

Dear Students,

The Placement Test is in an online format, which allows you to take it at your convenience before you come to Smith College for orientation. It consists of three portions: a multiple choice portion, a hand-written essay portion, and an oral interview via Zoom. You may complete them in three different sessions. Your course placement will be determined based on a combination of all three. It is important to emphasize that the online placement test is for diagnostic purposes only. This diagnostic tool may be supplemented by your instructor's evaluation during the first week of classes, at which time he or she may recommend a change in registration.

The test must represent your own work. When taking it, you will be bound by Smith College's Academic Honor Code. You may take this test only once. Please also note that no dictionary or textbook can be used during your test. Should you have any questions about your placement test, please email [chineseprogram@smith.edu](mailto:chineseprogram@smith.edu)

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The test is accessible after August 1 by the link below. Please complete the multiple choice and essay portions no later than 5pm on **Friday, August 21**. Zoom interviews will take place on **Wednesday, August 19**, and you will sign up through the link below.
2. To take the multiple choice and essay portions and to sign up for an oral interview, go to <https://moodle.smith.edu/course/view.php?id=30513>. The link will take you to the Moodle login screen. Log in with your Smith username and password and you will see the following screen.

The screenshot shows the Moodle interface for the 'Chinese Placement Tests' course. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Courses, Non-academic, Miscellaneous, and the current course 'chinese\_placement'. The course title 'Chinese Placement Tests' is prominently displayed, along with a list of instructors: Yalin Chen, Jessica Moyer, Sujane Wu, Lu Yu, and Ling Zhao. Below this, there is a section for 'chinese\_placement\_self\_enroll' which states 'No enrollment key required.' and provides a large blue 'Enroll me' button. On the left side, there are three sidebar boxes: 'COURSE FEEDBACK' with a link to view the task list, 'NAMECOACH' with information about the pronunciation software, and 'ADMINISTRATION' with a link to 'Enroll me in this course'.

4. Click the “Enroll me” button at the bottom and you will see the course and be enrolled.
5. You will see detailed instructions along with four links: the simplified character version of the multiple choice quiz, the traditional character version of the multiple choice quiz (choose either the simplified or traditional character version, whichever one you are most comfortable with), the essay question prompts, and a sign-up sheet for the virtual oral interview.