



## Department of Modern Languages MINOR IN CHINESE STUDIES

### Minor Degree Program in Chinese Studies

The Minor Program in Chinese Studies is an interdisciplinary program offering specialized study of China and other Chinese speaking regions through coursework in the related disciplines of language and culture, anthropology, history, geography, philosophy, and political science. China's economic and political presence is increasingly prominent in the United States. CU Denver is uniquely positioned to make use of its location as the cultural, economic and political center of the Rocky Mountain region and of its diverse, well trained and highly qualified faculty to offer courses of interdisciplinary studies related to China. Students may choose to focus either on *General Chinese Studies* or *Chinese Language and Culture*. On the one hand, *General Chinese Studies* encourages an interdisciplinary approach of accepting courses from various departments that focus on history, political science, art, philosophy, and more from China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. On the other hand, *Chinese Language and Culture* further develops students' linguistic competence and cultural awareness. The minor program offers a wide variety and levels of Mandarin Chinese language and culture courses that not only improve students' communication skills but also give a deeper look into different aspects of Chinese culture.

### Study Abroad Opportunities

The Minor Program in Chinese Studies also offers a host of study abroad opportunities throughout the academic year and every summer. CU Denver has ongoing programs in Beijing and Taipei, as well as an association with Yunnan University in Kunming. Study abroad programs of five weeks to one year in length may be arranged, and program faculty can help students enroll in intensive Chinese language programs in Taiwan or on the mainland. Students pursuing the minor in Chinese language and area studies are encouraged to complete the program with a period of residence and study in China.

### Requirements for the Minor in Chinese Studies

The minor requires a minimum of 15 credit hours. A minimum of 9 credit hours must be taken from Downtown Denver Campus or ICB campus faculty. Courses taken at other institutions may be applied to the minor but only with approval of a Chinese faculty advisor in the Department of Modern Languages. All courses must be completed with a grade of C (2.0) or better.

#### ***Required Courses (6 credits)***

- CHIN 1000 – China and the Chinese or CHIN 1071 – Chinese for the Professions  
and
- CHIN 2110 – Intermediate Chinese I

***Elective Courses (9 credits minimum)***

- ANTH 4000 Food in China and Beyond
- CHIN 2120 Intermediate Chinese II
- CHIN 2970 Contemporary Chinese Cinema
- CHIN 3010 Advanced Intermediate Chinese
- CHIN 3200 Contemporary Chinese Society and Culture
- CHIN 3300 Special Topics on Chinese Film
- CHIN 4100 Methods of Teaching Chinese Immersion
- CHIN 4980 Special Topics in Chinese Language
- COMM 3230 Chinese Communication & Culture in Context
- COMM 4430 Communication, China, and the U.S.
- COMM 4995 Narratives of the New China
- MLNG 4690 Methods of Teaching Modern Languages I
- MLNG 4691 Methods of Teaching Modern Languages II
- LING 3100 Language in Society
- FINE 4524 Topics in Art History (topics that are related to arts of China)
- FINE 4750 Arts of China
- GEOG 3160 Geography of China
- HIST 4420 Traditional China: China to 1600
- HIST 4421 Modern China
- PSCI 4186 East Asia in World Affairs
- PSCI 4615 Politics and Government of China
- PSCI 4726 Russian and Chinese Foreign Policy
- PHIL 3666 Asian Philosophies and Religions
- PHIL 3981 Chinese Philosophy
- RLST 3410 Asian Philosophies and Religions
- RLST 3600 Comparative Religion: Religions of China

**Note: New courses may not appear in the course description section of the catalog. Contact for more information:**

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