Leveraging Role of Liaison Librarian for Curriculum Improvement

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Introduction
Through the support of our library’s Course Enrichment Grant (CEG), the East Asian liaison librarian brings a Sociology professor (who specializes in China, also a Chinese native), and the Chinese language professor together to incorporate the expert lectures (delivered in Chinese) into a Chinese language course – Media Chinese. In the process of planning the new lectures, information literacy and educational technology classes are built into the course.

Course Enrichment Grant (CEG)
CEG Is the program UVA Library developed where small grants are awarded to faculty members interested in working with a team of subject liaison librarians, digital technologists, data specialists, and teaching & learning librarians to enhance new or existing courses.

Result
New elements added to Media Chinese:
➢ Two lectures on One Belt One Road Initiative by the Sociology professor, with the Library helped select appropriate reading material in Chinese and provided the resources.
➢ Three short library instruction sessions, coordinated with the lectures and focusing on the resources in Chinese, offered throughout the semester to develop students’ information literacy competencies.
➢ Two sessions of media technology workshop taught by the Library’s Education Technologist to help the students produce more professional video segments for their final class project.