

**Department of East Asian Studies Chinese Language Program
Student Language Background Questionnaire (March 2015)**

This questionnaire is to provide background information for the screening and placement for all CHINA language courses. Due to the characteristics of language acquisition, specific information about your background is needed for an accurate assessment of your language ability. Please answer the relevant questions accurately and fully; and write N/A if the question is not applicable to you. The department reserves the right to discontinue anyone from a class should his/her level be found to be higher than what is claimed on this questionnaire.

Name: _____ Student ID # _____

Faculty you are in: _____ Other: _____

Degree sought _____ what year are you in: _____ Other

Major _____ Minor _____

Previous degree/diploma: _____ when: _____

Do you plan to take East Asian studies as your major? Yes No

Do you plan to take East Asian studies as your minor? Yes No

Would you be interested in the Summer Chinese language Program in China? Yes No

Personal/educational background:

Place of birth: _____ Year of birth: _____

Where did you attend elementary school? _____

Where did you attend junior/senior high school? _____

Where did you complete Grade 12 or senior high school? _____ When? _____

Did you attend a Chinese-English bilingual program in Canada? Yes No

If yes, which school? _____ Which grades? _____

Did you attend an after school Chinese program? Yes No

If yes, when? _____ How long? _____

Did you take Chinese in elementary/secondary school? Yes No

If yes, which courses? _____

Have you ever been to or resided in any place(s) in Asia? Yes No

If yes, where _____ from when _____ to when _____

If you were not born in North America, when did you come? _____

Other _____

Language of instruction for schools you attended before you came to North America? _____

Chinese language and culture courses taken:

What Chinese language courses have you taken at the U. of Alberta/elsewhere, and when?

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

What Chinese language courses are you currently taking at the U. of Alberta/elsewhere?

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

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What Chinese culture courses have you taken at the U. of Alberta/elsewhere, and when?

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Language(s) and dialect(s) spoken:

What language(s) and dialect(s) can you speak other than English?

1) French: _____ 2) Mandarin: _____
3) Cantonese: _____ 4) Other(s): _____

What language(s) do you speak at home? _____

Do your parent(s) speak Chinese? Yes No

If yes, what dialect(s) Mandarin Cantonese Other _____

Knowledge of Chinese characters:

If you haven't taken Chinese language courses at the U of Alberta, do you know Chinese characters at all? Yes No

If yes, please estimate your level of using Chinese characters: _____ and _____

Where did you learn the Chinese characters? In school At home

Please indicate if you know: Traditional characters Simplified characters Pinyin
 Zhuyin (bo po mo fo)

I certify that the information in this form is true and complete in all respects and that I have withheld no information. I understand that misrepresentation, falsification of documents, or withholding of requested information regarding this application are serious offences and may result in prosecution under the University's Code of Student Behavior. Student information is collected under the authority of the Universities Act in accordance with Alberta's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of determining eligibility. For further details, see 23.9 of the University of Alberta Calendar or contact the Department of East Asian Studies, 780-492-2836.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

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The student is permitted to take: CHINA _____

The student is NOT permitted to take: _____

Screening officer signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Declaration: I have read and understood the screening and placement decision above.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____