

National 4 Cantonese (Course Code: C711 74)

SCQF Level 4 (24 Credit Points)

Why study Cantonese?

Learning a new language enables you to make connections with different people and their cultures. It also helps you to develop important skills in communication, critical thinking, as well as increasing your cultural awareness.

Cantonese is the most common language in Hong Kong and many parts of China. It has fewer non-native speakers than Mandarin, so those learning it have a significant advantage when visiting or doing business with Hong Kong or other Cantonese-speaking areas.

Career Pathways

To see what career areas this subject could lead to and the routes to get there, download and view these career pathways:

[Arts, Social Sciences and Languages](#)

[Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism](#)

[Information, Culture and Heritage](#)

[Transport and Distribution](#)

[Uniformed and Security Services](#)

What do I need to get in?

Entry is at the discretion of the school or college but you would normally have achieved:

- [Modern Languages for Life and Work Award at SCQF Level 4](#)
- National 3 Cantonese

What will I study?

This course aims to help you to develop and extend a wide range of skills in reading, listening, talking and writing in order for you to understand Cantonese, and how it relates to English. You will also get to plan, research and apply your language skills, learning a wide range of different types of texts in different media.

The course has **two** compulsory units plus an **added value** unit that assesses your practical skills.

Understanding Cantonese (9 SCQF credit points)

In this unit you will:

- develop reading and listening skills in Cantonese
- develop your knowledge of straightforward language in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

Using Cantonese (9 SCQF credit points)

In this unit you will:

- develop talking and writing skills in Cantonese
- develop your knowledge of straightforward language in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

Added Value Unit: Cantonese Assignment (6 SCQF credit points)

In this unit you will:

- select relevant information from at least two written texts
- make an oral presentation in Cantonese, and respond appropriately to questions in Cantonese.

How will I be assessed?

Your teacher or tutor will assess your work on an ongoing basis throughout the course. Items of work might include:

- practical work – reading, speaking or listening exercises
- written work – assignments or reports
- class-based exams.

You must pass both units plus the added value unit to gain the course qualification.

Study Materials

What can I go on to next?

If you complete the course successfully, it may lead to:

- **National 5 Cantonese**

Further study, training or employment in:

- Administration and Management
- Arts, Social Sciences and Languages
- Buying, Selling and Related Work
- Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism
- Languages

- Teaching and Classroom Support