

# CAH5702: CHINESE DOCUMENTOLOGY

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## Effective Term

Semester A 2025/26

## Part I Course Overview

### Course Title

Chinese Documentology

### Subject Code

CAH - Chinese and History

### Course Number

5702

### Academic Unit

Chinese and History (CAH)

### College/School

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CH)

### Course Duration

One Semester

### Credit Units

3

### Level

P5, P6 - Postgraduate Degree

### Medium of Instruction

Chinese

### Medium of Assessment

Chinese

### Prerequisites

Nil

### Precursors

Nil

### Equivalent Courses

CTL5702 Topics in Chinese Ancient Classics

### Exclusive Courses

Nil

## Part II Course Details

### Abstract

This course aims to develop students' ability to analyse and evaluate the importance of various topics in the study of Chinese ancient classics. It will demonstrate the content and significance of unearthed materials such as bamboo-books and silk-

books from the 20th century to present, as well as the innovative application of reference books and online materials for Chinese information retrieval. The course will also help students grasp traditional annotation techniques for the study of Chinese ancient classics.

### Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

CILOs		Weighting (if DEC-A1 DEC-A2 DEC-A3 app.)			
1	Recognize the features and importance of the study of Chinese ancient classics	20	x		
2	Compare the contents and evaluate the importance of edition, proof-reading and unearthed materials like silk-books, bamboo-books from 20th century to present	35	x	x	
3	Analyze the features of bibliography and the study of authenticity and authorship of Chinese ancient classics	20	x	x	
4	Apply the traditional annotation techniques for the study of Chinese ancient classics	15	x	x	x
5	Make use of reference books and online materials for Chinese information retrieval and for further independent study.	10	x	x	x

#### A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

#### A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to real-life problems.

#### A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

### Learning and Teaching Activities (LTAs)

LTAs	Brief Description	CILO No.	Hours/week (if applicable)
1	Lecture	Students will engage in lecture activities to gain a conceptual overview of the study of Chinese documentology with example based approach.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

2	Tutorial	Students will participate in structured group presentations in tutorials and engage in critical discussions with peers on the content of assessed group presentations to identify the strengths and weaknesses enhancing their knowledge and skills.	2, 3, 4, 5	
3	Reading	Students will engage with books and articles related to the chosen topics.	1, 2, 3	

**Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)**

	ATs	CILO No.	Weighting (%)	Remarks ("- for nil entry)	Allow Use of GenAI?
1	Tutorial presentation: The topics will be assigned by the instructor and aligned with the progress of the lectures.	2, 3, 5	28	-	No
2	In-class and/or online discussion and comment on assigned topics and other points.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	15	-	Yes
3	Peer review of oral presentation: emphasis will be placed on the rationality, clarity and fluency of argument and comment.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	12	-	No
4	Term Paper: Emphasis is placed on research and analysis. Each student will submit one term paper applying the knowledge of Chinese documentology introduced in the lectures and tutorials.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	45	-	No

**Continuous Assessment (%)**

100

## Assessment Rubrics (AR)

### Assessment Task

Tutorial presentation (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

### Criterion

- Ability to explain with rich content, excellent grasp of the materials with in-depth or extensive knowledge of the subject matter; rigorous organization, coherent structure, balanced composition;
- Ability to criticize and analysis with convincing statement and creative comment.

### Excellent

(A+, A, A-) Strong evidence of:

- Rich content, excellent grasp of the materials with in-depth or extensive knowledge of the subject matter;
- Rigorous organization, coherent structure, balanced composition;
- Critical analysis, convincing statement and creative comment;
- Superior presentation skills: distinct pronunciation, fluent expression and appropriate diction, exact time-management.

### Good

(B+, B, B-) Some evidence of:

- Rich content, excellent grasp of the materials with in-depth or extensive knowledge of the subject matter;
- Rigorous organization, coherent structure, balanced composition;
- Critical analysis, convincing statement and creative comment;
- Superior presentation skills: distinct pronunciation, fluent expression and appropriate diction, exact time-management.

### Fair

(C+, C, C-) Limited evidence of:

- Rich content, excellent grasp of the materials with in-depth or extensive knowledge of the subject matter;
- Rigorous organization, coherent structure, balanced composition;
- Critical analysis, convincing statement and creative comment;
- Superior presentation skills: distinct pronunciation, fluent expression and appropriate diction, exact time-management.

### Marginal

(D)

- Loose organization, but acceptable identified content.
- Adequate understanding of the reading and indication of grasp of the general ideas, limited or irrelevant use of reading materials;
- Simple and unilateral comments, without clear explanation;
- Acceptable pronunciation and expression; few of mistakes in diction, but no influence to general delivery.

### Failure

(F)

- Limited familiarity with the facts of the reading and its surface relations, unsystematic ideas which cannot express the subject matter or relevant themes;
- Loose organization, without distinct primary and secondary structure;
- Devoid of personal comment and/or unreasonable opinion;
- Softly voice, indistinct pronunciation and improper diction, seriously over time.

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### Assessment Task

Peer review of tutorial presentation (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

### Criterion

- Ability to criticize different facts and statements to provide practical and innovative comments with convincing demonstration;
- Ability to give feedback on fellow students' presentations.

### **Excellent**

(A+, A, A-) Strong evidence of:

- Rich content ability to integrate various resources as demanded;
- Rigorous organization, coherent structure, systematic composition;
- Clear and integrated ideas which can keep to the point, clear-cut subject, distinct themes, ability to interpret the opinions effectively;
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### **Marginal**

(D)

- Adequate content, ability to integrate resources generally as demanded limited or irrelevant use of resources;
- Loose organization;
- Ability to express relevant points to the subject matter;
- Ability to use references, provide some reasonable personal comments, but no clear demonstration;
- Ability to respond to other comments in simple terms.

### **Failure**

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- Vague and devoid of content, weak ability to integrate limited resources;
- Loose organization, without distinct primary and secondary levels;
- Unsystematic ideas which cannot express the subject matter or relevant themes;
- Summary of references, no personal idea and comment, or providing unreasonable comment;
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### **Assessment Task**

In-class and/or online discussion and comment on assigned topics and other points. (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

### **Criterion**

- Ability to identify and analyze the topics critically with excellent grasp of the materials and in-depth knowledge of the subject matter;

- Ability to interpret independent opinions effectively and efficiently.

### **Excellent**

(A+, A, A-) Strong evidence of:

- Positive listening, ability to stimulate class discussion and comment on other points;
- Sufficient pre-class preparation and familiarity with peer reports and other materials.

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(B+, B, B-) Some evidence of:

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### **Fair**

(C+, C, C-) Limited evidence of:

- Positive listening, ability to initiate class discussion and comment on other points;
- Sufficient pre-class preparation and familiarity with peer reports and other materials.

### **Marginal**

(D) Marginally satisfies the basic requirements of the discussion and comment on other points.

### **Failure**

(F) Fail to meet minimum requirements of discussion and comment on other points.

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## **Assessment Task**

Term Paper (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

### **Criterion**

- Ability to integrate various resources into primary and secondary levels as demanded.
- Ability to integrate ideas and opinions which can keep to the point, clear-cut subject, and distinct themes.
- Ability to criticize and analysis with convincing statement and creative comment.

### **Excellent**

(A+, A, A-) Strong evidence of:

- Rich content ability to integrate various resources into primary and secondary levels as demanded;
- Rigorous organization, coherent structure, systematic composition;
- Clear and integrated ideas which can keep to the point, clear-cut subject, distinct themes, ability to interpret the opinions effectively;
- Sufficient and organized references which can be utilized in accordance with the topic.
- Exact and fluent expression, good sense of context, ability to use various writing skills to make the paper convincing with proper diction.

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- Ability to express relevant points to the subject matter;
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- Sentence fluency and diction is acceptable.

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## Part III Other Information

### Keyword Syllabus

Bibliography. Edition. Proof-reading. Authenticity and authorship of Chinese ancient classics. Canon works. Unearthed materials. Traditional annotation techniques. Chinese reference books.

### Reading List

#### Compulsory Readings

Title	
1	N/A

#### Additional Readings

Title	
1	鄭良樹著：《古籍辨偽學》，台北：台灣學生書局，1986。
2	屈萬里著：《古籍導讀》，台北：台灣開明書店，1964。
3	高路明著：《古籍目錄與中國古代學術研究》，南京：江蘇古籍出版社，1997。
4	毛春翔著：《古書版本常談》，上海：上海古籍出版社，2002。
5	余嘉錫著：《古書通例》，上海：上海古籍出版社，1985。
6	李零著：《簡帛古書與學術源流》，北京：三聯書店，2004。
7	駢宇騫著：《簡帛文獻概述》，台北：萬卷樓圖書股份有限公司，2005。
8	程千帆、徐有富著：《校讎廣義·版本編》，濟南：齊魯書社，1988。
9	程千帆、徐有富著：《校讎廣義·典藏編》，濟南：齊魯書社，1988。
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13	屈萬里、昌彼得著：《圖書版本學要略》，台北：中國文化大學出版部，1986。
14	張心澂著：《偽書通考》，上海：上海書店出版社，1998。
15	王欣夫著：《文獻學講義》，上海：上海古籍出版社，1986。
16	裘錫圭著：《中國出土古文獻十講》，上海：復旦大學出版社，2004。
17	孫欽善著：《中國古文獻學史簡編》，北京：高等教育出版社，2001。
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20	張舜徽著：《中國文獻學》，鄭州：中州書畫社，1982。
21	Online Resources
22	臺灣中央研究院“漢籍電子文獻” <a href="http://www.sinica.edu.tw/~tdbproj/handy1/">http://www.sinica.edu.tw/~tdbproj/handy1/</a>
23	香港中文大學“漢達古文獻資料庫” <a href="http://www.chant.org/">http://www.chant.org/</a>
24	Chinese Historgraphy for Chinese History <a href="http://www.princeton.edu/chinese-historiography/index.xml">http://www.princeton.edu/chinese-historiography/index.xml</a>