LANGUAGES AND CULTURAL STUDIES
Course guide

FALL 2024

PROFESSIONAL and PUBLIC PROGRAMS
Continuing Education at UTEP

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Professional and Public Programs knows that language skills are a valuable tool for advancement. Learning a new language is a fun, useful way to keep your brain sharp and expand your knowledge of other cultures, places and people. Learning a new language with us is

- Affordable and convenient
- Fun and engaging
- An opportunity to learn, network and build confidence

Classes are available for Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and more.

Course content may vary depending on the instructor and participants, allowing for a stress-free and flexible approach to learning new language skills.
**FEATURED COURSES**

**SIGN LANGUAGE**

American Sign Language

**Beginner - BG1**

Study the basic elements of sign language, including the alphabet, everyday greetings and numbers.

**Start Date:** Saturday, September 14, 2024  
**Fee:** $120  
**Early Bird Registration Fee:** $108

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**UTEPI Employees and Retirees Discounts**

Current and retired UTEP employees may receive a **15% discount** on eligible courses*.

*Discounts do not apply to certain programs, including but not limited to: The English Language Institute Core Program and online courses. Discounts outlined here may not be combined with any other discounts.

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EXTENDED LANGUAGE PROGRAMS
FALL, SPRING AND SUMMER

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FACE-TO-FACE
English, French, Sign Language, Spanish
FACE-TO-FACE COURSES
All the following courses are offered for ages 18 and older unless otherwise specified.

**CHINESE**

**Introductory Mandarin Chinese**
Learn to speak elementary Chinese, including pronunciation and common greetings; also learn how to read and write a few basic Chinese characters.

- **Start Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024
- **Fee:** $189
- **Early Bird Registration Fee:** $169
  
  ➔ Click here to register

**Fundamental Mandarin Chinese I - (Ages 16 and Up)**
Progress with learning Mandarin; learn additional vocabulary and how to read and write some basic traditional Chinese characters. Prerequisite: Introductory Chinese or equivalent level of Chinese language proficiency approved by the teacher/principal.

- **Start Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024
- **Fee:** $189
- **Early Bird Registration Fee:** $169
  
  ➔ Click here to register

**Fundamental Mandarin Chinese II**
Progress in your learning of Chinese (Mandarin). Prerequisite: Fundamental Chinese I or equivalent level of Chinese language proficiency approved by the teacher/principal.

- **Start Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024
- **Fee:** $189
- **Early Bird Registration Fee:** $169
  
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**Intermediate Mandarin Chinese**
Get comfortable speaking, reading and writing Chinese; you will learn more vocabulary and read and write more as well. Prerequisite: Fundamental Chinese II or equivalent level of Chinese language proficiency approved by the teacher/principal.

- **Start Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024
- **Fee:** $189
- **Early Bird Registration Fee:** $169
  
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**Advanced Mandarin Chinese**
Learn more advanced vocabulary; the emphasis will be on reading and writing Chinese. Prerequisite: Intermediate Chinese (vocabulary of around 1,000 words) or equivalent level of Chinese language proficiency approved by the teacher/principal.

- **Start Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024
- **Fee:** $189
- **Early Bird Registration Fee:** $169
  
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**YOUTH CHINESE**

**Fundamental Mandarin Chinese I (Ages 5 to 15)**
Progress with learning Mandarin; learn additional vocabulary and how to read and write some basic traditional Chinese characters. Prerequisite: Introductory Chinese or equivalent level of Chinese language proficiency approved by the teacher/principal.

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### FRENCH

**Intensive French Program for Beginners**

Designed for students with no previous exposure to French. Develop basic listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills at the novice-high level. This is an introductory course for students with no previous exposure to French.

**Beginners - BG1**
- Start Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2024
- Fee: $175
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
  - Click here to register

**Beginners - BG2**
- Start Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024
- Fee: $175
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
  - Click here to register

**Beginners - BG3**
- Start Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024
- Fee: $175
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
  - Click here to register

### KOREAN

**Korean for Beginners**

Develop a basic level of communication, vocabulary and grammar.

**Beginners - BG1**
- Start Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2024
- Fee: $155
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $139.20
  - Click here to register

**Beginners - BG2**
- Start Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024
- Fee: $155
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $139.20
  - Click here to register

**Beginners - BG3**
- Start Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024
- Fee: $155
- Early Bird Registration Fee: $139.20
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SIGN LANGUAGE

American Sign Language - BG1
Study the basic elements of sign language, including the alphabet, everyday greetings and numbers.
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American Sign Language - Intermediate
Learn the alphabet and practice essential vocabulary and phrases to communicate properly with basic signs.

Intermediate - IM1
Start Date: Monday, August 26, 2024
Fee: $120
Early Bird Registration Fee: $108
→ Click here to register

Intermediate - IM2
Start Date: Monday, October 7, 2024
Fee: $120
Early Bird Registration Fee: $108
→ Click here to register

Intermediate - IM3
Start Date: Monday, November 18, 2024
Fee: $120
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SIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR

Gabriella Marcial

A graduate of the EPCC ITP program and a native El Pasoan, Gabriella has her Associate’s in American Sign Language Interpreting and a Certificate of Deaf Studies and ASL Prep. She lives with her husband and enjoys staying active and reading, practicing her ASL, and taking any opportunity to grow and learn.
The following are the face-to-face Languages and Cultural Studies courses we will have available this fall.

All face-to-face programming is subject to migration online depending on the variability of local and/or national COVID case numbers.

For complete details about other Fall 2024 courses, visit ppp.utep.edu/languages

Recent studies have even shown that bilingual children can be better at understanding other people’s thoughts and feelings. This helps them develop important social and emotional skills, and also makes them more efficient and attentive.

Click here to read more.

WHAT IS LANGUAGE?

A language consists of a set of words and sounds used in a structured way and is communicated between people through speaking, writing and gestures. Language is specifically the human capacity for acquiring and using complex systems of acoustic as well as kinesic signals to express thoughts and feelings.

Click here to read more.

SPANISH

Intensive Spanish Program for Beginners

Learn basic, communicative Spanish grammar and vocabulary, as well as linguistic and cultural strategies to improve communication.

Beginners - BIM1
Start Date: Monday, August 26, 2024
Fee: $175
Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
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Beginners - BIM2
Start Date: Monday, October 7, 2024
Fee: $175
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Beginners - BIM3
Start Date: Monday, November 18, 2024
Fee: $175
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Intensive Spanish Program: Intro to Basics

Learn Spanish as a tool to receive and transmit information, emotions, experiences and opinions.

Intro to Basics - IBS1
Start Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2024
Fee: $175
Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
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Intro to Basics - IBS2
Start Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024
Fee: $175
Early Bird Registration Fee: $157.50
→ Click here to register

Intro to Basics - IBS3
Start Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024
Fee: $175
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LIVE/ONLINE COURSES
All the following courses are offered live/online for ages 18 and older.

JAPANESE

Japanese for Beginners - B4
Gain a level of understanding of basic Japanese (100 Kanji, 800 vocabulary words = 118 classroom hours). **Recommended:** Completion of 6 levels of Japanese for Beginners and/or minimum of hiragana and katakana. **LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE;** offered online using Zoom.

**Start date:** Tuesday, August 27, 2024
**Fee:** $133
**Early Bird Registration Fee:** $119.70

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Japanese for Low-Intermediate IM3
Gain a level of understanding of basic Japanese (300 Kanji, 1,500 vocabulary words = 140 classroom hours). **Recommended:** Completion of 6 levels of Japanese for Beginners and/or minimum of hiragana and katakana. **LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE;** offered online using Zoom.

**Start date:** Monday, August 26, 2024
**Fee:** $133
**Early Bird Registration Fee:** $119.70

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Japanese for High-Intermediate IMH3
Gain a level of understanding of basic Japanese (300 Kanji, 1,500 vocabulary words = 140 classroom hours). **Recommended:** Completion of 6 levels of Japanese for Beginners and/or minimum of hiragana and katakana. **LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE;** offered online using Google Hangouts.

**Start date:** Monday, August 26, 2024
**Fee:** $133
**Early Bird Registration Fee:** $119.70

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ONLINE COURSES
All the following courses are offered online for ages 18 and older.

Pricing for the following courses is available on the course website; simply follow the “Click here to register” link under each course description to get more information.

Note: *Additional course dates may be available, please check the links for details.

FRENCH

Beginning Conversational French
Learn correct French pronunciation using a logical, systematic method.
Instructor-Led*
Start Date: August 14, 2024
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Start Date: September 11, 2024
⇒ Click here to register

Self-Paced*
Start Date: Anytime
⇒ Click here to register

ITALIAN

Instant Italian
Express yourself comfortably and communicate effectively in Italian in a wide variety of settings.
Instructor-Led*
Start Date: August 14, 2024
⇒ Click here to register
Start Date: September 11, 2024
⇒ Click here to register

Self-Paced*
Start Date: Anytime
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JAPANESE

Conversational Japanese
Learn useful words and phrases for conversing as you master the essentials of the Japanese language.
Instructor-Led*
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This was an amazing course! The language is beautiful, the teacher is so engaged, driven and knowledgeable. Planning on coming back!

Languages Student, Spring 2023

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**SIGN LANGUAGE**

**Discover Sign Language**
Learn how to sign basic phrases and complete sentences and how to put it all together, so you can introduce yourself and start a conversation.

**Instructor-Led**
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**Self-Paced**
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**Discover Sign Language II**
Build on your knowledge of Sign Language; learn to construct phrases and sentences and add to your vocabulary.

**Instructor-Led**
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Start Date: September 11, 2024
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**Self-Paced**
Start Date: Anytime
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**Discover Sign Language Series**
A combination of Discover Sign Language Levels 1 and II. Learn how to sign basic phrases and complete sentences and how to put it all together, so you can introduce yourself and start a conversation. Also learn new vocabulary plus how to build phrases and sentences with vocabulary previously learned.

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**SPANISH**

**Spanish for Law Enforcement**
Master basic Spanish to be more effective in handling law enforcement situations involving Spanish-speaking victims, witnesses or criminals.

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**Spanish for Medical Professionals**
Get the basic tools you need to bridge the communication gap with Spanish-speaking patients.

**Instructor-Led**
- Start Date: August 14, 2024
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**Self-Paced**
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**Spanish in the Classroom**
Learn essential Spanish for teachers and bridge the communication gap with your Spanish-speaking students and parents.

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**Speed Spanish**
Learn Spanish quickly with the help of six easy recipes for gluing Spanish words together to form sentences; designed for anyone who wants to learn Spanish quickly.

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**COVID-19 PRECAUTION STATEMENT**

Please stay home if you have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. If you have tested positive for COVID-19, prior to, after, and/or during your time enrolled in your course(s), you are highly encouraged to report your results to covidaction@utep.edu as well as to let our office know at ppp@utep.edu.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that people in areas of substantial or high COVID-19 transmission wear face masks when indoors in groups of people. The best way that we can take care of ourselves and others is to get the vaccine. If you still need the vaccine, it is widely available in the El Paso area. For more information about the current rates, testing, and vaccinations, please visit epstrong.org.

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**Speed Spanish II**
Become more conversational and comfortable in Spanish-speaking situations. Improve your Spanish fluency, vocabulary and pronunciation.

**Instructor-Led**

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**Speed Spanish III**
The final installment of a three-part Speed Spanish Learning Series; learn the final six recipes that will serve as templates to help you create any Spanish sentence you want.

**Instructor-Led**

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**Speed Spanish Series**
Learn Spanish quickly with the help of six easy recipes for gluing Spanish words together to form sentences with this three-part series.

**Instructor-Led**

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**WRITING & PUBLISHING**

**Grammar Refresher**
Develop English grammar skills and take your writing and speaking to the next level.

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Socorro (Soco) began her career at UTEP in 2005 as a part-time customer service representative with PACE, which was the name of Professional and Public Programs at that time. She was born in Durango, raised in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, and moved to El Paso in 1995. She holds a Bachelor in Business Administration with a Minor in Finance from the Instituto Tecnológico de Ciudad Juárez.

Soco strives to provide excellence through accessible programs that positively impact the well-being of the community. She is a current, active member of the UTEP Staff Council, Certified Programming Professional C2P, Certified Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt, and a proud mother of two children and several four-legged fur babies.

Favorite inspirational quote: “You’re alive. You have infinite Potential, work with Passion for what you want; while doing this, be Positive no matter what comes to you, and Pardon to finalize with Peace in your life.”