

# Fall 2016 Community Language School Course Offerings

<p><b>After-School Children's Spanish at Julia Lee Moore Elementary School</b></p> <p><u>Wednesdays</u>  <b>3:05-3:50pm</b>  <b>10-week course</b>  <b>Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>  <b>NOTE: No classes on Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> (Parent-Teacher Conferences) nor on Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> for Thanksgiving Week.</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u>  <b>Julia Lee Moore Elementary</b>  <b>1301 Country Club Rd.</b>  <b>Conway</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>This is an after-school program limited to 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> graders attending Julia Lee Moore Elementary School. The curriculum is thematic and rotates through six-semesters before repeating. This semester, the children will focus on <b>“My School and My Community.”</b></p> <p>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><b>Co-Instructors:</b></p> <p><b>Logan Evans</b> is a native of central Arkansas and a recent graduate of Harding University with a BA in Spanish &amp; French. She is currently pursuing her master's in Spanish at UCA &amp; plans to become an interpreter or a teacher. She is looking forward to sharing her interest in Spanish with the children at JLM.</p> <p><b>Cornesha Tweede</b> received her Bachelor's degree in Spanish from Oral Roberts University. She is currently working on her Spanish master's. Recently, she received her certification as a trained medical Spanish interpreter. She is a dance instructor for children &amp; is extremely excited to share her love of Spanish with kids.</p>
<p><b>Conversational Adult Spanish</b></p> <p><u>Thursdays</u>  <b>6:30-8:00pm</b>  <b>10-Week Course</b>  <b>Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 2016</b>  <b>NOTE: no class on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> during the UCA Fall Break or Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> on Thanksgiving Day</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u>  <b>UCA Campus,</b>  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> floor* of Irby Hall</b>  <b>Room 204</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></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 &amp; while traveling. The class is designed around common situations that occur regularly in daily life &amp; during traveling situations in Spanish-speaking countries: in stores, restaurants, airports, hotels &amp; around cities. Vocabulary, grammar &amp; pronunciation will also center on these core areas.</p>	<p><b>Instructor: Taylor Bennett</b></p> <p><b>Instructor biography:</b> Taylor is currently a Spanish teacher at Vilonia High School. She holds a bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech University in Spanish &amp; Music. In addition, she has a master's degree in choral conducting &amp; in Spanish from UCA. 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 as an undergraduate student. Her Spanish teaching experience includes middle school, high school, college &amp; adult level classes. Originally from Texas, Taylor now resides in Conway with her husband.</p>

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<p><b>Japanese for Beginners*</b>  <b>*NOTE: Textbook cost is approximately \$20-\$25.</b></p> <p><u>Thursdays</u>  <b>6:00-7:30pm</b>  <b>10-week** Course</b>  <b>Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> –Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 2016</b>  <b>**NOTE: NO CLASS on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> during UCA’s Fall Break or on Thanksgiving (Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>)</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u>  <b>UCA Campus, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Irby Hall Room 203</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></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 &amp; 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 &amp; reading of Katakana this semester as well as some important Kanji characters.</p>	<p><b>Instructor: <i>Izumi Liss</i></b></p> <p><b>Instructor biography:</b>          Izumi Liss is a multilingual native of Japan who is interested in linguistics. She has been teaching Japanese for over a decade now. Although Izumi’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 her students.</p>
<p><b>Conversational Korean for Beginners</b></p> <p><u>Thursdays</u>  <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>  <b>10-week course</b>  <b>Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>  <b>NOTE: no class on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> during the UCA Fall Break</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u>  <b>UCA Campus Room 311 Torreyson West*</b>  <b>*use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>Korea has an ancient culture and rich heritage. Its beautiful temples, bustling cities, friendly people, spicy food (kimchi!) &amp; 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 &amp; 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><b>Instructor: <i>Ha Ram Kim</i></b></p> <p><b>Instructor Biography:</b>          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. Working together with UCA’s Korean Club, he has participated in a variety of Korean cultural events on our campus.</p>

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<p><b>Introduction to Traditional Chinese Brush Painting*</b>  <b>*there's an additional cost for painting materials/supplies of \$25</b></p> <p><b>NOTE: No prior painting experience required</b></p> <p><b><u>Tuesdays</u></b>  <b>5:30-7:00pm</b>  <b>10-week course</b>  <b>Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 8<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b><u>Location</u></b>  <b>UCA Campus</b>  <b>Torreyson West Room 317</b>  <b>*use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors</b></p> <p><b>Supported by the UCA Confucius Institute</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></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 &amp; 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 &amp; culture are interwoven in this ancient art form.</p> <p><b>Beginning painters are welcome!</b></p>	<p><b>Instructor: Ms. Hai Li Liu, UCA Confucius Institute</b></p> <p><b>Instructor biography:</b>          Ms. Liu received her B.A. in Fine Arts from Northwest Normal University &amp; 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 &amp; 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>
<p><b>Children's Chinese Classes in Conway</b></p> <p><b><u>Mondays</u></b>  <b><i>Beginning Level:</i> 5:30-6:15pm</b>  <b><i>Intermediate Level:</i> 6:00-7:00pm</b>  <b>12-Week* Course</b>  <b>Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016</b></p> <p><b><u>Location:</u></b>  <b>UCA Campus</b>  <b>Torreyson West Room 317</b>  <b>*use the handicapped entrance to the west of the main library doors</b></p> <p><b>Supported by the UCA Confucius Institute</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></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><b>Instructor: Ms. Ivey (Ying Tang), UCA Confucius Institute</b></p> <p><b>Instructor biography:</b> Ivey is a native of China &amp; 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 &amp; cultural heritage with people in Arkansas. She is patient &amp; 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><b>Children's Chinese Classes in Little Rock</b> (with support from the UCA Confucius Institute &amp; the Arkansas Chinese American Association)</p> <p><u>Saturday Morning:</u></p> <p><i>Language Class:</i> 9 years &amp; under: 9-10:30am 10-15 years old: 10:45-12noon</p> <p><i>Painting Class:</i> 9 years &amp; under: 10:45-12noon 10-15 years old: 9-10:30am</p> <p><u>Class Location:</u> Pulaski Academy Murphy Theater rooms #4245 &amp; #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><i>Instructor Biographies:</i> <i>From the UCA Confucius Institute</i></p> <p><b>Chinese Language Instructors:</b> <b>Ms Lilian (YiYuan) Gong</b> and <b>Ms Ava (Zhifang) Jiang</b> are natives of China &amp; 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 &amp; cultural heritage with people in Arkansas. They are both patient &amp; kind, and possess excellent dispositions for teaching young children.</p> <p><b>Painting Instructor:</b> <b>Ms. Hai Li Liu</b> received her B.A. in Fine Arts from Northwest Normal University &amp; 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 &amp; 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><b>Intermediate Italian, 2A</b></p> <p><b><u>Fridays:</u></b>  <b>6-7:30pm</b>  <b>8-week continuing course:</b>  <b>Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30<sup>th</sup> &amp;</b>  <b>Nov. 4, 11, 18<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Final class, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>NOTE: No class on Friday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> of Thanksgiving week</b></p> <p><b><u>Location:</u></b>  <b>1914 Biscayne Drive</b>  <b>Little Rock</b></p>	<p><b>Course Description:</b></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><b>Instructor:</b>  <b><i>Michela Palmieri</i></b></p> <p><b>Instructor biography:</b>          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.</p>
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