

# Teachers of Critical Languages Program



# Teach Mandarin in the United States

The **Teachers of Critical Languages Program** brings teachers of English or Mandarin as a Foreign Language to the U.S. for one year to teach Mandarin to American primary and secondary school students and serve as cultural resources for their host schools and communities.

#### **PROGRAM BENEFITS**

- Experience American culture and society while sharing Mandarin language and culture;
- Learn about U.S. teaching methodologies and improve English language skills through professional development workshops;
- J-1 visa support;
- A pre-departure orientation in Taiwan;
- Round-trip travel from Taiwan to and within the U.S.;
- A nine-day welcome orientation in Washington, DC;
- An approximate 10.5-month teaching assignment in a U.S. school;
- Accident and sickness health benefits plan during the program;
- Living stipend of approximately \$20,000 for the duration of the 10.5-month teaching assignment; and
- Monthly housing allowance (based on U.S. host community rates) and assistance finding housing.
- Selected teachers can bring family members at their own expense.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

TCLP is merit-based and open to anyone who:

- Is a resident of Taiwan;
- Is currently a full-time teacher of English or Mandarin as a Foreign Language in a primary or secondary (K-12) school in Taiwan;
- Has at least four years of full-time classroom teaching experience at the time of application;
- · Has a firm understanding of Mandarin;
- · Has at least a bachelor's degree;
- Is prepared to teach for the entire U.S. academic year with leave time limited to school breaks;
- Is proficient in written and spoken English; and
- Demonstrates a commitment to continue teaching after the completion of the program.
- The capability of teaching simplified Chinese characters and using pinyin in a U.S. classroom setting is a bonus.

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## **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

All TCLP candidates must complete an online application process:

Apply online to American Councils: https://ais.americancouncils.org/tclptaiwan

Deadline: January 10, 2022, 5:00 PM Taiwan Time

