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October

Mandarin Class for Autumn Semester



In this semester 3 types of Mandarin classes were offered to both offline learners and online learners. The 3 types classes include regular on-site class, online class — where the learners could interactive with teacher and on-site classmates directly, and video class — which the learners could learn at any time. We hope that the different types of class could to provide a better service to Mandarin learners

Lantern Riddles for National Holiday



8-9 Oct at the bridge near the Portland Building, lantern riddles were hung to invite students and staff to have fun of Chinese culture. Even the rain could not stop participants' passion. Over 400 riddles were used up within less than 2 hours. The lantern riddle game is a well know traditional game for Chinese people. Given by its artful way to reflect people's wisdom and knowledge, the game still attracts people's attend in modern days. The event also had an online version to facilitate overseas UNNCers and UNNC's partner university to participate in. This event is jointly organized by Confucius Institute, Department of Campus Life and Global Engagement Office, and executed by Mandarin Corner Society.

Public Benefit Chinese Painting Class Started



11 Oct at Room 330 Teaching Building, the Chinese painting class came to meet UNNC students and staff again. This is the fourth semester for the Confucius Institute to hold the Chinese painting class. As planned, 8 classes would be delivered in this semester with 3 of them took place in October and the rest in November. Due to the limited energy and capacity of the teacher, only 40 students and staff amongst more than 100 applicants got the chance to sit in the class. We hope more seats could be provided to our students and staff in near future. Special thanks to Ningbo Overseas Chinese Calligraphy and Painting Institute, Mr. Qingyu Li – the national first-class artist, and students from UNNC Calligraphy and Painting Society. The great efforts and supports from all the parties would make this class a great success.

Mandarin Corner Weekly Language Partner Project started



13 Oct at room 114 Portland Building, the language partner activity started. 53 pairs of international and Chinese students worked together to practice Mandarin via both online and offline. To show their improvements in Chinese language after several sessions' activity, the participants would present us with a short performance. Let's wait for their surprise. This activity would be held once a week and was a part of the university's Living in China Programme.

Culture Research at Ningbo Golden Lacquer Wood Carving Museum



16 Oct, about 40 representatives of Mandarin learners, PhD candidates and international students and staff visited the Ningbo Golden Lacquer Wood Carving Museum to appreciate the skill of this intangible cultural heritage and learn about the custom of local people's daily life and marriage culture. The craftsman showed the visitors how to embed the gold lacquer on the surface of wood carvings in order to created exquisite artworks. Through making a small piece of golden lacquer wood carving work, the visitors enhance their understanding of the wisdom, innovation and persistence of the skillful handcraft makers.

HSK Test



17 Oct at room 330 Portland Building, the first HSK test in this semester happened. 25 candidates sat for the exam. The next HSK test in UNNC will be on 20 Nov.

Upcoming Events

Mandarin Class ongoing

Offline, online, video classes

Chinese Painting Class ongoing

- 7.00-8.30pm 1 Nov @room 108 Teaching Building
- 7.00-8.30pm 8, 15, 22, 29 Nov @room 330 Teaching Building

Language Partner Activity ongoing

4.00-6.00pm 3, 10, 17, 24 Nov @room 114 Portland Building

Living in China Logo Design

- Submission deadline: 23.00 13 Nov 2021
- Submit via: https://www.wjx.top/vm/hdfmJAX.aspx
- Picture files, document files and compressed files formats are accepted

Municipal Mandarin Competition

- Mid-Nov
- @ Zhejiang Wanli University

HSK test

• 8.30am – 4.30pm 20 Nov @room 330 Portland Building



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