



THE LANGUAGE FLAGSHIP

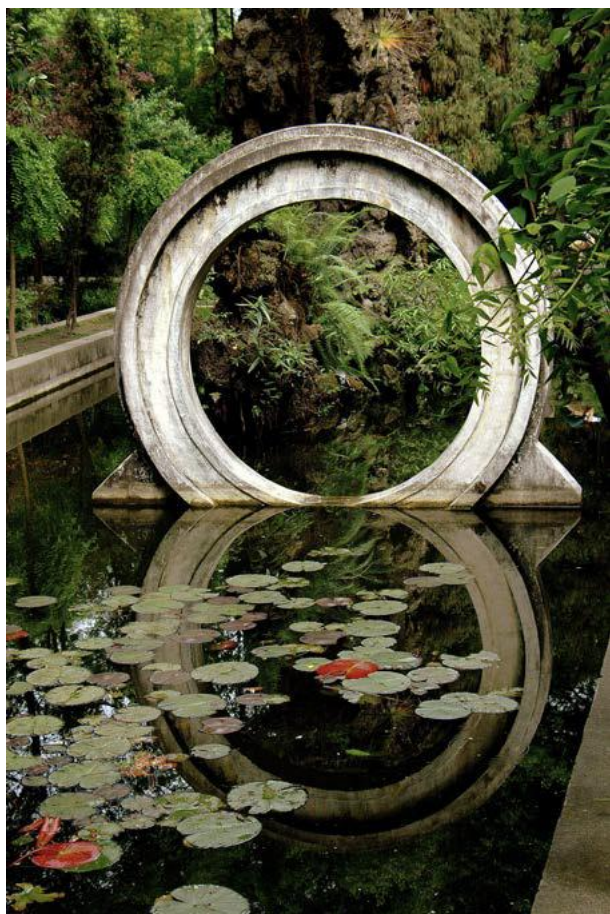
Creating Global Professionals

University of Oregon *Chinese Flagship Program*

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Chinese Flagship Introductory
Video!*

Academic Excellence: Cross-Disciplinary Study & Meaningful Internship

The University of Oregon Chinese Flagship Program provides students with the resources to study abroad for free with the opportunity to develop professional-level proficiency in Chinese while pursuing any academic major. Flagship's cutting-edge research-based curriculum and exclusive study abroad experiences take students above and beyond the standards of a regular college degree and opens a wide variety of exciting career paths.



Flagship students take content-infused language courses at the UO, participate in summer study abroad, and receive individualized tutoring. **Before graduating, students participate in a 10-month intensive language immersion and internship program known as the Capstone year.** Upon graduation, Flagship Scholars can earn national certification through The Language Flagship.

Flagship graduates are Global Professionals: having achieved professional-level fluency in Chinese, lived and studied abroad, and completed a full-time internship. They are highly competitive for admission to graduate school or ready to directly enter their chosen career field.

"I knew the only way Chinese could truly be advantageous to a professional career was if I was fluent in it. Completing the Flagship requirements certifies that I can actually use Chinese professionally, something very few Americans are capable of."

– Chinese Flagship Scholar



Because of the cross-disciplinary focus of the Flagship Program, most students double major in Chinese and another academic area. Language proficiency can expand career opportunities in many ways, and common majors for Flagship students include business, global and area studies, marketing, journalism, political science, psychology, the natural sciences, computer and information sciences, music, design, and even other languages!

The Language Flagship

The University of Oregon Chinese Flagship Program is a part of the Language Flagship, a national effort to change the way Americans learn languages. The Language Flagship is funded by the National Security Education Program under the U.S. Department of Defense. Flagship offers language programs at schools across the United States for undergraduate students to study critical languages such as Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu. The Language Flagship seeks to graduate students who will take their place among the next generation of global professionals, commanding a superior level of proficiency in one of many languages critical to U.S. competitiveness and security.



Welcoming Community of Dedicated Faculty & Students

The University of Oregon Chinese Flagship Program provides a welcoming environment where students are supported and feel like they belong. Students become part of a local and international community of Chinese speaking students and faculty throughout their academic studies. They receive regular tutoring from professionally trained native Chinese speaking tutors, personalized mentoring and advising from university faculty, and access to [specialized summer programs](#).



Students also regularly participate in cultural activities and events within the community. Students can develop their leadership skills by joining the Flagship [Banzhang Student Leadership group](#). Students are eligible to live in the [Global Scholars Hall](#) dormitory with a floor dedicated to Living the Chinese Language, an opportunity to live next door to like-minded peers.



Generous Scholarship Assistance

Joining Flagship will **greatly reduce the financial burden** of achieving professional language proficiency and can significantly **reduce the overall cost of college**. Each Chinese Flagship student is **allocated a minimum of \$20,000 to study abroad** throughout their academic learning careers. Flagship students **are eligible for additional financial support**, including both merit-based and need-based awards. Flagship also offers individualized advising and application support for students to **apply to competitive external scholarships**, such as the [Boren Award](#), [Gilman Award](#), [Freeman ASIA](#), [Critical Language Scholarships](#), and [other opportunities](#). Due to the rigorous nature of the program and students' commitment to learning, Flagship scholars are highly competitive candidates for scholarships, resulting in a high rate of success among our applicants.

Flagship applicants who apply by the **priority deadline of January 31** are **automatically considered for special University of Oregon Chinese Flagship scholarships**, including the Global Scholar Award, which offers \$3,000 to high-merit incoming Flagship freshman.

*Click here for more
scholarship
opportunities*

Eligibility Requirements and Admission Procedures

Eligibility

The University of Oregon Chinese Flagship Program is an honors-level program and admission is competitive. To be eligible, students must:

- Have a high school or incoming transfer GPA of 3.25 or higher
- Demonstrate a passion for studying Chinese language and culture
- Commit to developing superior-level Chinese proficiency
- Commit to a one-year study abroad and internship experience in China

Placement into Flagship courses will be based on previous learning experience, Chinese teacher recommendation (when applicable), oral interviews with Flagship instructors, and placement testing as needed.



"UO Chinese Flagship gave me the resources to study abroad multiple times in college for free!"

– Chinese Flagship alum '21



Admission Procedures



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The **priority application deadline** each year is **January 31**. Applications received after the deadline will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. There is no Flagship application fee.

All students must first apply to the University of Oregon. After applying to the UO, students submit the application for the Chinese Flagship Program, which is found on our website.

The application includes:

- A statement of purpose written in English
- A short essay written in Chinese
- Two teacher recommendations
- Oral proficiency interview (scheduled after submission of application)
- Online reading and listening assessments (scheduled after submission)



Apply to UO

Deadline: January 15
<http://admissions.uoregon.edu/>

Apply to Chinese
Flagship Program

Priority deadline: January 31
chineseflagship.uoregon.edu

Apply for FAFSA
(recommended)

Deadline: March 1
<https://studentaid.gov>

Proficiency
assessment

The Chinese Flagship Program
will email instructions to you

Apply for Global Engagement
Academic Residential
Community (recommended)

<http://housing.uoregon.edu>



Next Steps



To apply:

<http://chineseflagship.uoregon.edu/apply>

For more information:

<http://chineseflagship.uoregon.edu>

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