# Study Abroad for

# Chinese Language

RIT students majoring in Chinese must participate in an international experience before graduating. Eligible study abroad experiences include: a full semester program (fall or spring); academic year program; or a summer program with approval from the Chinese program director Zhong Chen.

Students doing a minor or immersion in Chinese would greatly benefit from spending time abroad enhancing their Chinese language skills and learning about Chinese culture. Students should meet with their CLA language coordinator.



- Hearing, reading, and using your Chinese skills on a daily basis improves your pronunciation, vocabulary, and comprehension.
- Gaining an understanding of the cultural origins of the Chinese language will give you new clarity and meaning to words and sentences that once seemed abstract.
- Acquiring advanced-level Chinese language skills increases your value to prospective employers.



### For a culturally immersive experience

- Live with a local family in a homestay.
- Take elective courses in Chinese.
- Set English aside join clubs and other activities that give you the opportunity to interact with Chinese-speaking students.
- Attend community events, festivals, and activities that are not typically for tourists.

#### **Next Steps**

- 1) Talk with your academic advisor and CLA language faculty to discuss timing and coursework.
- 2) Use the program list on back as a starting point to explore programs. Or do a search in the RIT Study **Abroad Compass:** 
  - www.rit.edu/global/compasssearch-programs-apply
- 3) Make an appointment to meet with RIT Study Abroad Advisor, Roseanne Hernandez





# **Scholarships**

- > CLA Global Opportunity (GO) **Grant** - automatic \$500 grant for CLA majors to study abroad
- > Gilman Scholarship open to U.S. citizens who receive a Pell grant gilmanscholarship.org
- > Freeman Asia Scholarship www.iie.org/programs/freeman-asia/
- Critical Language Scholarship clscsholarship.org
- Boren Scholarship borenawards.org



#### **Chinese Language Programs Abroad**

Location	Term(s) Offered	Program Provider	Program Name	Program Details
SEMESTER PROGRAMS				
Taipei, Taiwan	Fall, Spring	CIEE	Chinese Language & Area Studies (National Taiwan Normal University)	Full semester, 12-16 credits Advanced level language program. Students may take classes taught in Chinese, Chinese language, and other area study courses taught in Mandarin or English. Optional internship is also offered.
Taipei, Taiwan	Fall, Spring	CIEE	Semester in Taipei (National Taiwan University)	Full semester, 12-16 credits Advanced level language program. Students may take classes taught in Chinese, Chinese language, and other area study courses taught in Mandarin or English. Optional internship is also offered.
SUMMER PROGRAMS				
Taipei, Taiwan	Summer	CIEE	Summer Accelerated Chinese Language	Summer, 8 weeks, 10 credits Beginner to advanced Chinese language courses. Students take 2 language courses on the program

RIT Education Abroad only sends students to countries/regions with a Level 1 or 2 <u>Travel Advisory</u> from the U.S. Department of State. As of March 2024, mainland China is at a Level 3 Travel Advisory. Students interested in study abroad programs to countries with a Level 3 or 4 advisory, would be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Make an appointment to meet with RIT study abroad advisor, Roseanne Hernandez:

www.rit.edu/global/AdvisorMeeting

PROGRAM PROVIDER WEBSITES:

CIEE Programs - ciee.org