Recommendations

B.A. Chinese Studies

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Global Learning

Timing for “study abroad” Many opportunities are available to study in Chinese-speaking countries. The Confucius Institute at USC is an important resource for students who want to study in China. Our Confucius Institute partner, Beijing Language and Culture University, is a premier institution for the teaching and learning of the Chinese language and is the home of China’s most well-established program for teaching Chinese to foreign students. The Confucius Institute offers scholarships for long-term study in China and conducts annual study tours to China during winter and summer break. USC also has a long-standing partnership with Ming Chuan University, located on the outskirts of Taipei, Taiwan. Several of our students have won valuable fellowships and awards for study abroad, such as the Critical Languages Scholarship and the Fulbright Scholarship.

Why this is important Critical Languages such as Chinese require extensive training for students to achieve full fluency. Moreover, the experience of living in a Chinese-speaking environment will provide students with a much deeper level of cultural knowledge.

How students can get started Contact any member of the Chinese faculty or consult with the Study Abroad Office.

Peer Leadership

Student Organization(s) The Chinese Language Club holds regular meetings for students interested in Chinese language and culture. Students can also participate in language exchanges through the Conversation Partners program operated by USC's English Program for Internationals.

Why this is important These student-centered programs offer new ways to practice the Chinese language, learn about Chinese culture, meet international students at the university, and forge valuable connections with other students and members of the local community.

How students can get started Contact information for the Chinese Language Club is available at http://web.sa.sc.edu/chineselanguageclub/. The English Program for International's page is at http://www.epi.sc.edu/.

Research

Sample research projects or topics Many students in the Chinese program have received support for research from the Magellan program, the Walker Institute, and other sources. Recent research projects have included topics such as clinical applications for Chinese medicines in the United States, the history of Chinese students studying in the US, and the literature and film of the Chinese revolution.

Why this is important In addition to their language training, it is crucial for students to learn how to use English- and Chinese-language sources and research portals. The hands-on training that comes from these research projects helps students to develop valuable skills that will serve them in almost any career.
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Initial career opportunities

Students graduating with a B.A. in Chinese Studies have a range of career options, especially in education, international business, and public service.

Related graduate programs

MA and PhD in Comparative Literature; MA and PhD in Linguistics; graduate training in Education.

Future career opportunities

Management in multi-national firms; teachers and professors; public servants in diplomatic, military, and intelligence organizations; management in social service organizations; translators and interpreters; journalists and business analysts.

The listed experiences are a sample of options for your major. See the USC Connect experiences database to search for more opportunities.

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