

# CHIN 0133: Beginning Taiwanese I

## COURSE SYLLABUS

Tuesdays (Group Class-Williams 421) and Thursday (Individual Session)

### Instructor

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### Course Description

Beginning Taiwanese CHIN 0133 is designed to help you learn enough about Taiwanese to enable you to handle your need adequately if you travel to Taiwan. At this survival level, you will learn to greet others, introduce yourself and handle basic social situation. You will also require the understanding of oral language typically heard in location such as grocery store, train station, and bus stop and night market. Self-study and classroom participation are equally important for this course. You should complete each assignment before class so that the teacher may review the work. You should attend individual session regularly. You will have weekly vocabulary quizzes and one final oral test. The preparation should include memorizing dialogue and listening to audio files.

This course will be conducted online. We will meet in synchronous Zoom sessions on **Tuesdays (group session) and a 10-minutes tutorial session on Thursdays (individual session)**. All class sessions will be recorded and available to view on Canvas individual section site a few hours later.

### Textbook

*Beginning Taiwanese (BT)*, by Grace Wu, Erudition Books, Inc, 2002

Textbook is available as downloadable PDFs on our Canvas course site. You can also find the audio files for each lesson.

### Evaluation

The course grade will consist the following components:

Quizzes	40%
Oral presentation (individual session)	40%
Final oral test	10%
Classroom participation	10%

## Weekly Topics

1. Course Introduction/ Oral Interview /Placement
2. Seven Tone of Taiwanese/ Taiwanese Phonetic Alphabet BT #1  
Greeting/Weather
3. BT # 2 Time/ Numbers
4. BT # 3 Name & Family
5. BT # 4 Day & Date
6. BT # 5 Go Shopping
7. BT # 6 Eating Food
8. BT # 7 Where Do You Live
9. BT # 8 Taking A Bus
10. BT # 9 Making A Phone Call
11. BT # 10 Paying A Visit
12. BT # 11 Watching the TV
13. **BT #12 Thanksgiving Week**
14. Review
15. Taiwanese Dinner  
Final Oral Test

## Weekly Schedule

Week	Tuesday	Thursday
<b>1</b>	<b>August 29</b> Course Introduction / The seven Tones of Taiwanese / BT #1	<b>31</b> Course Introduction / The seven Tones of Taiwanese / BT #1
<b>2</b>	<b>September 5</b> <b>Taiwanese Phonetic Alphabet/ BT #1</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>12</b> <b>BT # 2</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>19</b> <b>BT # 3</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>26</b> <b>BT # 4</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>October 3</b> <b>BT # 5</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Fall Break</b>

<b>Week</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>10</b> <b>BT #6</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Fall Break</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>17</b> <b>BT #7</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>24</b> <b>BT # 8</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>31</b> <b>BT # 9</b>	<b>November 2</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>7</b> <b>BT # 10</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>14</b> <b>BT 11</b>	<b>16</b> <b>No Individual Session</b> <i>(Please go to the End of Year De-stress Event (College 200) 5-7 p.m. on 12/11</i>
<b>13</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Individual Session</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Review</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Individual Session</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Taiwanese Dinner Party</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Final Oral Test</b>