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STARTALK Chinese Language and Culture Teacher Program - Summer 2012

Dates and Time: July 9-28 | 9:00am-3:30pm | *Monday-Friday and July 28
Location: Bryant University, Smithfield, Rhode Island

This three-week summer program provides vigorous professional development on Chinese language and culture for current and prospective K-12 teachers.

The program offers two tracks:

Language Track for current and prospective **Chinese language teachers** from public, private and heritage schools. During the first week, participants will receive intensive training on language teaching methodology, strategies, standards, contents, and technology. During the second and third week, participants will be asked to observe master teachers and teach several practice classes with middle and high school students in the morning and participate in cultural workshops and activities in the afternoon.

Culture Track for **teachers of social studies, history, arts, literature, science and other subject areas** who are interested in incorporating Chinese culture and language contents into their curriculum. This track will focus on providing participants with knowledge and classroom activities about Chinese culture and history. At the same time, participants will spend half of the time learning basic language skills that will enable them to conduct daily conversations in Chinese and better understand Chinese culture through the language.

Program Features

- 3 graduate credits (optional) with discount tuition
- Certificate of 100 professional development credit hours
- Lectures and seminars by renowned scholars
- Workshops by experienced teachers to share lesson plans and activities
- Various cultural activities, including calligraphy, painting, Taiji, and etc
- Field trips to the Peabody Essex Museum (Ying Yu Tang and China exhibits), Boston Chinatown, and Newport Mansions in Rhode Island
- Practice classes with middle and high school students
- Eligibility to participate in a two-week optional **SUBSIDIZED** study trip to China (early August) at additional cost
- Campus dorms available for **FREE** for participants who live 30 miles away from Bryant (first come first served)
- Breakfast and lunch provided

Application

Previous experience of related teaching is not required. **The program fee is \$150 (non-refundable).** A refundable deposit of \$200 is required. **Seats are limited and filled quickly.** Please apply early. Application and more information are available at: <http://china.bryant.edu>

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Past participants:

"It's a very intense, rewarding, educational program well worth the time and commitment."

"I intend to highly recommend this program to my colleagues. I also hope to return next year with many of my colleagues."

"History, arts, language, and cultural information made this a very well balanced program."