

Northern Illinois University is offering the **world's first distance learning course on Burmese**, a language spoken by the majority of people in Burma/Myanmar. This course offers students the flexibility of studying the language from anywhere over the internet. All instruction will be live and conducted by Professor Tharaphi Than.

This course assumes no prior knowledge of the language. At the end of the course, students will be able to engage in everyday conversations and use the language for travel--from hiring a taxi to asking for a visa extension. Students will also learn how to read and write basic, colloquial Burmese. The course will be taught in English and Burmese.

Class size is limited to 15 people. This is a **non-credit bearing course**, designed for students, professionals, or others interested in learning beginning Burmese.

For additional information, please contact the NIU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences External Programming department at LASEP@niu.edu or 1-815-753-5200.

Dates and Meeting Times

Module 1 will run September 1 - November 3 (10 weeks) from 2 - 4 p.m. CST (subject to change based on demand from different regions); 6 - 8 p.m. (Sao Paulo), 8 - 10 p.m. GMT, 10 p.m. - 12 a.m. (Cape Town), 7 - 9 a.m. (Sydney), 8 - 10 p.m. (London).

Course Fees

\$480 per module for 20 hours over 10 weeks (\$480 for Module 1 only; \$960 for Modules 1-2; \$1440 for Modules 1-3).

Continuation of the Course

Based on the demand, module 2 and 3 of the beginning course may be offered starting December 1, 2016 and February 9, 2017 respectively. Modules 1, 2, and 3 are roughly equivalent to a beginning Burmese course.

Course Requirements

Colloquial Burmese by San San Hnin Tun (ISBN-13: 978-0415517300); access to internet.

How to Enroll

Professionals and students can enroll in the course at: http://niu.edu/clasep/specialevents/burmese.

Corporate Clients

For one-on-one and tailor-made courses, please contact Tharaphi Than at tthan@niu.edu.

Four Ways to Register:

- 1. PHONE 1-800-345-9472 or 1-815-753-0277 to register with a credit card.
- 2. FAX your form to 1-815-753-6900 to register with a credit card.
- 3. MAIL your completed registration form with check to: University Outreach Services, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois 60115-2860 USA
- 4. ONLINE at http://niu.edu/clasep/specialevents/burmese

REGISTRATION FORM, Event #14822

"Beginning Burmese"

Module 1: Thursdays, September 1 – November 3 from 2 – 4 p.m. CST Module 2: Thursdays, December 1 – February 2 from 2 – 4 p.m. CST Module 3: Thursdays, February 9 – April 13 from 2 – 4 p.m. CST Northern Illinois University

Fee: Only \$480 USD per person for each module, which includes 2 hours of live instruction each Thursday for 10 weeks (total of 20 hours). All registrations are confirmed by payment. Non-credit course requirements include Colloquial Burmese by San San Hnin Tun and access to the internet.

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Cancellations/Refunds: Requests for refunds are accepted if written notification is received by NIU Outreach before 4:30 p.m. August 12 (refunds will be issued minus a \$25 USD processing fee). No refunds issued for cancellations received after 4:30 p.m., August 12. Substitutions of registrants may be made, without penalty, any time prior to the program's commencement. All registrations confirmed by payment.