



Mandarin Program

# Mandarin Program at Concordia



Concordia offers a rigorous and varied Mandarin curriculum from PreSchool to Grade 12. Multiple levels of Mandarin courses are offered from Kindergarten to High School to meet students' needs and language development levels.

The Mandarin program at Concordia offers two pathways for students:

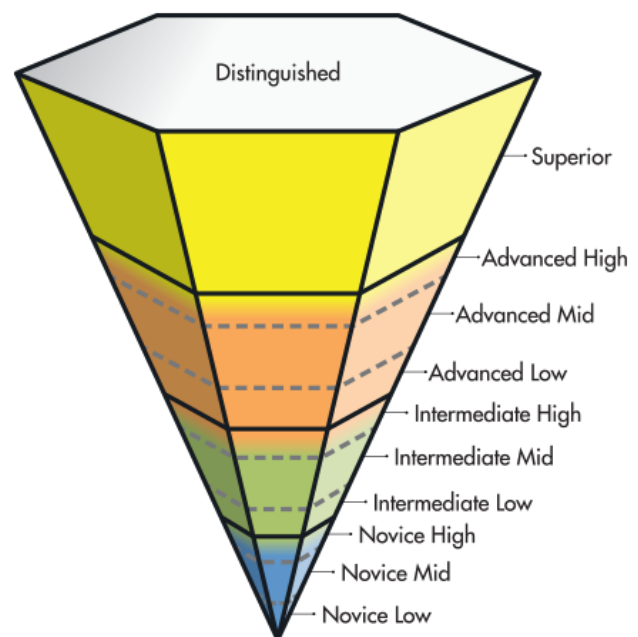
► Chinese Language & Literature (CLL)

The Chinese Language & Literature (CLL) pathway is designed for students with substantial exposure to Mandarin and/or for those who use Mandarin as a primary language at home. The main focus of this pathway is to enhance learners' literacy development, and appreciate its functionality and aesthetics. This pathway equips students to use Mandarin as a vehicle for expressing thought, creativity, and analysis, and for engaging in both social and academic interaction. Students are expected to engage with an increasing range and sophistication of literary and informational texts and works of literature that extend across genres, cultures, and historical periods.



► Chinese Language & Culture (CLC)

The Chinese Language & Culture (CLC) pathway is designed for students with varying degrees of exposure to Mandarin. This pathway helps students acquire linguistic skills and cultural awareness by interweaving the study of language and culture, and by guiding them through a progression of activities that include using authentic language through structured practice to produce creative, personalized expression and to analyze, evaluate, conclude, and predict through exploration of a variety of contexts. As the year progresses, students strive for greater proficiency in the three modes of communication: interpretive listening and reading; interpersonal speaking and writing; and presentational speaking and writing.



Inverted Pyramid Representing ACTFL Rating Scale with Major Ranges and Sublevels including Distinguished

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<b>Glossary of Terms</b>	
Acronym	ACTFL Proficiency Term
NH	Novice High
IL	Intermediate Low
IM	Intermediate Mid
IH	Intermediate High
Fdn.	Foundation
Int.	Intermediate
Adv.	Advanced

Please note that course offerings are based on student needs. Some courses may not be offered every year. Additionally, some adjacent courses may be combined in order to ensure an appropriate class size to optimize student proficiency with language learning.

<b>EC Mandarin Course Offering 2021-2022</b>		
Grade Level	Chinese Language & Literature (CLL)	Chinese Language and Culture (CLC)
Preschool	Pre-School Mandarin	
Pre-Kindergarten	Pre-Kindergarten Mandarin	
Kindergarten	K CLL	K CLC

<b>ES Mandarin Course Offering 2021-2022</b>				
Chinese Language & Literature (CLL)			Chinese Language and Culture (CLC)	
G1 CLL			G1 CLC Int.	G1 CLC Novice
G2 CLL	G2 CLL Fnd.		G2 CLC Int.	G3 CLC Novice
G3 CLL Adv.	G3 CLL Int.	G3 CLL Fnd.	G3 CLC Int.	G3 CLC Novice
G4 CLL Adv.	G4 CLL Int.	G4 CLL Fnd.	G4 CLC Int.	G4 CLC Novice

<b>MS Mandarin Course Offering 2021-2022</b>					
Chinese Language & Literature (CLL)		Chinese Language and Culture (CLC)			
		CLC-IH	CLC-IM	CLC-IL	CLC-NH
G5 CLL Adv.	G5 CLL Int.	G5 CLC IH	G5 CLC IM	G5 CLC IL	G5 CLC NH
G6 CLL Adv.	G6 CLL Int.	G6 CLC IH	G6 CLC IM	G6 CLC IL	G6 CLC NH
G7 CLL Adv.	G7 CLL Int.	G7 CLC IH	G7 CLC IM	G7 CLC IL	G7 CLC NH
G8 CLL Adv.	G8 CLL Int.	G8 CLC IH	G8 CLC IM	G8 CLC IL	G8 CLC NH

<b>HS Mandarin Course Offering 2021-2022</b>						
Grade Level	Chinese Language & Literature (CLL)	Chinese Language and Culture (CLC)				
G9-12	CLL- *Business *Literature *Mass Media	CLC- Advanced	CLC-IH	AP Mandarin	CLC-IM	CLC-NH/IL