TROY-STARTALK
Student Chinese Language Summer Program
Troy University, Alabama

特洛伊大学-星谈计划
学生汉语夏令营

Application Form

June 26–July 10, 2016
TROY-STARTALK Program

Through STARTALK, a federal initiative to increase the number of the United States citizens learning critical-need languages, high school students will be awarded full scholarships to study Chinese in Troy University in Summer 2016. The program runs from June 26 to July 10, 2016, as a Residential Program.

Students will learn communication skills through an interactive approach to language learning. They will also learn about Chinese culture in small classes of no more than 12 students each; only two classes will be offered.

Selection will be based on (1) prior academic performance, (2) recommendation from a teacher or counsellor and (3) written responses to the questions in the essay section of the application.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS—Prospective students applying for TROY-STARTALK program must submit the following by April 30, 2016, the application deadline date:

- TROY-STARTALK Application, signed by the student, parent/guardian, and school guidance counsellor (Please note: some items on the application have been pre-completed by the TROY-STARTALK Office)
- A $50 application deposit (refundable upon graduation)
- Teacher/Counsellor recommendation
- Proof of current academic performance, i.e., transcript
- A completed essay (400 words maximum), on Why You Wanted to Learn Chinese

SUBMIT ALL DOCUMENTS TO:

TROY-STARTALK PROGRAM
026 Bibb Graves Hall, Troy University
Troy, AL 36082

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 30, 2016. . . . .STARTALK application deadline
May 7, 2016. . . . . Notification of acceptance
May 14, 2016 . . . . Orientation for accepted students (time and location TBA)
June 26, 2016 . . . . . Registration at the dorm
June 27, 2016. . . . .Classes begin
July 9, 2016. . . . . Graduation Ceremony
July 10, 2016. . . . . Students leave for home

For further information please contact
TROY-STARTALK Office:
Ms. Tingting Xiong  Tel: 334-808-6154 E-Mail: startalk@troy.edu
NAME (Please print)

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2. PHONES

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3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: ________________________________

4. BIRTHDATE: ________________________________

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5. RACIAL/ETHNIC CATEGORY

Colleges and universities are asked by many, including federal and state governments and national surveys to describe the racial/ethnic backgrounds of our students and employees. Please answer both questions. Definitions of these terms are available online: [http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/reic/definitions.asp](http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/reic/definitions.asp)

- Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin? ❏ Yes ❏ No
- What is your race? Select one or more of the following categories: ❏ American Indian or Alaska Native ❏ Asian ❏ Black or African American ❏ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ❏ White

6. GENDER: ❏ Male ❏ Female

8. Email ADDRESS: ________________________________

9. ARE YOU A UNITED STATES CITIZEN? ❏ Yes ❏ No

10. EMERGENCY CONTACT

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| Relationship to you (i.e. parent, guidance) |

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11. STUDENT CONDUCT (PERC)

Are you currently, or have you ever been, involved in a disciplinary process at another school or institution? ❏ Yes ❏ No

12. T-SHIRT SIZE

❏ Small ❏ Medium ❏ Large ❏ Extra Large

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This recommendation form needs to be completed by a teacher or a counsellor who can attest to your academic performance and/or personal attributes.

Student’s Name: _____________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: _____________________________________________________________________

E-mail: ___________________________________________________________________

Teacher’s/Counsellor’s Name: ________________________________________________

Subject Taught: _____________________________________________________________

School: ___________________________________________________________________

School Address: __________________________________________________________________

E-mail (optional): ___________________________________________________________________

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RECOMMENDATION/EVALUATION (Please type or print.)
Please feel free to write what you think is important about the applicant, including a description of academic and personal characteristics. We are particularly interested in the candidate’s intellectual purpose, motivation, maturity, integrity, independence, originality, initiative, leadership potential, special talents and enthusiasm. We welcome any information that will assist us in distinguishing this student from others. (Use reverse side or attachment if necessary.)

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Teacher/ Counsellor Signature Print Date (MM/DD/YY)