

DFLL NEWS

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All The Details

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The Spanish Club offers *free* Tutoring

The Spanish Club offers free tutoring for Spanish students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 6:30 pm to 8:00pm by appointment. Contact President Elaina Skala at elainask@uab.edu

Upcoming Events

12th Annual Cherry Blossom Festival

Birmingham Botanical Gardens

March 18th, 10am-4pm

Contact: Prof. Yumi Takamiya at takamiya@uab.edu



WANT TO LEARN ABOUT OUR REVISED 39-CREDIT FLL MAJOR?

COME TO OUR SPRING OPEN HOUSE

WED, MARCH 8, 2017 - 2:30 pm-4:00 pm

4th Floor Balcony of the Humanities Building

Pizza and refreshments will be served.

*I would like to invite everyone to the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures **Spring Open House** on Wednesday, March 8th from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm on the balcony of Humanities Building (4th floor). Stop by for Summer and Fall language class advising, to learn more about any of our programs, and to find out about our upcoming **revised FLL major**, which will roll out in Fall 2017. Join us for pizza and good conversation! Find **Summer and Fall 2017 class schedules** inside this newsletter and please reach out to us if you have questions about which classes to take next.*

Go Blazers! — Julián Arribas, Chair

**Language Clubs And
Conversation Table News**

**Palomitas Spanish Film Club and
La Tertulia present**

Soldados de Salamina - Award-winning novel and film about the Spanish Civil War

Frid, March 3rd , HB 311

Book reading: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Film: 6:30 pm

Info: jtmaddox@uab.edu and centeno@uab.edu

Chinese Conversation Table

Wednesdays 1:15-2:15 pm

Sterne Library

Dean's Conference Room

Info: coltyma@uab.edu

German Table

***Stammtisch*tennis**

Every other Friday, HB 424

12:15 pm to 1:15 pm

Info: ehrinker@uab.edu

French Conversation Table

Mondays, 3pm to 4 pm

Starbucks, Sterne Library

Info: mbond@uab.edu

Japanese Conversation Table

Frid, March 10, 12:00 - 1:00 pm
HB 424

Thurs, March 23, 11:00 - 12:00
pm HB 424

Info: takamiya@uab.edu

Italian Conversation Table

Thurs, March 23, 1:00-2:00
pm HB 402

Info: giuliana@uab.edu

La tertulia

Mondays, 2 pm - 3 pm

Starbucks in Sterne

Info: centeno@uan.edu

La Cena de la Tertulia, Feb 24, 2017



**Take a Peek at
Masquerade 2017!**



“The Other Side: A Guest at Dinner” by Evan Gordon, Minor in Chinese



I went to China in the pursuit of learning language, culture, and Chinese business practices in fall 2016. I was given a scholarship under the Global Future Leaders program wherein I would take Mandarin classes and tutor English. I'm here to give you a glimpse into my life as it was lived in Guizhou, China, and that life was food.

Guiyang is a small city in when comparing it to the massive cities of Beijing, Shanghai, or Hong Kong though no less interesting. The people of the city are brash and charismatic and the country folk warm and welcoming. Not unlike my home city of Birmingham. But unlike my home, the people of Guiyang create delicacies that I have never tasted and a few of which I will never taste again.

To understand Guiyang is to understand its food because much of ones' social life will revolve around dining. The Guiyang people eat red pepper in nearly all dishes. A food that is not spicy is not worth eating in this place. I have seen many people foreign to Guizhou province unable to eat their food. As I love spicy food, this area was a veritable wonderland of flavors. Every day after work I would frequently ask a local friend to show me to a new restaurant or street food. I never turned down an opportunity to explore the eating culture.

As stated before, to be social in China is to eat. The most common politeness is, “吃饭了吗？” which means, “have you eaten?” When invited to dinner, the host or the person who invited you will often buy enough food that you will be unable to finish all of it. This is so that they can ensure their guest can eat until they are absolutely full. The happiness of a guest is of great importance.

As a foreigner, I was never allowed to pay for a meal that did not eat alone. As frustrated as I felt, I understood the repercussions if I might dispute a claim to payment. There is a concept here I attempted to unpack that we call “face.” Though I struggle greatly with the concept, I have witnessed men of high esteem fight one another over the right to pay for dinner. Again, I say that I do not fully understand in what cases one might gain or lose “face” but one must be cautious and respect a friend's claim to it.

Seven months in China does not grant nearly enough time for one to understand all the intricacies of a culture. Even more so, understanding the specific social norms of a province makes this even more of an impossible task. But go to China and prove me wrong.



2017 SUMMER SCHEDULE

JPA 290	SA	3	Japanese for Study Abroad	20	May TBA	Takamiya
SPA 101	FH	4	Introductory Spanish I	25	Summer A MTWR 10:10 am-12:10 pm	Orihuela
SPA 108	QL	4	Introductory Intensive Spanish	25	Summer B ON-LINE	Chambless
SPA 206	QL	3	Intermediate Spanish for the Professions	25	Summer B ON-LINE	Cochran
SPA 280	MJ	3	Spanish for Health Professionals	25	May Term MTWRF 05:45 pm-08:15 pm	Centeno
SPA 399	QL	3	Contemporary Latin America and Globalization	15	Summer A ON-LINE	Sánchez-López
SPA 416	QL	3	Contemporary Latin America and Globalization	10	Summer A ON-LINE	Sánchez-López
SPA 516	QL	3	Contemporary Latin America and Globalization	10	Summer A ON-LINE	Sánchez-López

2017 FALL SCHEDULE**CHINESE**

CHI 101	2D	3	Introductory Chinese I	TR 12:30-1:45	25	Ma
CHI 101	1D	3	Introductory Chinese I	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Ma
CHI 203	2C	3	Intermediate Chinese Language & Culture	TR 11:00-12:15	20	Ma

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

FLL 120	1C	3	Foreign Cultures	MWF 10:10-11:00	30	Ma
FLL 120	2B	3	Foreign Cultures/SL	TR 9:30-10:45	30	Rinker
FLL 303	9H	3	History of World Movies I: The Origins to 1960	T 5:00-7:30	30	Bokobza

FRENCH

FR 101	2C	4	Introductory French I	TR 11:00-12:15	25	Bokobza
FR 101	2E	4	Introductory French I	TR 2:00-3:15	25	TBA
FR 101	1C	4	Introductory French I	MWF 10:10-11:00	25	Bond
FR 102	2C	4	Introductory French II	TR 11:00-12:15	25	Bond
FR 201	1D	3	Intermediate French I	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Bond
FR 210	2E	3	Intermediate French Culture	TR 2:00-3:15	20	Bokobza
FR 310	2E	3	Advanced French Culture	TR 2:00-3:15	20	Bokobza
FR 307	2D	3	Advanced Grammar and Composition I	TR 12:30-1:45	20	Bond
FR 401	9I	3	Pre-Revolutionary France (1610-1789)	R 5:00-7:30	10	TBA
FR 501	9I	3	Pre-Revolutionary France (1610-1789)	R 5:00-7:30	8	TBA

GERMAN

GN 101	1C	4	Introductory German I	MWF 10:10-11:00	25	Rinker
GN 102	1D	4	Introductory German II	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Rinker
GN 201	2E	3	Intermediate German I	TR 2:00-3:15	20	Rinker

ITALIAN

ITL 101	2B	3	Introductory Italian I	TR 9:30-10:45	25	Russo
ITL 201	2C	3	Intermediate Italian I	TR 11:00-12:15	20	Russo

JAPANESE

JPA 101	1C	3	Introductory Japanese I	MWF 10:10-11:00	25	Yamaguchi
JPA 101	1D	3	Introductory Japanese I	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Yamaguchi
JPA 101	2D	3	Introductory Japanese I	TR 12:30-1:45	25	Takamiya
JPA 102	2C	3	Introductory Japanese II	TR 11:00-12:15	25	Takamiya
JPA 201	2B	3	Intermediate Japanese I	TR 9:30-10:45	25	Takamiya
JPA 204	2A	3	Inter Japan. Lang. & Culture II	TR 8:00-9:15	20	Takamiya

SPANISH

SPA 101	1B	4	Introductory Spanish I	MWF 9:05-9:55	25	Chambless
SPA 101	1C	4	Introductory Spanish I	MWF 10:10-11:00	25	Chambless
SPA 101	1D	4	Introductory Spanish I	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Rubio
SPA 101	1E	4	Introductory Spanish I	MWF 12:20-1:10	25	Rubio
SPA 101	2B	4	Introductory Spanish I	TR 9:30-10:45	25	TBA
SPA 101	2C	4	Introductory Spanish I	TR 11:00-12:15	25	TBA
SPA 101	2D	4	Introductory Spanish I	TR 12:30-1:45	25	Sánchez-López
SPA 101	2E	4	Introductory Spanish I	TR 2:00-3:15	25	Sánchez-López
SPA 101	QL	4	Introductory Spanish I	ON-LINE	25	Chambless

SPANISH (cont'd)

SPA 102	1B	4	Introductory Spanish II	MWF 9:05-9:55	25	Cochran
SPA 102	1D	4	Introductory Spanish II	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Cochran
SPA 102	2C	4	Introductory Spanish II	TR 11:00-12:15	25	Centeno
SPA 102	2E	4	Introductory Spanish II	TR 2:00-3:15	25	Centeno
SPA 201	1D	3	Intermediate Spanish I	MWF 11:15-12:05	25	Maddox
SPA 201	2E	3	Intermediate Spanish I	TR 2:00-3:15	25	Mayoral
SPA 201	2B	3	Intermediate Spanish I	TR 9:30-10:45	25	Orihuela
SPA 202	2D	3	Intermediate Spanish II	TR 12:30-1:45	25	Orihuela
SPA 202	2E	3	Intermediate Spanish II	TR 2:00-3:15	25	Orihuela
SPA 206	QL	3	Inter Spanish for the Professions	ON-LINE	25	Chambless
SPA 210	1B	3	Conversation and Culture	MWF 9:05-9:55	25	Maddox
SPA 214	QL	3	Intro to Spanish Translation	ON-LINE	25	Cochran
SPA 280	2G	3	Spanish for Health Professionals	TR 5:00-6:15	25	Centeno
SPA 304	2F	3	Phonetics and Phonology	TR 3:30-4:45	25	Mayoral
SPA 312	2D	3	Greatest Hits of Hisp Lit II	MWF 10:10-11:00	25	Maddox
SPA 380	7P	3	Adv Spa for Health Prof.	W 5:00- -7:30	25	Centeno
SPA 411	9I	3	Cervantes and the Quixote	R 5:00- -7:30	15	Arribas
SPA 440	9H	3	History of Spanish Language	T 5:00-7:30	15	Mayoral
SPA 511	9I	3	Cervantes and the Quixote	R 5:00- -7:30	8	Arribas
SPA 540	9H	3	History of Spanish Language	T 5:00-7:30	8	Mayoral