# Subject Description Form

Please read the notes at the end of the table carefully before completing the form.

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<th>Subject Code</th>
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<td>Subject Title</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Chinese Communication（大學中文傳意）</td>
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<td>Credit Value</td>
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<td>Level</td>
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**Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion**

Remarks: For students entering with HKDSE Chinese subject result at Level 3 or equivalent

**Objectives**

This subject aims to foster students’ communicative competence in using both written and spoken Chinese to communicate effectively, appropriately, flexibly and politely in real situated social settings.

**Intended Learning Outcomes**

(Note 1)

Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:

(a) develop effective communication skills in written Chinese required for basic usage in the workplace such as email-letter, notice, news release, report, discussion, presentation and negotiation;

(b) master the written format, organization, language and style of expression of various genres of Chinese practical writing such as official correspondences, publicity materials, reports and proposals for communication;

(c) give formal presentation in Putonghua effectively and appropriately;

(d) engage in formal discussion in Putonghua effectively and politely.

**Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus**

(Note 2)

1. Enhancement of Basic Competence in Written Chinese and Skill of Summarizing

2. Written Chinese for Practical Purposes
   - Format, organization, language of each genre;
   - Coherence in Chinese writing
   - Style of expression of different genres such as official correspondences, publicity materials;
   - Context dependent stylistic variation
   - Appropriateness in communication

3. Enhancement of Basic Skills in Putonghua Pronunciation

4. Formal Presentation in Putonghua
   - Choice of words in Putonghua
   - The flow of speaking
   - Manner of speaking and gesture

5. Formal Discussion in Putonghua
   - Identification of main idea and key messages
   - Evaluation of relevancy of information in a message
Skills of summarizing
Agreeing/disagreeing/answering to questions politely

Teaching/Learning Methodology
(Note 3)

The subject will be conducted in Putonghua, in highly interactive seminars. The subject will motivate the students’ active participation by assigning group presentation/discussion in class. In a forum-like format, students are guided to:

(1) present to the class, their understanding of each genre designed for the syllabus for discussions and improvement;
(2) modify passages in a given genre/style into other genres/styles for addressing different audiences and purposes;
(3) give a power-point presentation in Putonghua in front of the whole class, then receive on spot feedback for discussion and improvement;
(4) prepare a written report/proposal on the same topic;
(5) engage in formal discussion in Putonghua on topics related to current issues and/or business operation;
(6) produce a written document on the same topic using a chosen genre.

E-learning materials for enhancing students’ proficiency in both Putonghua and written Chinese are included in Chinese LCR teaching. Students are expected to follow teachers’ guidelines and get access to the materials on e-Learning platform for self-study on voluntary basis.

Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes
(Note 4)

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<th>% weighting</th>
<th>Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)</th>
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<td>1. Written Assignment</td>
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<td>2. Oral Presentation</td>
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<td>3. Final Examination</td>
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Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:

Both written assignments and oral presentation will focus on the functions of communication and the appropriateness of language used in authentic social settings. The final examination aims to obtain an objective measurement of students’ basic competence in the use of Putonghua and written Chinese. It emphasizes on the accuracy of expression in both spoken and written forms. Explanations and exercises are provided in classroom teaching.

Students obtaining a subject pass must pass both components, i.e. the continuous assessment and examination of the subject. Students will get failure of the subject if he/she fails in either one of the two components.
### Student Study

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<td>e-Learning in Putonghua and Written Chinese</td>
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<td>Total student study effort</td>
<td>126 Hrs.</td>
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### Reading List and References

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**Note 1: Intended Learning Outcomes**

Intended learning outcomes should state what students should be able to do or attain upon completion of the subject. Subject outcomes are expected to contribute to the attainment of the overall programme outcomes.

**Note 2: Subject Synopsis/Indicative Syllabus**

The syllabus should adequately address the intended learning outcomes. At the same time over-crowding of the syllabus should be avoided.

**Note 3: Teaching/Learning Methodology**

This section should include a brief description of the teaching and learning methods to be employed to facilitate learning, and a justification of how the methods are aligned with the intended learning outcomes of the subject.

**Note 4: Assessment Method**

This section should include the assessment method(s) to be used and its relative weighting, and indicate which of the subject intended learning outcomes that each method purports to assess. It should also provide a brief explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes.