

The Micro-module of Cantonese is developed by the Chinese Language Teaching Development Centre of the Department of Chinese Language and Literature as an online self-study tool for CHLT 1104 “Self-Learning Elementary Chinese” for students who are motivated to learn Cantonese. The online language courses, which are different from the existing online courses of Cantonese, explain essential Cantonese grammatical and phonetic properties in user-friendly language, so that students can acquire the basic linguistic knowledge of Cantonese by self-learning with fun.

The courses consist of five modules: 「1.介紹」, 「2.我係英國人」, 「3.你幾點上堂呀」, 「4.幾多錢呀」, 「5.想問地鐵站點去呀」, covering the learning needs of the international students on campus. In each unit, there is an introductory video clip showing the key learning areas, an animation- “Oral Communication in Situations” (情境對話) with the topic-themed vocabularies and sentence structures, and audio files on the relevant examples. The teaching contents are supported by online teaching notes and exercises. Upon the completion of the modules, students should be equipped with the basic learning ability of Cantonese and confident enough to use Cantonese in their daily conversation on campus.

The Micro-module of Cantonese will be uploaded to Blackboard of CHLT1104 in the second term of 2018/19. In order to allow more users to access to the Micro-module of Cantonese and to increase its influence in the public, it will be uploaded to KEEP in 2019/20.