

Chinese Language Study Programs in the U.S.

Arlington Public Schools STARTALK Program (Arlington, VA)

Three-week summer program in Arabic and Chinese for current 4th – 12th graders provided free under terms of the Federal grant. Elementary program open only to Arlington residents and is intended for students with limited or no previous experience with the language. Secondary program is designed for students with up to two years of formal study in the language and will be open to non-Arlington students on a space-available basis. <http://www.apsva.us/page/2134>

Concordia Language Villages (Moorehead, MN)

Concordia Language Villages has taught language and cultural immersion for over 50 years. Language instruction in Chinese has been offered to learners of all ages and skill levels since 1984 and is one of their most popular programs. One-, two- and four-week programs for students PreK – adults.

<http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/newsite/Languages/chinese1.php>

Middlebury Monterey Academy (various locations in the U.S.)

Chinese language summer camps, both four-week residential and two-week day programs, offered for middle school and high school students. For summer 2012, the closest location to Washington DC. offering a day program is National Cathedral School; intensive residential programs are being held on four U.S. college campuses.

<http://mmla.middlebury.edu/>

STARTALK Summer Chinese Programs (various locations in the U.S.)

Federal grant providing summer language programs in various U.S. locations in critical languages including Chinese, Arabic and Russian, with partial to full scholarships. <http://startalk.umd.edu/students>

University of Maryland Intensive Summer Institute (College Park, MD)

to rising freshmen, undergraduates, graduate students, professionals and other interested learners. This intensive program is equivalent to one full academic year and instruction will be offered at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.

V.C.U. STARTALK Chinese Academy (Richmond, VA)

Three-week residential program for Virginia high-school students at Virginia Commonwealth University provides 4-5 hours of formal daily instruction, plus an additional 6-8 hours of activities each day to promote active use and exposure to Chinese. **Applications for 2012 are closed.** Details for 2013 program will be announced Fall 2012. <http://www.has.vcu.edu/wld/academies/index.html>

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