Sogang University Korean Culture & Language Immersion - Beginning

Course Name	Korean Language & Culture Course	Credit	6 (2 courses)
Class Time	M - F, 9:00 - 16:30 (lunch period 13:00 - 14:30)	Course Code	

Course Outline

This course is for beginners learning Korean for the first time in their life. The students learn phonics, the character system of the Korean language and basic conversational skills to survive in Korea. By learning basic grammar, vocabulary, conversation, reading, listening and writing as well as Korean culture in a categorized and integrated methodology using various teaching materials, the students effectively obtain the minimum communication skills necessary to survive in Korean society through step-by-step practice that can then develop in the socio-cultural dimension.

For the culture classes, students spend the afternoons taking interactive culture activities. In addition, students take outings into the city with their instructors or teaching assistants to complete assignments that help them practice their Korean language skills in a real world setting. Destinations include historical sites and other local points of interest. Students also participate in culture-related group projects with Korean college students.

Course objectives

The objective of this course is to provide beginner level learners with a minimum linguistic ability to survive in Korean society by studying sounds, the alphabet, basic grammar and vocabulary. After the course, the students should be able to speak simple Korean; give a self-introduction, ask for directions and information on locations, go shopping,tell the time, issue greetings, make congratulatory remarks and involve themselves in simple Q&As about daily life. By obtaining the cultural knowledge, customs and manners inherent to the language, on top of fluency and accuracy in using the language, the students build the ability to use Korean with enough ease and comfort that they should not feel the psychological burden of embarrassment that an adult learner could otherwise feel.

Korean Language Schedule

Week 1					
Day	Unit	Subject/Task			
1	Korean Phonics and Alphabet 1				
2	Korean Phonics and Alphabet 2				
3	Korean Phonics and Alphabet 3				
4	Korean Phonics and Alphabet 4				
5	Preparation 1	Preparation 1 Expressions related to names of people, countries, occupations and greetings			

Week 2					
Day	Unit	Grammar Point/Expression	Subject/Task		
6	Preparation 2	"How do you say it in Korean?"	Name of object, possession & compliment		
7	Preparation 3	Numbers in pure Korean, measurement nouns and & "How many are there?"	Ordering & purchasing an item		
8	Preparation 4	Subject particle, sentence structure, place nouns	How to get there?		
9		Numbers originating from Chinese	Asking about the price		
10	Chapter 1	Numbers originating from Chinese, expressions related to telephone numbers, prices of object & dates	of objects and telephone conversations, finding out information about friends		

Week 3					
Day	Unit	Unit Grammar Point/Expression			
11	Chantar 2	Expression of time (numbers in	Asking times, finding		
12	Chapter 2	Chinese, numbers in pure Korean, hours and minutes), verb usage 1, "Where are you going? What are you doing?"	out time schedules, simple conversations with people on street		
13	Review and quiz for Chapters 1 & 2				
14	Chantar 2	Usage of particles 'eul/leul', verb	Investigating		
15	Chapter 3	conjugation 2, "What day is it today?"	preferences, holidays, favorite places		

Week 4					
Day	Unit	Grammar Point/Expression	Subject/Task		
16	Chantar 4	Past tense (-utsseoyo), negative	Talking about		
17	Chapter 4	sentences (an-), time expressions (year, month, week and day), "When / why / what did you do?"	yesterday, last week, last holiday, personal experiences		

18	Review and quiz for Chapters 3 & 4				
19	Chantar F	Expressions of intention (-ruh gada), nouns for location	Looking for lost items		
20	Chapter 5	(above / below / front / back / left / right)	and finding directions		

Week 5					
Day	Unit	Grammar Point/Expression	Subject/Task		
21	Chantan	Instructions and prohibitions (-seyo, -ji	How to get to tourist		
22	Chapter 6	maseyo), hopeful expression (-go shipda), means of transportation, "How do you get there?"	destinations in Seoul, how to ask locations, culture, ordering game		
23	Term end written examination				

Korean Culture Schedule (Sample Activities)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Dorm check-in	Placement Test	Orientation & Meeting with Language Buddy	K-style Club	Cooking Class	2-day field Trip (Extra Fee)	
-	Martial Art Taekwondo	Mask Dance Talchum	Calligraphy	Survival Quiz Show	Cheering at Baseball game	-
-	Koglish Quiz	War Memorial Museum	Sejong Story	Traditional Games	Nonverbal Performance Nanta	Seoul Hiking
-	Learning K-pop Dance	Samulnori	Temple Experience	Final Presentation	Completion Ceremony	Dorm check-out