

Guidelines for Chinese Course Selection

(for non-Chinese language background students)

1. The courses **LANG 1511** and **LANG 1513** are designed for non-Chinese language background students. If you are a native speaker or you attended schools that use Chinese as the medium of instruction and took Chinese public examination, please take the course(s) for Chinese language background students instead.
2. Students applying to the course **LANG 1513** are required to submit the HSK Chinese proficiency level test result for seeking requisite waiver. Please follow the steps below:

Step1: Download the [HSK Online app](#)

Step2: Choose language on the top right corner

Step3: Choose item “start learning now”

Step4: After answering two questions, choose item “Test my Chinese level”

Step5: Upload the result in the “Summer Study Plan” form on your *MyStudyAbroad* application system

3. Read the information in the table below carefully and take into account, the number of prior Chinese language tuition hours, roughly equivalent HSK level expected to achieve before taking the course(s), and then make an initial course choice that you think best suits you.

Chinese common LANG	Course code	Number of prior tuition hours	Equivalent HSK Chinese proficiency level expected before taking the course(s)
Speaking and listening courses	LANG 1511	0-50 hrs	HSK 1 or below
	LANG 1513	100-150 hrs	HSK 2 & 3

4. Please note that the courses [LANG 1411](#) and [LANG 1412](#) offered in Summer 2025 will be replaced by LANG 1511 and LANG 1513 respectively in Summer 2026. You may visit the relevant course webpages for more course information and consider if the content and assessment requirements are suitable for you.