

# CLC211 Chinese Language in Singapore from Social Perspectives (社会视角下的新加坡华语)

**Level:** 2

**Credit Units:** 5 Credit Units

**Language:** CHINESE

**Presentation Pattern:** EVERY JULY

## Synopsis:

CLC211 studies the use of the Chinese language in Singapore from social perspectives, with particular reference to Mainland China, Taiwan and Hong Kong. Linguistic phenomena, characteristics, and development of the varieties of Chinese used in these countries are examined. Students will gain a better understanding of the relationship between language and society, and the linguistic and social factors affecting the use of the Chinese language as a communicative tool in society.

## Topics:

- The social nature of language and its characteristics
- The relationship between language evolution and social evolution
- Overview of the Chinese language in Singapore
- Characteristics of the Chinese language in Singapore
- The relationship between the Chinese language in Singapore and in China, Hong Kong and Taiwan
- Differences in vocabulary between the Chinese language in Singapore and in China, Hong Kong and Taiwan
- The influence of the Chinese dialects, English and Malay on the Chinese language in Singapore
- Unique regional new words in the Chinese language in Singapore
- “Same words but different meaning and same meaning but different words”: Difference between the Chinese Language in Singapore and in other Chinese-speaking regions
- Differences between the grammar of the Chinese language in Singapore and modern standard Chinese language grammar
- The impact of language policies on the Chinese language in Singapore
- The current situation and prospects of Chinese language in Singapore

## Learning Outcome:

- 评价汉语的社会特征和发展
- 从社会发展的角度描述新加坡华文的发展趋势、特点和使用情况
- 发展对社会因素对语言使用 and 发展的影响，以及社会与语言之间的关系的认识
- 阐释汉语的社会特征和发展因素
- 分析新加坡华文的使用、特点和发展
- 说明社会因素（如社会心理学、发展、沟通）如何影响新加坡华语的使用

## Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Daytime Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	25

Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 2	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

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