

Mongolian (MONGOLN)

MONGOLN 1A Elementary Mongolian 5 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2015

A beginning Mongolian course dedicated to developing basics in listening, speaking, and reading Standard Khalkha Mongolian, writing in Cyrillic script, but with exposure to traditional script.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

MONGOLN 1B Elementary Mongolian 5 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2016

A continuation of Mongolian 1A, this course continues training students in basic listening, speaking, and reading Standard Khalkha Mongolian, using Cyrillic script and introducing traditional script.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Mongolian 1A or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

MONGOLN 110 Literary Mongolian 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024

This course studies literary Mongolian, literature written in traditional Mongolian vertical script.

It covers historical texts of the Mongol empire, Mongolian Buddhism, early twentieth century

Mongolian governments, and diverse Mongolian peoples. The fall semester offers a regular

introduction to the language. Students learn basic skills covering phonology, grammar, the vertical writing system, and its relationship to spoken language. Over the second half of the course, students immerse themselves reading texts. For spring, students continue reading texts ranging in difficulty from intermediate to advanced. This course is intended for students with facility in literary Mongolian. Prerequisite: introductory course or instructor permission.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes. Students may enroll in multiple sections of this course within the same semester.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

MONGOLN 116 The Mongol Empire 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Fall 2022, Spring 2022

This course examines the Mongol Empire founded by Chinggis Khan.

We will study the empire from the time its founding in 1206 until its decline in the mid-14th century. The greater extent of the course covers the matter of the Mongol conquest: military technologies, methods and strategies, logistics, and the events of specific battles and actions.

These events are framed in the context of the Mongolian culture: its scientific, political, and economic systems and over-arching worldview.

The course also covers what comes from the conquest in terms not only of destruction but what the Mongols make of the world they've won.

Readings for the course are of primary sources in translation.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

MONGOLN C117 Mongolian Buddhism 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024

This course covers the history of Mongolian Buddhism from its inception in the Yuan dynasty to the present. The importance of Mongolian Buddhism to the greater dharma lies not only with the ways of its priests but also with the means of its patrons, the Mongol aristocracy, in forging a distinctive tradition in Inner Asia and disseminating it throughout the world. While maintaining a historical thread throughout, this course will examine in detail some of the tradition's many facets, including Mongolian-Buddhist politics, the politics of incarnation, the establishment of monasteries, economics, work in the sciences, astral science and medicine, ritual practice, literature, sculpture and painting, music and dance, and more.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: BUDDSTD C117

MONGOLN 118 Modern Mongolia 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018

This course examines the modern history of Mongolia. Beginning from the Mongols' heritage as imperial nomads who uphold a dual custom, the Buddhist religion and the Manchu Qing dynastic state, it discusses how this order came to be threatened by, and ultimately dissolve under, the political pressures imposed by modern thought and the certain governments that espoused it. With this, it focuses on how, navigating through the chaos that ensued with the falls of the Russian Empire and Qing Dynasty, the Mongols were able to come to found a sovereign government of their own. Readings for the course are of primary sources in translation.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

MONGOLN 298 Directed Study for Graduate Students 1 - 8 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2024

Special tutorial or seminar on selected topics not covered by available courses or seminars.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-8 hours of independent study per week

Summer:

6 weeks - 2.5-20 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1.5-15 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

MONGOLN 299 Thesis Preparation and Related Research 1 - 8 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2024

Supervised individual study and research.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-8 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Graduate

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

MONGOLN 601 Individual Study for Master's Students 1 - 8 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

Individual study for the comprehensive or language requirements in consultation with the graduate adviser. Units may not be used to meet either unit or residence requirements for a master's degree.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-8 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Graduate examination preparation

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

MONGOLN 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students 1 - 8 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

Individual study in consultation with the major field adviser, intended to provide an opportunity for qualified students to prepare for various examinations required of candidates for the Ph.D.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-8 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Mongolian/Graduate examination preparation

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.