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## Library Impact Statement for CHN 485/486

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**LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)**  
**LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT**

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: CHN 485 and CHN 486

Department, College: Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures

Faculty Member: Wen Xiong

Date returned to Faculty: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Librarian Completing Assessment: Mona Anne Niedbala, Education & Curriculum  
Materials Librarian

Collection Management Officer: Joanna Burkhardt

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These are the two parts of an 8-weeks summer intensive advanced Chinese literature course focusing on major modern and contemporary Chinese writers and their works. It aims at building on and consolidating the work completed in previous Chinese studies and introducing students a range of literary writings by master writers from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century to the middle of 20<sup>th</sup> century. Students will view the related films for background information and to reinforce their reading and discussion. On completion of this course, in addition to their improved modern Chinese language skills, students should have a better understanding of what constitutes the Chinese ethos formulated by the Chinese people -- as part of the world community -- in their use of language, in their faith, beliefs and philosophical inquiry, in the various forms of literary expression, as well as through their own reflections on the merits and faults of Chinese culture and civilization.

In order to work on the projects and papers for this course, students will have access to the Confucius Institute collections, the URI Library reference and circulating collections, and to other HELIN library collections.

There is collection development funding available for acquiring the print and video resources on Chinese culture and civilization and Chinese literature recommended by Professor Xiong that are not available at URI.

The Librarian considers that, with the support and assistance of the faculty in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, the Library can provide proper resources for student learning and research for this course.