



Certificate Courses in Foreign Languages

Department of Language and Literature

Chinese | Japanese | French
German | Spanish

Certificate Course in Chinese Language

The Chinese language programme has been successfully run at Somaiya Vidyavihar for over 15 years, with some of the best faculty in the city. The various levels are linked to the relevant HSK exams and at the end of each level, students become eligible to undertake internationally accredited exams, if they so wish. Language skills are supported by continuous

exposure to Chinese culture, history and business. The success of our programme is reflected in the number of students who have gone on to win scholarships to study in China and Chinese speaking countries, whether for further language studies or for graduate and postgraduate studies.

Duration

Level I: 5 Months (40 Hrs)

Level II: 6 Months (50 Hrs)

Level III: 7 Months (60 Hrs)

Level IV: 1 Year (96 Hrs)

Level V: 10 Months (160 Hrs)

Level VI: 11 Months (200 Hrs)

Eligibility

Level I:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board

Level II:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level I from our Institute or equivalent

Level III:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level II from our Institute or equivalent

Level IV:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level III from our Institute or equivalent

Level V:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level IV from our Institute or equivalent

Level VI:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level V from our Institute or equivalent

Fees Structure

- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level I - ₹ 10,100/-
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level II - ₹ 11,150/-
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level III - ₹ 12,150/-
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level IV - ₹ 15,200/-
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level V - ₹ 18,200/-
- Certificate Course in Chinese Language Level VI - ₹ 22,000/-

Certificate Course in Japanese Language

The highlight of the Japanese language programme is the number of cultural events that are organised on our campus that give students a glimpse of calligraphy, tea ceremony, origami etc. For several years now, our campus has hosted the Japanese song contest for the

city of Mumbai. Our faculty are drawn from the most experienced in the field and our syllabi are geared to equip the student to take the JLPT examination after every two levels.

Duration

Level I: 6 Months (90 Hrs)

Level II: 6 Months (90 Hrs)

Level III: 7 Months (100 Hrs)

Level IV: 8 Months (120 Hrs)

Level V: 10 Months (135 Hrs)

Eligibility

Level I:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board

Level II:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level I from our Institute or equivalent

Level III:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level II from our Institute or equivalent

Level IV:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level III from our Institute or equivalent

Level V:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level IV from our Institute or equivalent

Fees Structure

- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level I - ₹ 10,100/-
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level II - ₹ 12,150/-
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level III - ₹ 14,200/-
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level IV - ₹ 16,200/-
- Certificate Course in Japanese Language Level V - ₹ 22,000/-

Certificate Course in French Language

The French language programmes at Somaiya Vidyavihar as the teaching-learning includes fascinating aspects of French literature, food, history and cultural traditions. Taught by faculty who are

among the best in the field, our syllabus is so designed that students can take DELF examinations after every two levels if they also want internationally recognised qualifications.

Duration

Level I: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level II: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level III: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level IV: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level V: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level VI: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Eligibility

Level I:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board

Level II:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in French Language Level I from our Institute or equivalent

Level III:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in French Language Level II from our Institute or equivalent

Level IV:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in French Language Level III from our Institute or equivalent

Level V:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in French Language Level IV from our Institute or equivalent

Fees Structure

- Certificate Course in French Language Level I - ₹ 10,100/-
- Certificate Course in French Language Level II - ₹ 11,150/-
- Certificate Course in French Language Level III - ₹ 12,150/-
- Certificate Course in French Language Level IV - ₹ 15,200/-
- Certificate Course in French Language Level V - ₹ 18,200/-
- Certificate Course in French Language Level VI - ₹ 22,000/-

Certificate Course in Spanish Language

The Spanish language programmes at Somaiya Vidyavihar are popular for the wide range of skills students acquire, including fascinating aspects of Spanish literature, food, history and cultural traditions.

Taught by faculty who are among the best in the field, our syllabus is so designed that students can take DELE examinations if they also want internationally recognised qualifications.

Duration

Level I: 4 Months (32 Hrs)

Level II: 4 Months (32 Hrs)

Level III: 4 Months (32 Hrs)

Level IV: 4 Months (32 Hrs)

Eligibility

Level I:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board

Level II:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level I from our Institute or equivalent

Level III:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level II from our Institute or equivalent

Level IV:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level III from our Institute or equivalent

Fees Structure

- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level I - ₹ 10,100/-
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level II - ₹ 12,150/-
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level III - ₹ 14,200/-
- Certificate Course in Spanish Language Level IV - ₹ 16,200/-

Certificate Course in German Language

The German language programmes at Somaiya Vidyavihar includes fascinating aspects of German language nuances, history and cultural traditions. Taught by faculty who are among the best in the field,

our syllabus is so designed that students can take Goethe Zertifikat examinations after every two levels if they also want internationally recognised qualifications.

Duration

Level I: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Level II: 4 Months (60 Hrs)

Eligibility

Level I:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board

Level II:

- HSC or equivalent examination from a recognised board
- Certificate Course in German Language Level I from our Institute or equivalent (A1.1 level)

Fees Structure

- Certificate Course in German Language Level I - ₹ 12,000/-
- Certificate Course in German Language Level II - ₹ 14,000/-

Our Top Mentors

Ms Tarka S. Indulkar is a visiting faculty member in the Department of Language and Literature at S K Somaiya College. She has a Bachelor's in French Studies with Italian as a second language and Master's in French from the University of Mumbai. She's also finished B1 Diplôme d'études en Langue Française from Alliance Française de Bombay. Ms Indulkar attended Stage de formation en Traduction (Certificate in translation) in the years 2015 & 2016 organised by L'université Sorbonne Nouvelle-Paris 3. She is a published translator and has translated numerous documents for various French & Indian companies and Swiss & Senegalese governments. She has been teaching at Somaiya Vidyavihar University since 2016 and has helped countless students to achieve their goals and pass international exams.

Ms Tarka S. Indulkar

Pranali Mehta is a German Language expert and has been teaching it for the past 7 years. She holds an MA in German from the University of Mumbai with a specialisation in Translation. She has been a faculty member at University of Mumbai for part-time as well as full-time courses. She is a German language translator for legal and other official documents. Ms Mehta has a passion for teaching and has trained over 300 students for international examinations from Level 1 to Level 4 in German Language.

Ms Pranali Mehta

Ms Revati Kurundwad is a visiting teacher of Japanese at S K Somaiya College of Somaiya Vidyavihar University. She holds a BA in Economics-statistics and is currently pursuing an MBA in Finance. Ms Kurundwad has completed the Japanese Language International exam (JLPT) Level N2 along with a Business Japanese course. She has a teaching experience of 7 years at various institutes and has also worked as a Japanese Interpreter and Translator for various projects. She also has completed Spanish Language International exam 'DELE' Level B1.

Ms Revati Kurundwad

Mr Indranil Bhole holds a number of degrees in engineering, management, and Chinese, as well as a wealth of experience as a technocrat spanning over 34 years. An ardent desire to study Chinese language and culture motivated him to study up to HSK4 level exams from Hanban, Beijing. Since 2011, he has trained numerous students for Hanban examinations and has been consultant / language trainer to 10 Indian commercial enterprises dealing with China. He has specific research interest in the Chinese politics and defense arena, as applied to India and Indian Ocean Region.

Mr Indranil Bhole

Neha Sharma is a linguist with over a decade of experience teaching Spanish as a foreign language at some of the country's prestigious universities. She has a NET certificate as well as an MA and MPhil in Spanish. In 2011, the UGC awarded her with a research fellowship. Her research focused on the literature of women in the modern Hispanic world, and she has presented papers in national and international conferences. With 4 years of industry experience working with companies such as TCS and Accenture, she has a good grasp of the importance and need for languages in the Indian market.

Ms Neha Sharma

Student Testimonials

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I have been studying Mandarin at Somaiya Vidyavihar for the past three years. I have completed my HSK II and HSK III under the guidance of Professor Dr Satyendra Upadhyay and will soon finish my HSK IV in the coming weeks.

Satyendra sir uses simple language to explain the concepts behind Chinese characters and words, ensuring that we actually understand the language instead of plain rote learning. One of the best parts of learning under him was the additional information he shared alongside the regular course material.

Even during the pandemic, Somaiya Vidyavihar and Satyendra sir have ensured that we managed to attend the lectures online. When things have been busy at work, I still managed to keep up with learning Chinese because of this added flexibility.

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Joel Joseph
Chinese - Level IV

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I am a third-year BA (Psychology) student at K J Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce, and alongside, I am also learning French from S K Somaiya College of Arts, Science and Commerce.

I've always wanted to learn languages, and this institute was the perfect place for me to start. In just two years, this course has provided me with a wealth of knowledge about the language, and the professors made learning such a difficult language very easy and interesting.

I intend to continue learning the language, and I am confident that this course will provide me with additional options in the future. In the last two years, I've made memories that I'll never forget.

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Sejal Ramtara
French - level III

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I completed HSK 1 in Mandarin at S K Somaiya College and am presently working on HSK 2. Even though I'd completed two HSK levels at another private institute, starting from Level I from S K Somaiya College was a wise decision as the teachers never made any lecture feel redundant; instead, our lectures have always been full of interesting discussions and activities.

I'm happy to be a part of S K Somaiya College and admire their teaching methodology. As for the teaching materials, they are simple and detailed enough for a first-year student. Overall, as a newcomer to S K Somaiya College, I've liked everything about it so far. If any language piques your interest particularly, S K Somaiya College is the place for you.

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Durvakshi Dadhe
Chinese - Level I

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I've been studying Chinese under the mentorship of Dr Satyendra Upadhyay Sir at Somaiya Vidyavihar since 2018. Being a part of the university for so long, I have always taken an interest in absorbing everything it has to offer. While pursuing the language course, my professor also motivated me to visit China. My visit altered my vision and learning different languages piqued my interest, which inspired me to take up Japanese. I love the faculty of the university; they have always been polite to all students and are ever-ready to help. Studying at Somaiya Vidyavihar has opened many doors for me and has helped me understand various cultures better. I would strongly recommend my college to everyone who has an interest in learning languages!

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Vrushti J Balad
Chinese - Level I & Japanese - Level I