DESCRIPTION

All PCC Chinese courses are taught using an immersion method. The objective of all Chinese courses at PCC is to help students to develop communicative competence and proficiency in comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing Chinese as well as cultural awareness. Students will learn traditional Chinese characters during their First Year Chinese courses and simplified characters during Second Year Chinese courses. Students who complete first and second year Chinese courses at PCC are strongly encouraged to continue their Chinese studies in 300 level courses. Assessment is based on consistent attendance, active participation, and written and oral assignments.

There are no requirements or prerequisites for entry into the first term of first year Chinese. However, the student should read the Chinese course descriptions for other Chinese courses. Students who have studied a language before and are unsure of their placement are encouraged to consult with a world language teacher since they will not be admitted to a course if their skill level is too advanced for that course.

All students who enroll in world language classes (including those on the waiting list) are expected to attend class the first day when material essential for completion of the course will be presented. Students who do not attend the first class session may be replaced by those who do attend.