

COURSE INFORMATION

LANGUAGE:CHAMORRO COURSES

CM 101 ELEMENTARY CHAMORU I

FALL ONLY/ALL YEARS

4 credit hours

This is a beginning course with emphasis on oral-aural competency.

CM 102 ELEMENTARY CHAMORU II

SPRING ONLY/ALL YEARS

4 credit hours

This is a continuation of CM101. Emphasis is on improving and adding to the oral-aural competency gained in CM101. Reading in the CHamoru language is also introduced, and more complex language structures and concepts are taught. Prerequisite: CM101; two-year high school CHamoru , or consent of instructor.

CM 110 INTRO TO CHAMORU STUDIES

FALL ONLY/ALL YEARS

3 credit hours

This course will introduce students to the interdisciplinary approach to CHamoru Studies as a community engaged academic discipline. It provides a broad survey of major issues and concerns specific to CHamoru society in both historical and contemporary contexts. The course emphasizes CHamoru perspectives, experiences, and systems of knowledge as an effective frame work for students to use in their ongoing critical engagement with local, region, and global issues. The course includes a considerable service-learning and community engagement component that compels students to connect their academic study of CHamoru Studies with the communities, organization, and efforts outside of the university campus.

CM 201 INTERMEDIATE CHAMORU I

FALL ONLY/ALL YEARS

4 credit hours

This is an intermediate level Chamorro language course, which continues the oral-aural development of CM101 and CM102. Vocabulary development and expansion continues; however, the primary emphasis is on comprehending and utilizing more complicated language structures in the Chamorro language, as well as application and usage of the numerous affixation processes. Reading comprehension and reading skills are introduced. Prerequisite: CM102, or consent of instructor.

CM 202 INTERMEDIATE CHAMORU II

SPRING ONLY/ALL YEARS

4 credit hours

CM202 is the second semester, second year CHamoru course, which is a continuation of CM201 Intermediate CHamoru I. Vocabulary development and expansion continues in four designated specialized areas; however, the primary emphasis is on comprehending and utilizing more advanced language structures. Prerequisite: CM201.

CM 210 CHAMORU STUDIES AND PRACTICE

FALL/SPRING/ALL YEARS

3 credit hours

This course explores CHamoru art forms and practices. It examines the ways in which such forms and practices reflect the ways of life and beliefs of the indigenous people of the Marianas. Each semester, the course will focus on a selected art form or practice. Students may repeat the course once with a different topic.

CM 232 MICRONESIAN SEAFARING SYSTEM

FALL ONLY/ALL YEARS

3 credit hours

This course is an introduction to the Micronesian seafaring system. Particular emphasis is placed on building skills for constructing canoe houses and canoes. In this course, students gain knowledge in navigation, plant use, ocean and weather patterns, and indigenous mathematical measurements.

CM 294 SPECIAL STUDIES

FALL ONLY/FALL ONLY

3 credit hours

CM 301 ADVANCED CHAMORU I - READING

FALL ONLY/EVEN YEARS

4 credit hours

This course emphasizes reading competency, further development of oral-aural skills, and the phonological and morphological structures of the CHamoru language. Prerequisites: CM201 and CM202 or consent of instructor.

CM 302 ADVANCED CHAMORU II-WRITING

SPRING ONLY/ODD YEARS

4 credit hours

This course emphasizes writing competency, further development of oral-aural skills, and the syntactical and semantic structures of the CHamoru language, and CHamoru orthography. Prerequisites: CM202 and CM301 or consent of instructor.

CM 332 TRADITIONAL NAVIGATION

SPRING ONLY/ALL YEARS

3 credit hours

This course gives students an understanding on Micronesian traditional navigation as part of the seafaring system. This system includes knowledge and skills taught in the canoe house, including understating of the living environment, to the highly specialized skills in canoe and structural building, traditional healing, weather predictions, and traditional navigation. It provides understanding of navigational elements such as wind and wave patterns, and indigenous cosmology. The course will also explain Micronesian wayfinding through complex ?etak? and system of estimation and dead reckoning. Prerequisite: Consent of Instructor.

CM 340 CHAMORU CULTURE

FALL ONLY/ALL YEARS

3 credit hours

This course critically examines and re-evaluates historic and contemporary representation of CHamoru culture. Dance, music, change, storytelling, graphic and textile are, and other cultural forms are set alongside a background understanding of culture as a dynamic expression of changing historical, social, political, environmental, economic, and other conditions in the Mariana Islands from ancient to contemporary times. This course employs an interdisciplinary approach to critically exploring these cultural forms and the varying contexts out of which they arise. This exploration will be conducted while considering the larger issue surrounding the politics of cultural representation to include identity, modernity, adaptation and resistance, debates of over authenticity, ownership and appropriation, and the ongoing CHamoru cultural renaissance of the 21st century. Prerequisites: CM102 and CM110, or consent of instructor.

CM 390 SPECIAL PROJECT

3 credit hours

CM 394 SS: MICRONESIAN SEARARING: LEGENDS, Cchan

SUMMER/SUMMER ONLY
3 credit hours

CM 412 TOPICS IN CHAMORU STUDIES

SPRING ONLY/ODD YEARS
3 credit hours

This course is an intensive study of a specific topic or theme relative to historical analysis of the Mariana Islands colonial legacy and contemporary issues including CHamoru cultural survival, land, social and economic development, political status, religion, and modern modes of scholarly inquiry in the Mariana Islands. Prerequisite: CM340 or consent of instructor. This course is to be taught concurrently with Existing GUAM/CHamoru STUDIES (MI512)

CM 432 MICRONESIAN CANOE BUILDING

3 credit hours

This course gives students an understanding on the concept of the Micronesian (proa) canoe as part of the seafaring systems. This system includes an array of Indigenous knowledge and skills taught in the canoe house, beginning with basic understanding of the living environment, to the highly specialized skills in canoe building and traditional navigation. The course will provide the basic safety handling on tools, phases of canoe building and designs using traditional measurements, and multifunctionality of canoe components. Prerequisite: CM-394 or consent of instructor.

CM 491 CHAMORU STUDIES SENIOR CAPSTONE

SPRING ONLY/ODD YEARS
3 credit hours

The senior capstone course provides an opportunity for students to complete a capstone project that integrates the learning objectives identified by the CHamoru studies program with the mission of the University and the broader community. Students will be able to choose from several options for their capstone project that may include research, demonstration, or creative expression. All capstone projects will be delivered in the CHamoru language. Prerequisites: CM302 and consent of Instructor.

CM 494 SPECIAL STUDIES

AS REQUIRED/AS REQUIRED
3 credit hours