

**ASIANLANG 407 (4 credits)**  
**Third Semester Thai**  
**Summer 2021**  
**Zoom**

**Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**  
**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

**Instructors:**

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**Office hours:** Tuesday & Thursday 2.30 - 4.00 p.m.**I. COURSE OVERVIEW**

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## VI. GRADING

### Grading Scale:

A	93 - 100
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BC	75 - 79
C	61 - 74
D	55 - 60
F	≤ 54

### Evaluation is based on:

a. Participation/attendance	20 %
b. Homework	20 %
c. Project	20 %
d. Quizzes	20 %
e. Final exam	20 %

## VII. TENTATIVE COURSE CALENDAR:

### **Integrated skills covering topics of**

#### Week 1:

- Self-introduction & getting to know classmates
- Collaboratively set learning goals and how to reach them
- Review of consonants, vowels, tones, numbers, times

#### Week 2:

- Food Center and Food Menu
- Ordering Food
- Comparing Food Flavors & Textures
- Making Food

#### Week 3:

- On a Trip
- Reading & Writing a Postcard
- Searching & Renting a Place

#### Week 4:

- Covid-19
- Cold & Flu
- Remedial Food

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- Date/ Day/ Month/ Year
- Holidays: New Year, Songkran, etc

Week 2:

- Thai Folk Tales

Week 3:

- Emotion & Feeling
- Expressing Yourself!

Week 4:

- Daily News
- Reading & Writing & Telling News

Exam