

FALL 2015 Community Language School CLASSES

<p><i>Children's Chinese for Heritage Speakers</i></p> <p>Thursdays: (5:30-6:30PM) 12-Week* Course September 3rd -Dec. 3rd 2015 *NOTE: NO CLASS on UCA Fall Break (Oct. 22nd) or Thanksgiving (Nov. 26th)</p> <p>Location: UCA Campus, Torreyson West Room 317</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>This is a continuing class 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: <i>LiYuan "Lilian" Gong</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Lilian Gong is a Chinese instructor at UCA's Confucius Institute. She has a MA in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages from East China Normal University. She has experience teaching Chinese and enjoys sharing her knowledge of one of the oldest languages in the world. A native of China, Lilian is excited about exploring the Chinese language and her cultural heritage with children here in Arkansas.</p>
<p><i>Children's Chinese for Non-Heritage Speakers</i></p> <p>Tuesdays: (6:00-6:45PM) 12-Week Course* Sept. 8th – Dec. 1st *NOTE: NO CLASS on Nov. 23rd during the week of Thanksgiving</p> <p>Location: UCA Campus, Torreyson West Room 317</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>Language learning is a natural process when children are young. This class taught by a UCA Confucius Institute Chinese teacher is designed especially for children ages 3-12. It will teach students the basics of Chinese language and culture including pinyin and some simple characters with an emphasis on widely used phrases, high frequency words and common expressions. Students will also do some calligraphy, paper-cutting, Tai-Chi and Chinese songs. The class will be a lot of fun!</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>LiYuan "Lilian" Gong</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Lilian Gong is a Chinese instructor at UCA's Confucius Institute. She has a MA in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages from East China Normal University. She has experience teaching Chinese and enjoys sharing her knowledge of one of the oldest languages in the world. A native of China, Lilian is excited about exploring the Chinese language and her cultural heritage with children here in Arkansas.</p>

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<p><i>Japanese for Beginners</i></p> <p>Tuesdays: (6:00-7:30PM) 8-Week Course Sept. 29-Nov. 17th, 2015</p> <p>Location: UCA Campus, 2nd floor of Irby Hall</p> <p>Textbook: *NOTE: the textbook will cost approximately \$20- \$25.</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 also learn writing & reading of Hiragana and some Kanji characters.</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>Izumi Liss</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Izumi Liss is a native of Japan and has been teaching Japanese for many years. Although Izumi's bachelor's degree from UALR is in Computer Science, she is a life-long language learner herself and enjoys sharing her country's rich and ancient culture with students. She has often assisted UCA's Japanese Club with special events, and has also taught Japanese at UCA Community Language School Bear Camps.</p>
<p><i>Intermediate Italian</i></p> <p>Thursdays: (6:00-7:30 PM) 8-Week Course Oct. 8th – Dec. 3rd, 2015</p> <p>Location: Little Rock (Location TBA)</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>You may have lots of reasons to want to learn to speak Italian: for business, a vacation, or just to broaden your cultural horizons. It's a wonderful experience and opens up a whole new world to you. In this intermediate level class you will learn more phrases and idioms used by every Italian. You will also learn about culture and traditions. Then you will be ready for a wonderful adventure in the Boot-Shaped Country in 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 U.S. in 2001 to work as Research Assistant at UAMS where she continues to work. Michela has a degree in Chemistry and Biology from Italy, and a Medical Interpreter Certification from UAMS. She has taught Italian for a number of years now. In addition to teaching, she loves to cook authentic Italian food for family & friends, and enjoys sharing her knowledge of the "Bel Paese" & the Italian language.</p>

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<p><i>Conversational Adult Spanish</i></p> <p>Tuesdays: (7:00-8:15PM) 10-Week Course Sept. 15th – Dec. 1st</p> <p>Location: UCA Campus, 2nd floor of Irby Hall</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: <i>Ms Taylor Bennett</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Taylor is currently a Spanish instructor at UCA. She holds a bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech University in Spanish & Music. In addition, she has a master's degree in choral conducting & will receive her masters in Spanish next year. Taylor loves the Spanish language, culture, and the history of all Spanish-speaking countries. Every summer, she lives in Cuernavaca, Mexico where she did her study abroad experience in college. Her Spanish teaching experience includes middle school, high school, college & adult level classes. Originally from Texas, Taylor now resides in Conway with her husband.</p>
<p><i>After-School Children's Spanish (at Julia Lee Moore Elementary School)</i></p> <p>ENROLLMENT CAP: 20 children Registration deadline: Sep. 14th First come, first served! Mail form to UCA (or drop it off in Irby Hall 207 between 8:00-12 noon or 1:30-4:00pm)</p> <p>Wednesdays: (3:15-4pm) 10-week course Sept. 16th - Nov. 18th</p> <p>Location: Julia Lee Moore Elementary 1301 Country Club Rd. Conway</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>This is a fun, after-school program limited to 3rd and 4th graders attending Julia Lee Moore Elementary School. The curriculum is thematic and rotates through six-semester before it repeats itself. The emphasis is on basic communication with interactive instruction, and fast-pace learning activities. The children will use songs and music, role-playing, dancing and games to learn Spanish in an immersion environment.</p>	<p>Instructor: <i>Joelle Tackett</i></p> <p>Instructor biography: Joelle Tackett received her Bachelor's degree in Spanish from Hendrix College, where she minored in English, and also began her studies in French. Currently working on her Spanish master's degree at UCA, she is a graduate teaching assistant. Active in her church, she participates in the music program and helps with the children's ministries. Since she is fond of kids, she is very excited to share her love of languages by teaching Spanish at Julia Lee Moore this year.</p> <p>SSV Rev 9-7-2015</p>