











Course:

A Glimpse of Chinese culture, a follow-up course of college English.



University:

oriented at **application** and **teacher training**, cultivating talents with "new ideas, knowledge and skills".



Target Students:

non-English majors; CET-6 level; schools of Liberal arts.



Cultivating talents with

international vision & home cultural awareness,

participating & competing in the world; telling Chinese stories to the world.



2. Objectives

48 class periods, 4 sessions for each unit, assisted by the online course.

- 1). Language competence:
- get linguistic knowledge about Chinese culture;
- 2). Intercultural competence:
- grasp cultural knowledge and improve the intercultural communication;
- 3). Critical thinking ability:
- have insight into current cultural issues and work out effective solutions.

3. Organization

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POA(production-or motivating, enabling)



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Key to Exercises

4. Assessment

1) formative assessment (60%):

in-class performance (12%);

online task performance(24%);

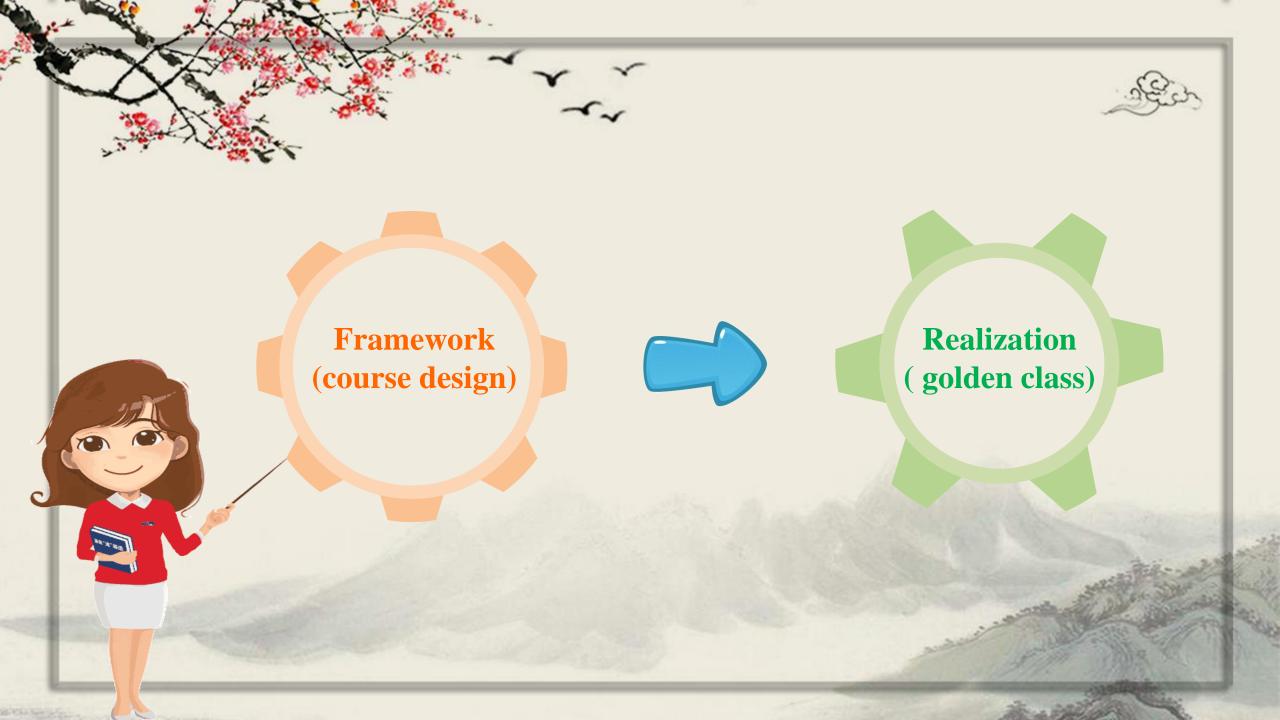
self-assessment (12%);

peer evaluation (12%).

2) accumulative assessment (40%):

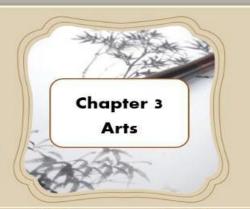
written test (20%);

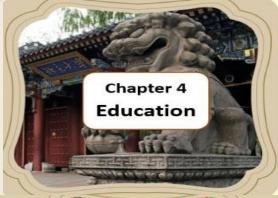
oral test (20%).

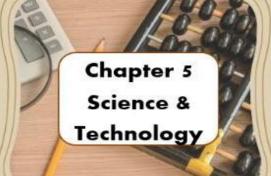


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Philosophy
& Religions



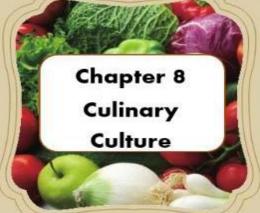






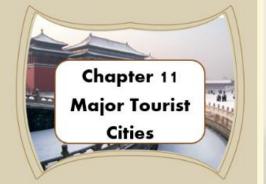


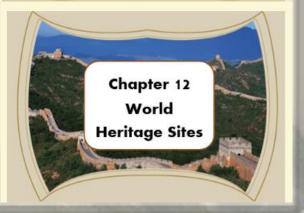










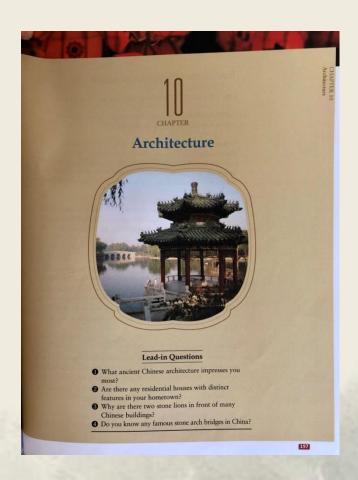




1 Teaching objectives

Teaching procedure

Unit assessment



1. Teaching Objectives

1) Language competence:

build up the relevant language about Chinese architecture;

2) Intercultural competence:

learn to introduce Chinese architecture to foreigners;

3) Critical thinking ability:

construct ways to protect and popularize Chinese architecture.

2. Teaching Procedure

4 class sessions of 180 minutes, along with the online course.



Session 1 & 2:

text-based learning



Session 3 & 4:

extensive learning

Session 1 & 2: text-based learning



- 1) Oral report;
- 2) Text-based sub-tasks;
- 3) A comparative study;
- 4) Passage translation.

Before Class

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- 1) Searching for pictures;
- 2) Online micro-video;
- 3) Group discussion: traditional elements in Chinese architecture.

3) Read the text and fill in the form. (7 mins)

In-

Class

		imperial architecture	civilian residential houses
similarities	structure	brick, tile, timber and stone	
	layout	flexible, beautiful, and harmonious	
differences	color	red, yellow, green and gold	black, white, grey
	style	grand and luxurious	plain and simple
	decorations	colored glaze, mythical	wood carving, stone
		animals on eaves, number 9	carving, clay sculpture

Translate the following passage into English with the help of what we learn in the two sessions.

中国传统建筑是中华文明的重要组成部分,包括宫殿、官府、庙宇、园林、陵墓,也包括一些高层佛塔和桥梁。中国传统建筑以木材为主要材料,讲究均衡对称,注重屋顶的艺术设计以及房屋的华丽装饰。在封建社会,色彩在建筑上的运用受到严格的社会等级制度的制度。

Session 3 & 4: extensive learning



- 1) Have you acquired some information about Chinese traditional architecture? (25%)
- 2) Are you qualified to introduce a typical style of Chinese architecture in a full way? (25%)
- 3) Are you able to assess others' presentation according to the given standards? (25%)
- 4) Can you provide some effective ways to protect and popularize Chinese architecture? (25%)

Session 4:

1) Enlightening:

debate: demolish traditional

architecture or not

case study: Yinyutang

2) Critical thinking:

group **oral report** on protecting Chinese architecture

3) Self-assessment

After Class

Online task: design a poster about a modern architecture with traditional elements.

3. Unit Assessment

1)Online assessment(40%):

score for the quiz(20%);

poster designing assessment(20%);

2)Offline assessment(60%):

in-class performance(20%);

peer evaluation of group presentation(20%);

self-assessment of unit learning(20%);

Key competences:

communicative, critical thinking, innovative & collaborative skills

high-level Contents

Knowledge input

Challenging Tasks

Diverse output







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Structure

Symbols

Significance in culture











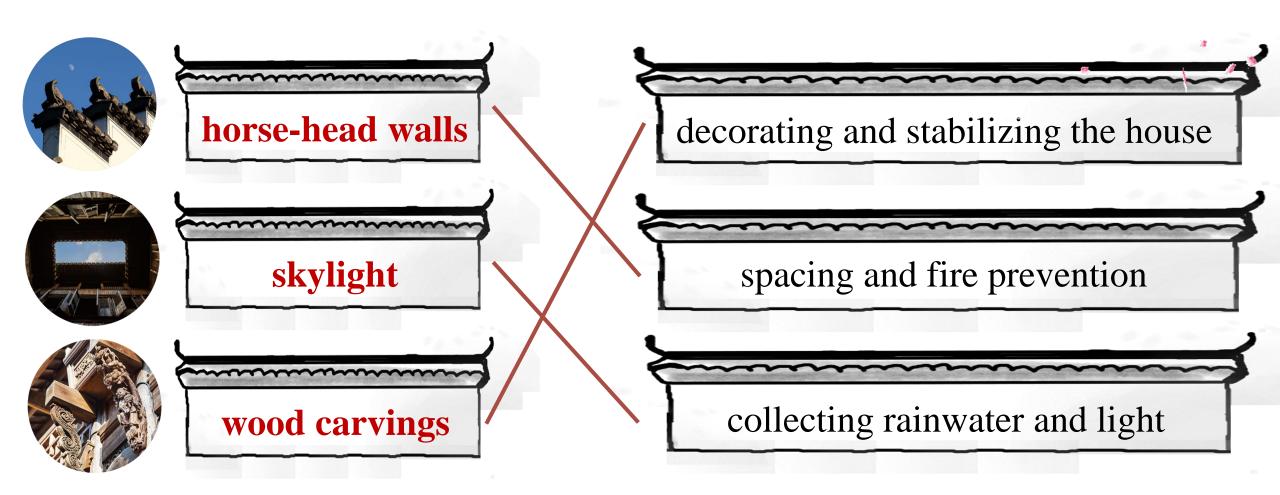


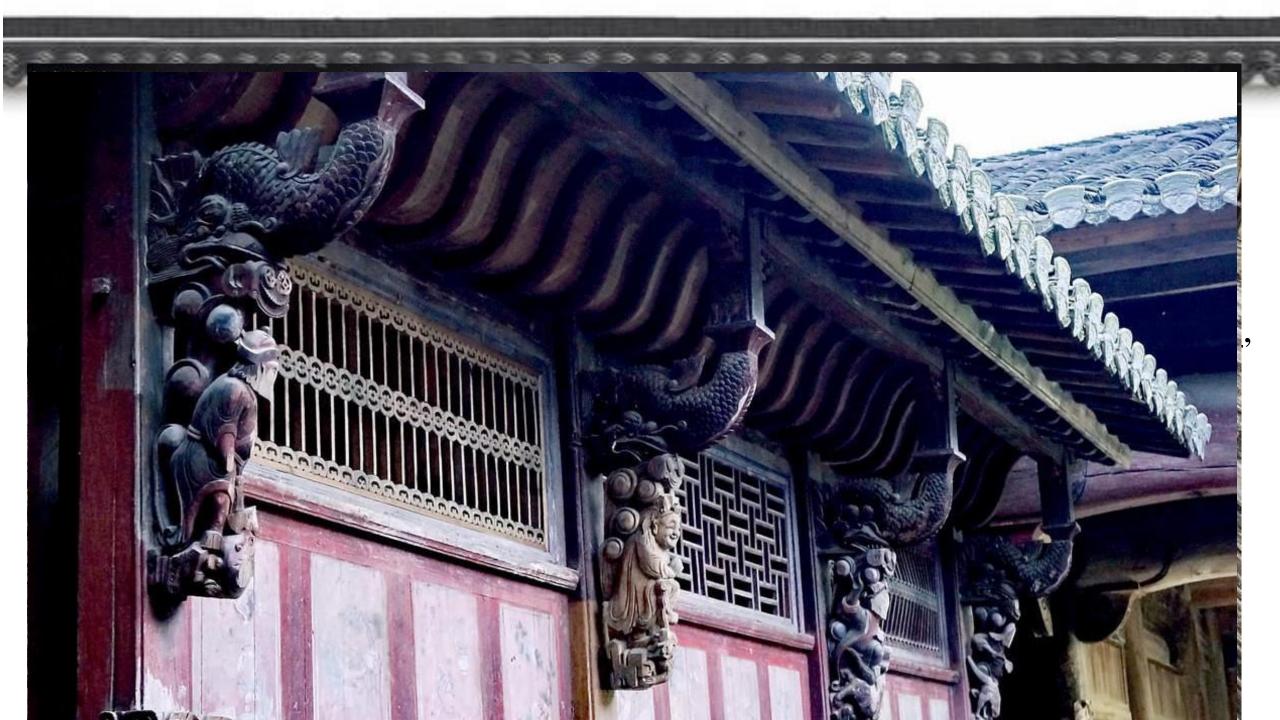
How splendid the houses are! The horse-head walls, skylight and wood carvings are so unique.

Do they have any special meanings or uses?



Task 1: Match the symbols with the functions.



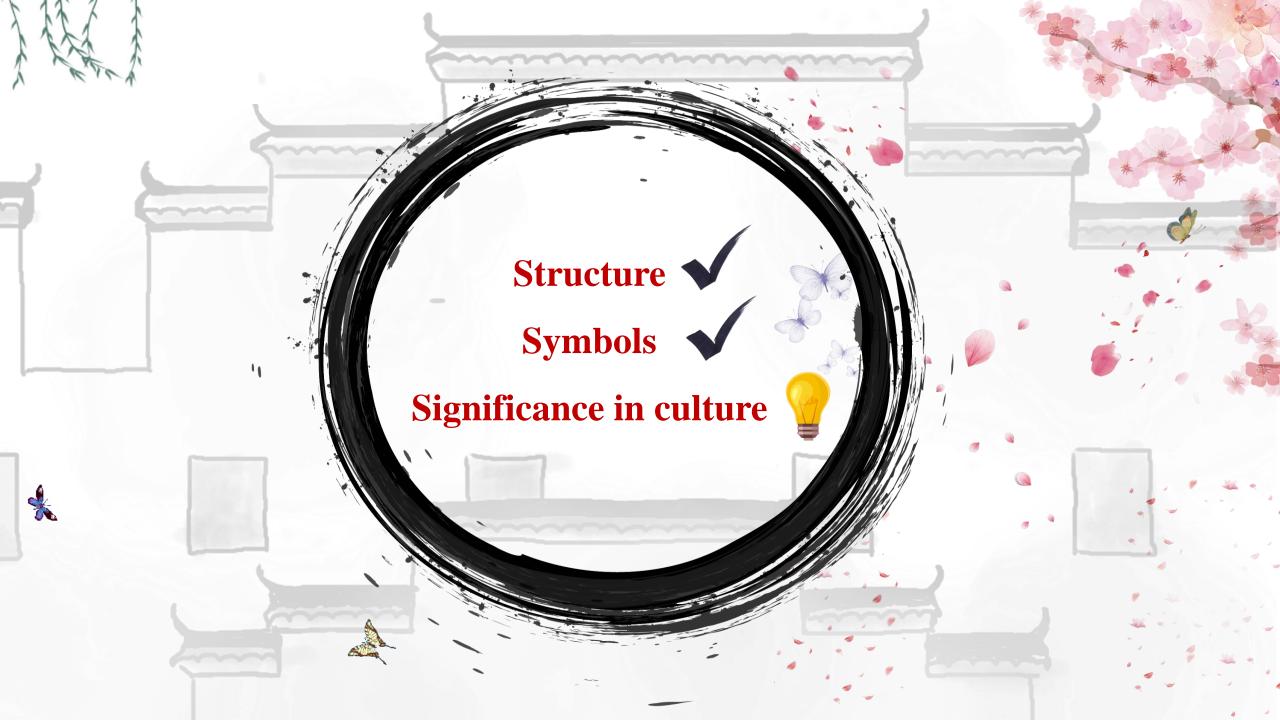








- 1. The unique horse-head walls are designed for spacing and fire prevention, symbolizing vitality and prosperity.
- 2. The skylight is designed to collect the maximum amount of rainwater and light, which is symbolic of wealth and bright prospect.
- 3. Wood carvings are used for decorating and stabilizing the house, representing people's pursuit for auspicious and happy life.



1. Which concept do Huizhou residential houses represent?

A. Harmony between man and nature

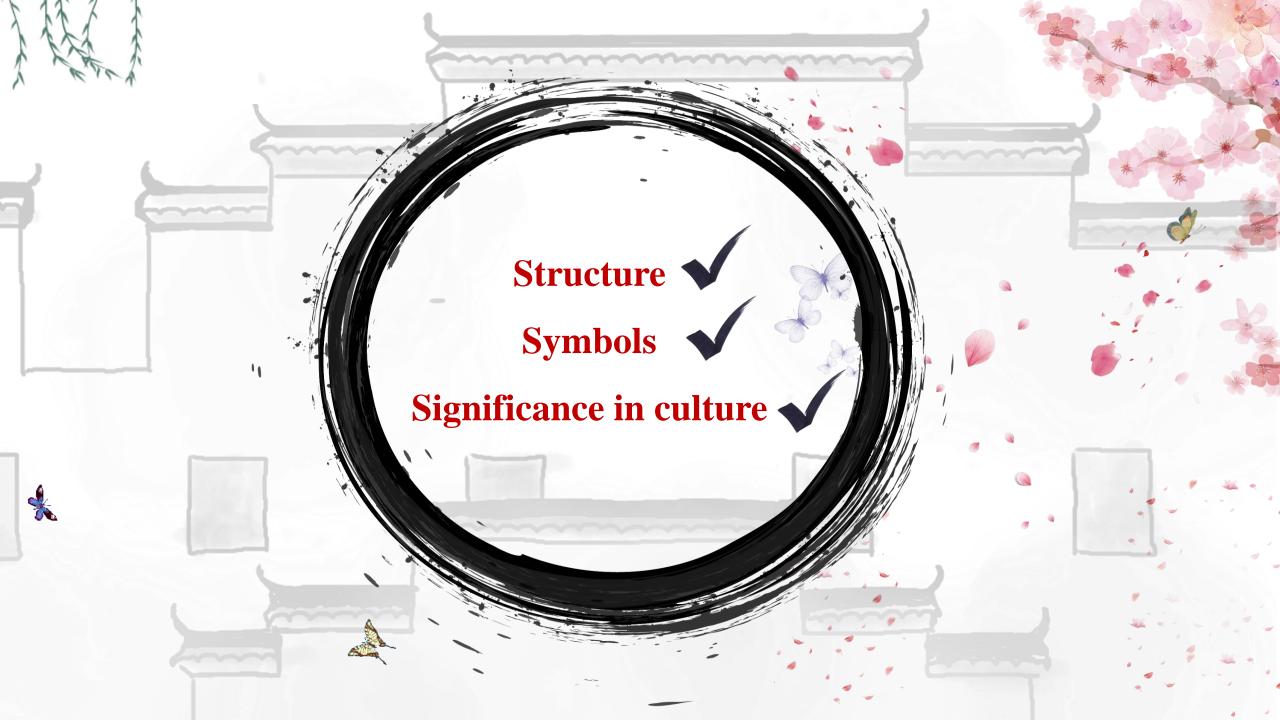




A. Luxury and aggressiveness

B. Modesty and pragmatism









Huizhou Residential Houses



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Structure

Key words:

Situated between mountains and mountains, rivers,

riversmpHuitzhouseresiolentiad, houses

symmetry. are constructed with a compound

with house pattern courtyard,

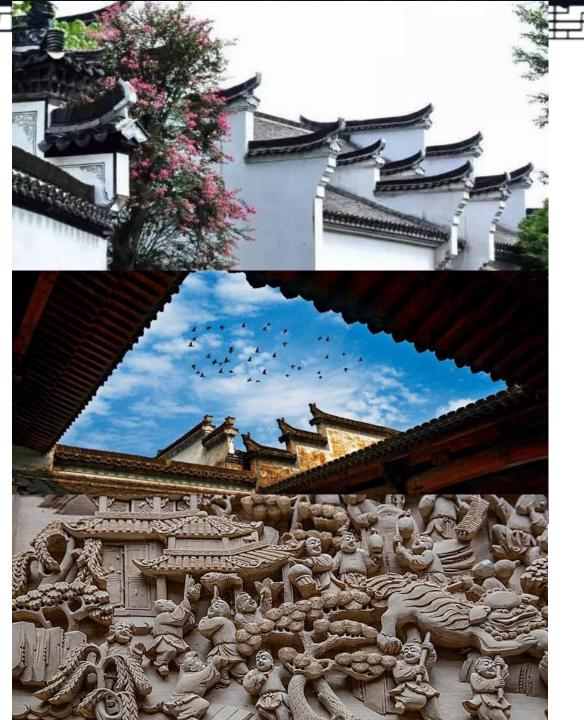
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... are constructed with,

following...







Symbols

The 3 unker words is—horse-head walls, skylight sandbylood carvings, with firehppeaentian and decinative termelishs, are decorating & stabilizing; designed for, fire prevention accumulating light and water, decorating and stabilizing hous Sentence tpattern representing people's wishes dosignes berity, wealth and representing... happiness.

Significance in culture

With the idea of harmony between

man harmony, man, nature; and nature, modesty, pragmatism. Hui-style

architecture is an outstanding

representative of Chinese cultural **Sentence pattern:**

heritage, which reflects the spirits of with the idea of ...,

modesty and prefematism.







Welcome to Huizhou!





Assignment:

Work in groups and make a presentation to introduce a typical

Chinese architecture:

- be able to speak for about 3 minutes
- follow the order of structure, symbols and significance in culture
- employ proper delivery skills

References: Suzhou garden, Imperial Palace, Cave dwellings, Hakka Earth Buildings,...



