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Mandarin course completion



22nd May saw the successful accomplishment of 10 weeks' Mandarin teaching in this semester. The courses were delivered by video since early March. It turned to video and face to face personal tutorial since late Apr when the university re-opened. The dual teaching modes lasted until the end of the whole course. Many learners acknowledged the flexibility of the teaching modes and expressed their desire to live class and group work. As many

departments, it was the first time for the Confucius Institute to provide online teaching. Mandarin learners will have unlimited access to their registered course to refresh their memory. The online course will be re-posted in this summer and perhaps next semester to facilitate international students and staff who are temporarily blocked to come to China.

Alternative assessment methods for the Mandarin learners



If Mandarin learners cannot sit for the normal final assessment of their course, the alternative assessment method could be negotiated between the teacher and learners. Here is an example of an alternative assessment by an HSK 2 Mandarin learner who designed a poster with a certain theme to display her learning results in this semester.

Summer course for registration

The Mandarin course in the summer term is ready for registration. Two types of classes are available i.e. the face to face private course and online course with unlimited access. Please find the detailed information in the table below and let us know your request via email confucius.institute@nottingham.edu.cn

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| | Level 1 | Level 2 | | | | | | |
| Course hours | Level 1 20 | 20 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 40 | 40 | 40 |

Update about HSK tests



Thanks to the fully support from Security and Safety Office and Global Engagement Office, the first HSK test in this semester was held on 23^{rd} May. It was the first HSK test after the outbreak of Covid – 19 pandemic held by the UNNC CI. The Confucius Institute made full efforts to ensure the smooth operation of the day. For the following tests, the experience we accumulated will be valuable to refer.

Upcoming events

- 8.00-8.20pm 4 Jun (Beijing Time) -Live broadcast: Introduction to CI's Mandarin Course and Cultural Events, jointly operated by Global Recruitment Office via facebook (key in unncglobal)
- 9.00am 4.30pm 14 Jun HSK test @PB331 UNNC

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