

Hungkuang University Regulations for Chinese Language Proficiency Classification and Course Enrollment for International Students

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Article 1

To align with internationalization trends and to provide appropriate course planning based on students' Chinese language proficiency, Hungkuang University (hereinafter referred to as "the University") has formulated these "Regulations for Chinese Language Proficiency Classification and Course Enrollment for International Students" (hereinafter referred to as "the Regulations") as a reference for international students (including foreign and overseas Chinese students) in learning Chinese.

Article 2

Implementation Method:

Students who possess a "Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL)" or "Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK)" certificate obtained within two years prior to enrollment may be placed into levels based on their certificate grades, as detailed in Appendix 1. Other students will be assessed and placed by the University's Chinese Language Center through a standardized Chinese proficiency test.

Article 3

Chinese Course Enrollment Planning:

- International students may take Chinese language courses to fulfill General Education credit requirements.
- Students whose Chinese proficiency at entry does not meet the TOCFL Basic level or HSK Level 4 are required to complete and pass four semesters (one course per semester) of specially designated courses offered by the Chinese

Language Center during their freshman and sophomore years, as outlined in Appendix 2.

- Students whose Chinese proficiency at entry meets TOCFL Basic level or HSK Level 4 may choose to take advanced Chinese language courses (one course per semester) offered by the Chinese Language Center in their freshman year, as outlined in Appendix 3.
- Students who possess TOCFL certificates at Advanced level (or higher) or HSK Level 6 obtained within two years prior to enrollment may apply for course exemption for “Chinese Reading and Writing (I)” and “Chinese Reading and Writing (II).”

Article 4

International students with TOCFL Advanced level or HSK Level 5 may follow the General Education course enrollment mechanism of the University. Those who do not meet the above criteria must complete the "Hungkuang University General Education Course Plan for Non-Chinese Majors," which must be reviewed and approved by the General Education Center as the basis for course enrollment.

Article 5

General Education course credit requirements for international students are based on the total graduation credits listed by each department, with the following credit distribution:

- a. Core General Education Courses: 4 credits
- b. Fundamental and Category General Education Courses: 10–24 credits
- c. Courses offered by the Chinese Language Center: 4–16 credits (including 4 credits each for Elementary Chinese I & II and Advanced Chinese I & II)

Article 6

Any matters not covered by these Regulations shall be handled in accordance with relevant University regulations.

Article 7

These Regulations shall take effect after being reviewed and approved by the Chinese Language Center Council and the Chinese Language Center Curriculum Committee, submitted to the General Education Center Curriculum Committee for review, and approved by the University Curriculum Committee. The same procedure applies to any amendments.

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Appendix 1: TOCFL and HSK Proficiency Level Comparison Table

CEFR under A1	TOCFL Level	Vocabulary	HSK Level	Vocabulary
-	-	-	Level 1	150
-	-	-	Level 2	300
A1	Level 1 (Novice)	500	Level 3	600
A2	Level 2 (Basic)	1000	Level 4	1200
B1	Level 3 (Intermediate)	2500	Level 5	2500
B2	Level 4 (High)	5000	Level 6	5000+
C1	Level 5 (Fluent)	8000	-	-
C2	Level 6 (Master)	8000+	-	-

Appendix 2: Courses Required for Students Below TOCFL Basic or HSK Level

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Semester	Course	Credits
Freshman Fall	Elementary Chinese I	4
Freshman Spring	Elementary Chinese II	4
Sophomore Fall	Advanced Chinese I	4
Sophomore Spring	Advanced Chinese II	4

Appendix 3: Optional Courses for Students at TOCFL Basic or HSK Level 4

Semester	Course	Credits
Freshman Fall	Advanced Chinese I	4
Freshman Spring	Advanced Chinese II	4