

Looking Ahead

The USF Confucius Institute is continuously working to strengthen current programs while expanding the development of statewide networks for Chinese language teachers and school administrators. These networks will help sustain and develop Chinese language programs, allowing them to be effective.

Key Initiatives

- Broaden and improve our selection of USF credit and non-credit courses
- Expand outreach to the Tampa Bay community by providing language and culture classes to community members, and build ties with local businesses
- Enhance partnerships between Florida schools and schools in China by building a network of Confucius Classrooms
- Partner with the Florida Chinese Teachers Association and the Chinese Language Teachers Association - FL
- Expand the Confucius Institute Lecture Series
- Sponsor events to promote cross-cultural understanding and peace



Confucius Institute at USF

The USF Confucius Institute (CI) was established in February 2008 through a partnership between USF and Qingdao University in China. The CI is jointly supported by USF, Qingdao University, and Hanban (the Confucius Institute Headquarters). It is part of a global network to promote the study of Chinese language and culture, and cross-cultural understanding.



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The USF Confucius Institute

PROMOTING CHINESE LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE



What We Do

Supports credit-based Chinese language and culture courses

Offer non-credit Chinese language and culture courses for USF employees and Tampa Bay community members

Organize public lectures on Chinese society, culture, and U.S.-China relations

Offer learning and teaching resources through the Chinese Cultural Center

Administer Chinese language proficiency tests (HSK for adults and YCT for K-12 students)

Host cultural events, such as the Chinese New Year

Organize the Chinese Bridge Competition for college and high school students in Florida



USF Student, Victor Florez, China Study Abroad Program

USF Academic Support

The USF Confucius Institute instructors teach a variety of credit-based Chinese language and culture courses in partnership with the Department of World Languages and other colleges across the university. Additionally, the Confucius Institute provides annual scholarships for students to study in China.

Courses Offered at USF

- Modern Chinese I, II, III, and IV
- Business Chinese
- Contemporary China
- Chinese History
- Chinese Cinema
- Intercultural Communication with Chinese
- Modern Chinese Literature
- Ethnic Minority Cultures in China
- Summer Internships in China



USF Students Prepare for the Chinese Bridge Competition

Support for K-12 Schools



Thurgood Marshall Middle School Students Enjoy a Presentation by the USF Confucius Institute

The USF Confucius Institute offers a variety of resources for Florida K-12 schools. K-12 initiatives include:

- Annual conference on teaching Chinese in K-12 schools
- Teacher development workshops
- Project-based summer programs for students
- Facilitating student and teacher exchanges with K-12 schools in China
- Building sustainable statewide networks to promote best practices for administrators and Chinese language teachers
- Chinese proficiency tests for K-12 students
- Co-sponsoring language and culture events at local schools



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