Chinese Language Program

If you would like to experience everyday life in Chinese, the Chinese Language Program is a way to do that right on campus.

The Thatcher Language House offers the opportunity to live in a residence hall dedicated to learning a world language and exploring world cultures. In this hall of 110 students, the majority are a part of one of the seven Language and Culture Programs.

Participants in the Thatcher House Chinese Language Program live together in the residence hall which includes a kitchen, classroom, and lounges where students can socialize in the language. Also, they meet in the classroom regularly during the week for a specially-designed, two-credit conversation/culture course. An experienced graduate student from the Chinese department teaches the course and organizes social and cultural activities.

The Chinese Language Program members will engage in a variety of activities: Chinese New Year’s celebration, role playing everyday situations in Chinese life, learning calligraphy, hosting an authentic Chinese dinner. Both Chinese majors and non-majors from a variety of disciplines make up the Thatcher House Chinese Language Program. Often members become double majors, adding Chinese fluency to their professional training. There are a variety of opportunities for study in the People’s Republic of China and in Taiwan. The Program is an excellent place to prepare for study abroad, as well as a supportive community to return to after studying in China or Taiwan.

If you are interested in being part of this wonderful program, please make sure you have read the Thatcher Language and Culture House Program Explanation and then click here for the Application.

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APPLICATIONS ARE DUE AT MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH.