

**Sep 7, 2020**

**International Studies: Chinese language requirements**

IS majors with a regional focus in East Asia and satisfying at least five semesters of Chinese should write either a 500-600 characters segment in which they narrate, describe or summarize in part of a chapter, or a 500-600 characters summary of their project as an introductory text to their project. They should also include a “glossary of terms” (around 6-8) key terms and 2-3 newspaper articles from different sources in bibliography. During the oral defense that typically lasts 45-50 minutes, students should be able to answer questions effectively in Chinese for approximately 5 minutes.

**Please note:**

1. All students completing the Senior Project Proposal (INTST 600) in fall 2020 should meet with the Chinese language professor as a group in the week of Sept. 28. The professor will initiate the meeting.

Discussion in this meeting will focus on:

- 1) setting up expectations and highlighting timelines;
- 2) instructing how to look for the appropriate Chinese sources and how to cite.

2. Students should meet with the Chinese language professor individually to talk about the Chinese sources between Oct. 5 – 16.

3. After handing in the Final Proposal and before beginning to write their project, students should meet with the Chinese language professor individually between Nov. 30 – Dec. 4 to finalize the Chinese sources to be included.

4. Students completing INTST 610 in spring 2021 should meet with the Chinese language professor individually to talk about how to develop “glossary of terms” in the week of Jan 25 or of Feb 1 and present their “glossary of terms” by Feb. 8.

5. The draft of a 500-600 characters segment or summary is due on Apr. 9.

6. Students should meet with the Chinese language professor individually to prepare for the oral defense between the time the project is submitted and their scheduled oral date.