

Spring 2016 Community Language School Course Offerings

<p>Children’s Chinese for Heritage Speakers</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:00-7:00pm 12-Week* Course Jan. 28th - Apr. 21st 2016 *NOTE: NO CLASS on UCA Spring Break (March 24th)</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>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>Japanese for Beginners* *NOTE: Textbook cost is approximately \$20-\$25.</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:00-7:30pm 8-Week** Course Feb. 18th – April 14th 2016 **NOTE: NO CLASS on Mar. 24th during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus, 2nd floor*** of Irby Hall ***either room 203, 204, 205 or 208 (please look for a sign on the door first week of classes)</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 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>

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<p>Conversational Korean for Beginners</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:00-7:00pm 12-week course Jan. 21st – Apr. 14th 2016 NOTE: no class on Mar. 24th during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus Room 318 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> (assisted by <i>Deborah Sangeun Lee</i>)</p> <p>Instructor Biography: Mr. Kim has tutoring experience, but most recently, he's enjoyed teaching his first language: Korean. Having grown up in a tri-lingual environment in Argentina, he's fluent in English, Spanish & his family's home language. Assisted by Ms. Lee, he started the first ever Korean class on the UCA campus last year—and it was very successful. They both enjoy helping people learn their language as well as sharing the rich culture of Korea with the community. Both Mr. Kim and Ms Lee are active in UCA's Korean Club, and they have organized many cultural events on our campus.</p>
<p>Conversational Adult Spanish</p> <p><u>Thursdays</u> 6:30-8:00pm 10-Week Course Feb. 4th - April 14th 2016 NOTE: no class on Mar. 24th during the UCA Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> UCA Campus, 2nd floor* of Irby Hall *either room 203, 204, 205 or 208 (please look for a sign on the door first week of classes)</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>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>

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<p>Intermediate Italian</p> <p><u>Mondays</u> 6:00-7:30pm 8-Week Course Feb. 1st -Mar. 21st 2016</p> <p><u>Location:</u> 1914 Biscayne Drive Little Rock</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 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 "Bel Paese" and the Italian language.</p>
<p>After-School Children's Spanish at Julia Lee Moore Elementary School</p> <p><u>Wednesdays</u> 3:00-4pm 10-week course Feb. 3rd – Apr. 13th 2016 NOTE: no class on Mar. 23rd during Spring Break</p> <p><u>Location:</u> Julia Lee Moore Elementary 1301 Country Club Rd. Conway</p>	<p>Course Description:</p> <p>This is an after-school program limited to 3rd & 4th graders attending Julia Lee Moore Elementary School. The curriculum is thematic and rotates through six-semester before repeating. The emphasis is on basic communication with interactive instruction and a fast-pace. The children will use music, role-playing, dancing and games to learn Spanish in an immersion environment.</p>	<p>Instructor:</p> <p><i>Dr. Jennifer Parrack</i> assisted by graduate assistants from the UCA Dept. of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures & Cultures</p>

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