

# An Introduction to Nahuatl: The Language of the Aztecs

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**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29 • 3:00 PM • Register to attend at: <https://bit.ly/3kIYvX5>**

In this workshop, students will have their first exposure to the Nahuatl language and culture. The language we will focus on is the variety from the municipality of Chicontepec, in the Huasteca region of northern Veracruz, Mexico. Overall, students will learn about the culture where the language is spoken and practice situations such as how to introduce themselves, how to introduce another person, and students will learn how to use the several expressions of farewells. Come to learn Nahuatl! Knowledge of Spanish is not required for this workshop.

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