



**CENTER FOR LANGUAGE
EDUCATION AND COOPERATION**
中外语言交流合作中心

INTERNATIONAL CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP 2026

for students of the Confucius Institute of Athens

Introduction

This announcement concerns applications for the International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship 2026 submitted through the Business Confucius Institute of Athens, which acts as a Recommending Institution.

I. Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be non-Chinese citizens
 - Comply with Chinese laws and host institution regulations
 - Be in good physical and mental health
 - Have good academic performance
 - Be interested in Chinese language education
 - Be aged 16–35 (up to 45 for in-service teachers)
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II. Eligibility through the Business Confucius Institute of Athens

Applications are open **exclusively to students who are officially enrolled and actively attending the Business Confucius Institute of Athens during the application year.**

The recommendation letter must be issued exclusively by the course instructor of the Institute.

Applications are internally reviewed and electronically endorsed by the Business Confucius Institute of Athens before submission to the system.

III. Scholarship Categories and Requirements

- Doctoral
- Master's
- Bachelor's
- One-year
- One-semester

1. PhD in International Chinese Language Education

The program commences in September 2026.

- Duration: up to 4 years

Requirements:

- Master's degree in Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language, Linguistics, International Chinese Language Education, or a related field
- HSK 6 \geq 200 + HSKK Advanced \geq 60 (or HSK 7)

Priority will be given to applicants who provide an employment agreement (or equivalent proof) with a teaching institution for post-graduation employment.

2. Master's 's Degree in International Chinese Language Education

The program commences in September 2026.

- Duration: up to 2 years

Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree
- HSK 5 \geq 210 + HSKK Intermediate \geq 60

Priority will be given to applicants who provide an employment agreement (or equivalent proof) with a teaching institution for post-graduation employment.

3. Bachelor's Program

The program commences in September 2026.

- Duration: up to 4 years

Requirements:

- Senior high school diploma
- HSK 4 \geq 210 + HSKK Intermediate \geq 60

Priority will be given to applicants who provide an employment agreement (or equivalent proof) with a teaching institution for post-graduation employment.

4. One-Year Program Study Program

The program commences in September 2026. Duration of up to 11 months.

Requirements (by track):

- **International Chinese Language Education:**

Minimum HSK Level 3 score: 270 + HSKK score required

- **Chinese Language and Literature / Chinese History / Chinese Philosophy, etc.:**

Minimum HSK Level 4 score: 180 + HSKK (Intermediate Level): \geq 60

- **Chinese Language Study:**

Minimum HSK Level 3 score: 210

Priority will be given to applicants who provide an HSKK score

5. One-Semester Program Study Program

The program commences either in September 2026 or March 2027.

- Duration of up to five months.

Requirements (by track):

- **International Chinese Language Education / Chinese Language and Literature / Chinese History / Chinese Philosophy, etc.:**

HSK 3 \geq 180 + HSKK score required

- **Traditional Chinese Medicine / Taiji Culture:**

HSK score required.

Priority will be given to applicants who provide an HSKK score.

IV. Application Procedure

Applications are submitted via:

<http://www.chinese.cn>

Applications must be approved by the Business Confucius Institute of Athens before submission.

Deadlines:

- **May 15, 2026 (for programs commencing in September)**
- **September 15, 2026 (for programs commencing in December)**
- **October 31, 2026 (for programs commencing in March 2027)**

V. Coverage

- Tuition
- Accommodation

- Living allowance
 - Medical insurance
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VI. Required Documents

- Passport copy
- Valid HSK/HSKK certificates
- Enrollment/attendance certificate (current year) at the BCI Athens
- Recommendation letter from course instructor (BCI Athens)
- Academic records

Notes:

- Documents must be issued within the application year
 - HSK/HSKK certificates must be within two-year validity
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VII. FAQ

Who can apply through the Institute?

Only currently enrolled students.

Can I submit older documents?

No. Documents must be issued within the application year.

Who issues the recommendation letter?

Your course instructor at the Institute.

How long are HSK/HSKK certificates valid?

Two years.

Are screenshots accepted?

No.

IX. Contact

For inquiries regarding the application process through the Business Confucius

Institute of Athens, applicants should contact the Institute.

For inquiries specifically related to the online application system and the www.chinese.cn platform, applicants may contact CLEC directly:

- Tel: +86-10-58595743
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- Email: scholarships@chinese.cn