

Opportunities to Study Chinese Language and Culture in the U.S. and Abroad

Listing of Programs and Scholarships



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PROGRAMS TO STUDY CHINESE IN THE U.S.

Chinatown Community Cultural Center

<http://www.ccccdc.org/templates/content.asp?articleid=401&zoneid=12>

Program: private language tutoring for high school/college students, adult conversation classes

Age group: varies

Duration: varies

Location: 616 H Street NW Suite 201, Washington DC 20001

Choate Rosemary Hall

<http://www.choate.edu/summer/high-school-programs/discover-chinese/index.aspx>

Program: classroom instruction for beginning and intermediate students of Chinese

Age group: 8th – 11th graders

Duration: 4 weeks of daytime instruction (summer)

Location: Choate University

CommuniKids

<http://www.communikids.com/our-programs-/enrichment-programs>

Program: weekend and after-school language enrichment programs

Age group: 18 months - 8 years old

Duration: varies

Location: Washington, D.C.(Tenleytown) and Falls Church, VA

Concordia Language Villages

<http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/newsite/programs1.php>

Program: full-immersion Chinese language setting summer camp

Age group: children through high school students

Duration: varies

Location: Maplelag Resort in Minnesota

Hope Chinese School

<http://www.hopechinese.org/board/>

Program: weekend Chinese language and culture classes

Age group: varies

Duration: varies

Location: 7 campuses in Maryland, Virginia, and DC

Language Stars

<http://www.languagestars.com/program-overview/languages/mandarin.html>

Program: language enrichment programs for young learners

Age group: 12 months - 10 years old

Duration: varies

Location: Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia

Middlebury-Monterey Language Academy

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

Program: full-immersion Chinese language summer camp

Age group: middle school and high school students

Duration: 4 weeks over the summer

Location: offered at three U.S. universities, as well as at Beijing Academy

New World Bilingual Institute

http://www.nwbi.us/nwbi/welcome_en.php?language=eng

Program: classes and cultural programs, high school dragon dance team (traditional characters)

Age group: varies

Duration: semester

Location: George Mason University

Northern Virginia Chinese School

<http://www.nvchineseschool.org/About.php>

Program: weekend Chinese language and culture classes (traditional characters)

Age group: varies

Duration: varies

Location: George Mason High School

Northern Virginia Community College

<http://courses.vccs.edu/colleges/nova/courses/CHI201-ConversationalChineseMandarinI>

Program: Chinese language classes

Age group: varies

Duration: academic year and summer semester

Location: classes at Annandale and Alexandria campuses, as well as virtual classes

STARTALK Scholarship

<http://www.apsva.us/page/2134>

Program: intensive Chinese language camp (priority given to Arlington residents)

Age group: 6th to 8th graders

Duration: 3 weeks summer program

Location: Swanson Middle School, Arlington, VA

University of Virginia Summer Language Institute

<http://www.virginia.edu/summer/SLI/>

Program: intensive Chinese language program

Age group: rising 11th and 12th graders, graduate/undergraduate students, professionals, others

Duration: 8 weeks

Location: University of Virginia

VirtualVirginia.org

www.virtualvirginia.org

Program: online Chinese language classes

Age group: middle school and high school students

Duration: semester

Location: virtual

PROGRAMS TO STUDY CHINESE ABROAD

Chengdu American Center of Study Abroad

<http://www.gmeochina.com/programs-and-services/american-centers/summer-at-chengdu-center/>

Program: combined classroom and experiential learning course about China

Age group: undergraduate students

Duration: 5 weeks

Location: Sichuan University

China Fieldwork Semester Program

<http://www.sidwell.edu/upper-school/chinese-studies/china-fieldwork-semester-program/index.aspx>

Program: intensive project-based student research program

Age group: 11th and 12th graders

Duration: spring semester

Location: Xizhou, Yunnan

George Mason University Center for Global Education - Intensive Language Program in Beijing

<http://globaled.gmu.edu/programs/facultyled/summerstudy/chinalanguage.html>

Program: faculty-led, university-based language program

Age group: Mason students

Duration: 4 weeks

Location: Minzu University in Beijing

George Mason University Center for Global Education - Shanghai Internship

<http://globaled.gmu.edu/programs/internships/shanghaiinternship.html>

Program: unpaid professional internship for Mason credit

Age group: university students

Duration: 2 months

Location: Shanghai

George Mason University Center for Global Education – Tsinghua University Exchange

<http://globaled.gmu.edu/programs/directexchanges/tsinghua.html>

Program: direct exchange program between Mason and Tsinghua University

Age group: Mason students

Duration: 1 or 2 semesters

Location: Tsinghua University in Beijing

Hopkins-Nanjing Center

<http://www.sais-jhu.edu/graduate-studies/campuses/nanjing-china>

Program: graduate programs for Chinese and American students

Age group: graduate students

Duration: varies

Location: Nanjing University

Landon in China

<http://www.landon.net/page.cfm?p=4708>

Program: travel program involving sight-seeing and language and culture classes

Age group: rising 9th to graduating 12th graders

Duration: 4 weeks

Location: various locations in China

Lotus Education

<http://lotuseducation.org/>

Program: facilitates high school, college, volunteer, and homestay experiences in China

Age group: varies

Duration: varies

Location: various locations in China

Putney Student Travel

<http://goputney.com/programs/china/>

Program: language learning excursions

Age group: high school students

Duration: 4 weeks

Location: various locations throughout China

Rotary Youth Exchange

<https://www.rotary.org/en/youth-exchanges>

Program: study-abroad opportunity hosted by local Rotary clubs

Age group: 15 – 19 years old

Duration: exchanges are few weeks to a full year in length

Location: varies

Tsinghua University Summer Service and Learning Program in Rural China

<http://globalaffairs.gmu.edu/articles/5161>

Program: program in which volunteers teach English and provide other services to local students

Age group: university students

Duration: 3 – 4 weeks

Location: various locations in rural China

Where There Be Dragons

<http://wheretherebedragons.com/programs/summer-abroad-programs/china/>

Program: various summer study and travel options in China and Taiwan

Age group: high school and university students

Duration: varies

Location: varies

SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDY CHINESE ABROAD

American Association of State Colleges and Universities Scholarship

<http://www.aascu.org/programs/internationaleducation/chinascholarship/>

Program: scholarship to be applied to studying at a Chinese university

Age group: undergraduate and graduate students

Duration: academic year

Location: Chinese university eligible to accept foreign students and Chinese Government Scholarships

Americans Promoting Study Abroad Scholarship

<http://apsaglobal.org/programs/>

Program: summer program for high school students to take intensive language classes in China

Age group: U.S. students 15 – 17 years old; priority given to high school sophomores

Duration: 4 – 6 weeks

Location: Beijing or Shanghai

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

<http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/About-the-Program>

Program: grants to pursue academic studies or credit-bearing, career-oriented internships abroad

Age group: undergraduate students

Duration: varies

Location: varies

Blakemore Foundation Language Grant

<http://www.blakemorefoundation.org/Language%20Grants/Language.htm>

Program: scholarships for advanced Chinese language study

Age group: undergraduate degree-holders

Duration: academic year

Location: Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University in Beijing or International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University in Taipei

Boren Fellowship

https://www.borenawards.org/boren_fellowship/basics.html

Program: fellowship for area or language studies or increased language proficiency

Age group: graduate students

Duration: minimum of 12 weeks, maximum of 24 months

Location: varies

Boren Scholarship

https://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship/basics.html

Program: scholarships for long-term linguistic and cultural immersion

Age group: undergraduate students

Duration: semester or academic year

Location: varies

Chinese Government Scholarship

<http://www.csc.edu.cn/Laihua/scholarshipdetailen.aspx?cid=97&id=2050>

Program: scholarship to be applied to studying at a Chinese university

Age group: undergraduate and graduate students; ages 18 - 35

Duration: one semester or academic year

Location: university eligible to accept foreign students and Chinese Government Scholarships

Confucius Institute Scholarship

<http://confucius.gmu.edu/summerprograms.cfm>

Program: scholarship to be applied to studying at a Chinese university

Age group: undergraduate and graduate students; ages 18 - 35

Duration: one semester or academic year

Location: university eligible to accept foreign students and Confucius Institute Scholarship

Critical Language Scholarship Program

<http://www.clscholarship.org/information-for/applicants>

Program: scholarship for intensive Chinese language study in China

Age group: undergraduate, masters and doctoral-level students

Duration: 7 – 10 weeks

Location: China

Fullbright Student Program

<http://exchanges.state.gov/us/program/fulbright-us-student-program>

Program: fellowship to study, conduct research and/or teach English abroad

Age group: U.S. graduating college seniors, graduate students, young professionals and artists

Duration: 9 months in Singapore, 10 months in China/Taiwan

Location: Singapore, China or Taiwan

Huayu Enrichment Scholarship

<http://english.moe.gov.tw/ct.asp?xItem=6777&CtNode=10634&mp=1>

Program: scholarship for study in Taiwan to increase understanding of Taiwanese culture and society

Age group: high school graduates, 18 years or older

Duration: 2 months (June- July or July- August), or 3, 6, 9, 12 months from September to August

Location: any accredited Chinese language center in a university or college in Taiwan

James Bradley Peace Foundation to China Scholarship

<https://yfuusa.org/scholarships/james-bradley-peace-foundation-to-china-15.php>

Program: scholarship for study at a Chinese high school

Age group: high school students

Duration: academic year (summer departure)

Location: China

Luce Scholars Program

<http://www.hluce.org/lprogram.aspx>

Program: language training and individualized professional placement in Asia with stipend

Age group: at least 30 years old; must at least hold a bachelor's degree

Duration: roughly 13 months

Location: China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan

National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) Scholarship

<http://www.nsliforyouth.org/languages-and-programs/mandarin/>

Program: scholarships to study critical languages abroad

Age group: high school students

Duration: a summer or an academic year

Location: varies

Pacific Prime Global Diversity Scholarship

<http://www.diversityabroad.com/partner/pacific-prime-insurance-brokers/scholarship/Pacific%20Prime%20Global%20Diversity%20Scholarship-1667>

Program: scholarship to facilitate study abroad in Asia

Age group: degree-seeking students

Duration: at least one semester

Location: varies

University of Central Arkansas Chinese Bridge Summer Camp

<http://uca.edu/confucius/summercamp2014>

Program: two-week language and cultural education tour in China

Age group: high school students (priority given to Arkansas residents)

Duration: varies

Location: varies