class is designed around common situations that occur regularly in daily life & during traveling situations in Spanish-speaking countries: in stores, restaurants, airports, hotels & around cities. Vocabulary, grammar & pronunciation will also center on these core areas.</p>	<p>Instructor: Cornesha Tweede</p> <p>Instructor biography: Cornesha Tweede received her Bachelor's degree in Spanish from Oral Roberts University. She is currently working on her Spanish master's degree. Recently, she received her certification as a trained medical Spanish interpreter. She is a high-energy instructor who is excited to share her love of Spanish. She'd like to help empower adults in our community to learn this important language.</p>

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<p>Japanese for Beginners* *NOTE: Textbook: “Japanese for Young People” costs approximately \$18-\$22 on Amazon. Students are responsible for ordering their own books.</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:30-8pm 10-week course February 9th –April 20th Note: no class on March 23rd during UCA’s Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus, 2nd floor of Irby Hall</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>Do you like anime and manga? Are you planning a trip to Japan? Have you always wanted to learn Japanese? Perhaps you have picked up some Japanese on your own? Come & learn Japanese with this beginners’ class. In this class, you will learn basic communication skills, pronunciation, some grammar, and Japanese culture. You will focus on the writing & reading of Katakana this semester as well as some important Kanji characters.</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>David House</i></p> <p>David House has been an instructor of the Japanese language at UCA for almost three years now. He taught English as a Foreign Language in Japan for seven years and is very knowledgeable about modern Japanese culture. As co-advisor to the UCA Japanese Club, he is an active participant in many campus & community events focused on Japan and Japanese culture. A person with diverse interests, David hopes he can help others learn how to explore their own personal experiences of Japanese language and culture.</p>
<p>Conversational Korean for Beginners</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:00-7:15pm 10-week course Jan. 26th – Apr. 6th 2017 NOTE: no class on March 23rd during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus Room 311 Torreyson West* *use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>Korea has an ancient culture and rich heritage. Its beautiful temples, bustling cities, friendly people, spicy food (kimchi!) & lovely landscapes make it increasingly popular as a tourist destination. Closer to home, in the heart of downtown Little Rock, is a gorgeous, traditional Korean gate honoring Grandmaster H.U. Lee, founder of American Taekwondo Association, which ushers visitors into a jewel of a tiny garden: an oasis of Korean culture in Central Arkansas! As Korean pop music & pop culture become better known in our country, so the interest in learning the beautiful Korean language has soared. Join us in exploring both culture and language in this lively, interactive conversation course.</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>Ha Ram Kim</i></p> <p>Instructor Biography: Mr. Kim enjoys teaching his first language: Korean. Having grown up in a tri-lingual environment in Argentina, he’s fluent in English, Spanish and of course, in his family’s home language. Last year, he taught the first ever Korean class offered on the UCA campus. He is enthusiastic about helping people learn his language and enjoys sharing the rich culture of Korea with the central Arkansas community. He spent the winter break in Korea and is excited about beginning this spring semester Korean language course.</p>

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<p>Introduction to Traditional Chinese Brush Painting* NOTE: No prior painting experience required</p> <p><u>Tuesdays</u> 6:30-8pm 10-week course Feb. 7th – Apr. 18th 2017 NOTE: no class on March 21st during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location</u> UCA Campus Torreyson West, Room 317 *use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors</p> <p>Supported jointly through a collaboration between the Community Language School & the UCA Confucius Institute</p> <p>UCA Students: please contact Sera Streiff-Vena (serav@uca.edu) about the fees for this class.</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>Thought to have begun approximately 6,000 years ago, Chinese brush painting is one of the oldest continuing art traditions in the world. In this class, the instructor will introduce the art of brush painting. This brushwork style involves essentially the same techniques as Chinese calligraphy (also discussed & demonstrated in this course). Using a brush dipped in black or colored inks, students will first learn how to position their hands correctly to make the various stroke patterns required for <i>Flower-and-Bird Painting</i>: a genre which peaked during the Song Dynasty. This course will mainly focus on plant motifs such as bamboo: “one of the three durable plants in winter,” and classical flowers. Along with learning the basic painting techniques, students will also learn how elements of Chinese history & culture are interwoven in this ancient art form.</p> <p>Beginning painters are welcome!</p>	<p>Instructor: Ms. Hai Li Liu, UCA Confucius Institute</p> <p>Instructor biography: Ms. Liu received her B.A. in Fine Arts from Northwest Normal University & her M.A. in Fine Arts from Xuzhou Normal University in Jiangsu Province, China. This area of China is well-known not only for its historic importance, but also for being a center for culture & the arts. Ms. Liu is a distinguished member of the Art Department faculty at Xuzhou Normal University. This year, she is a visiting professor with the UCA Confucius Institute. Ms. Liu has received many awards and honors during her 15 years of teaching painting and the fine arts. A very kind and patient teacher, she delights in sharing her culture’s rich artistic tradition with students from all over the world.</p>
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<p>Children's Chinese Classes in Conway <u>Mondays</u> Beginning Level: 5:30-6:30pm Intermediate Level: 6:30-7:30pm</p> <p>12-Week* Course January 30th–April 24th 2017 NOTE: no classes on March 20th (the Monday of UCA's Spring Break)</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus Torreyson West Room 317 *use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors Supported by the UCA Confucius Institute</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>These are classes for children ages 4-12 with a primary focus on oral communication and secondary focus on recognizing Chinese characters. The teacher will use pictures, hands-on activities such as songs, games and interactive teaching techniques to build vocabulary and reinforce basic conversations on a variety of basic everyday topics such as food, school, transportation, locations, household objects and so on.</p>	<p>Instructor: Ms. Ivey (Ying Tang), UCA Confucius Institute Instructor biography: Ivey is a native of China & holds a M.A. from East China Normal University in the area of Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages. Currently, she is an instructor with the Confucius Institute at UCA, and enjoys sharing her language & cultural heritage with people in Arkansas. She is patient & kind, and possesses an excellent disposition to teach young children. In addition to teaching, she has been involved with UCA Bear Camp for kids. She has often assisted in many community outreach events designed to promote traditional Chinese cultural arts and activities here on campus and in Conway. These wonderful enrichment programs help promote better understanding between the peoples of our two great countries.</p>
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<p>Children's Chinese Classes in Little Rock (with generous support from the UCA Confucius Institute & the Arkansas Chinese American Association)</p> <p><u>Saturday Morning:</u> <i>Start date:</i> January 14th—March 18th 2017</p> <p><u>Language Class:</u> 9 years & under: 9-10:30am 10-15 years old: 10:45-12noon</p> <p><u>Painting Class:</u> 9 years & under: 10:45-12noon 10-15 years old: 9-10:30am</p> <p><u>Class Location:</u> Pulaski Academy Murphy Theater rooms #4245 & #4247, 12301 Hinson Rd, Little Rock</p>	<p><u>Chinese Language Classes:</u> These are classes for children ages 5-15 with a primary focus on oral communication and secondary focus in the higher level class on recognizing and producing Chinese characters. The teachers will use pictures, hands-on activities such as songs, games and interactive teaching techniques to build vocabulary and reinforce basic conversations on a variety of basic everyday topics such as food, school, transportation, locations, household objects and so on. The children will be divided by age group, and may eventually be divided by previous language exposure and level of proficiency.</p> <p><u>Exploratory Chinese Traditional Painting:</u> Chinese brush painting is one of the oldest continuing art traditions in the world. In this class, the instructor will introduce children ages 5-15 to the art of brush painting. This brushwork style involves similar techniques to Chinese calligraphy. Using a brush dipped in black or colored inks, the children will first learn how to position their hands correctly to make the various stroke patterns required for very simple nature studies. This course will mainly be exploratory with focus on developing stroke work through basic pattern repetition and working with fun motifs interesting to children</p>	<p><u>Instructor Biographies:</u> <i>From the UCA Confucius Institute</i></p> <p><u>Chinese Language Instructors:</u> Ms Lilian (YiYuan) Gong and Ms Ava (Zhifang) Jiang are natives of China & hold M.A.s from East China Normal University in the area of Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages. Currently, they are instructors with the Confucius Institute at UCA, and enjoy sharing their language & cultural heritage with people in Arkansas. They are both patient & kind, and possess excellent dispositions for teaching young children.</p> <p><u>Painting Instructor:</u> Ms. Hai Li Liu received her B.A. in Fine Arts from Northwest Normal University & her M.A. in Fine Arts from Xuzhou Normal University in Jiangsu Province, China. This area of China is well-known not only for its historic importance, but also for being a center for culture & the arts. Ms. Liu is a distinguished member of the Art Department faculty at Xuzhou Normal University. This year, she is a visiting professor with the UCA Confucius Institute. Ms. Liu has received many awards and honors during her 15 years of teaching painting and the fine arts. A very kind and patient teacher, she delights in sharing her culture's rich artistic tradition with students from all over the world.</p>
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<p>Intermediate Italian, 2B</p> <p><u>Tuesdays:</u> 6-7:30pm</p> <p><i>8-week continuing course:</i> February 14th – April 4th 2017</p> <p><u>Class Location:</u> 1914 Biscayne Drive Little Rock</p>	<p>Course Description: Students in this intermediate level class must come in with the fundamentals of Italian grammar, have a firm grasp of Italian pronunciation and the knowledge of every day Italian vocabulary. They should be able to express themselves in simple sentences in basic communicative situations. People want to learn Italian for many reasons: for business, a vacation, to appreciate Italian opera & cuisine, or just to broaden their cultural horizons. It's a wonderful country and culture and learning this vibrant language can open up a whole new world. In this class, students will learn more phrases and idioms used by every Italian. They will also learn about customs and traditions. Then they'll be ready for a wonderful adventure in this beautiful boot-shaped country of the Old World!</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>Michela Palmieri</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Michela Palmieri was born and raised in Italy. She moved to the US in 2001 to work as Research Assistant at UAMS where she still enjoys doing research. Michela has a degree in Chemistry and Biology from Italy and a Medical Interpreter Certification from UAMS. She loves to cook authentic Italian food for family and friends and enjoys sharing her knowledge of the “<i>Bel Paese</i>” and the Italian language. She has been teaching the UCA Community Language School Italian classes for many years.</p>
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