

# CHINESE, B.A.

## RESOURCES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

### DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Department of Asian Languages and Cultures has various scholarships to support meritorious students in our programs. Application information and deadlines (<https://alc.wisc.edu/content/undergraduate-scholarships/>).

#### Chinese Language Learners Bridge Fund

Chinese Major Alumni Jarrett Wiesolek (Class of 2011) and Ali Dibble (Class of 2012) launched the Bridge Fund in 2016. CLLBF is designed to award scholarships to students who are passionate about learning Chinese and building bridges between UW–Madison and China.

#### Chou Kuo-p'ing Book Award

Several awards will be given each year to undergraduate students who are studying and will continue to study Chinese during the following semester. This award is made possible through a donation by Professor Emerita Chou Kuo-p'ing, the founder of the Chinese program here at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Professor Chou, a dedicated teacher, devoted her entire career to teaching, promoting, and developing Chinese studies in Wisconsin. Professor Chou was very active during her teaching career, and often helped financially disadvantaged students, especially those who excelled in their academic careers despite economic difficulties. Although this award is based mainly on the applicant's academic performance, special consideration is given to those who are financially disadvantaged in order to carry on this tradition.

#### Ellen and William E. Fisher Scholarship

Ellen and William E. Fisher have provided funding for an annual scholarship to be awarded to an undergraduate student at UW–Madison who is studying the Chinese language. According to the terms of the gift agreement, the award is based on merit, therefore there is no application, but faculty will make a determination based on students progressing in the program. Mr. Fisher stipulated that the award must be made in the Fall semester, so that the recipient can use it in the Spring semester.

#### Gwang-Tsai Chen Award

Professor Sabina Knight established this scholarship in honor of Gwang-Tsai (Arthur) Chen, Emeritus Professor of East Asian Languages and Literature at UW–Madison. The scholarship recognizes a rising undergraduate Chinese major. Student eligibility: must be a non-heritage language learner, freshman or sophomore standing, a GPA above 3.5.

#### Lawrence Louey Merit Scholarship

The Lawrence Louey Merit Scholarship is an annual competition recognizing an undergraduate Chinese major in the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures. Eligibility: You must be a graduating senior with a GPA above 3.75 and have taken at least three years of Chinese. An application is required for consideration, including a brief career plan, as well as a research paper from one of your major field courses.

## CAMPUS RESOURCES

### Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships

East Asian Studies FLAS Coordinator: Laurie Dennis, Assistant Director, [ldennis@wisc.edu](mailto:ldennis@wisc.edu) ([ldennis@international.wisc.edu](mailto:ldennis@international.wisc.edu)), 325 Ingraham Hall

FLAS fellowships are funded by the US Department of Education and administered by UW–Madison's National Resource Centers to assist students in acquiring foreign language and either area or international studies competencies. FLAS awards are only available for specific languages (<https://flas.wisc.edu/Languages.html>), and are contingent on federal funding. Please direct any questions to the FLAS Coordinator (<https://flas.wisc.edu/Languages.html>) of your chosen language.

Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents of the United States. Applications by students in professional fields are encouraged. Preference will be given to applicants with a high level of academic ability and with previous language training. Academic Year and Summer FLAS awards are **two separate competitions** requiring **two separate and complete applications**.

Scholarships@UW–Madison (<https://scholarships.wisc.edu/Scholarships/>)

This is the primary campus-wide portal for applicants, current students, and everyone looking for scholarship opportunities on campus.

Undergraduate Academic Awards Office (<https://awards.advising.wisc.edu/>)

We help UW–Madison undergraduates and recent graduates pursue nationally competitive scholarships (<https://awards.advising.wisc.edu/scholarships/nationally-competitive/>) and campus-wide awards (<https://awards.advising.wisc.edu/scholarships/campus-wide/>) for research, service, and leadership—activities at the heart of the Wisconsin Experience. We can help you:

- Find scholarship opportunities that match your goals and interests
- Navigate the scholarship application process
- Review scholarship essays
- Prepare for national scholarship interviews

Contact us (<https://awards.advising.wisc.edu/schedule-an-appointment/>) to schedule an appointment to discuss which opportunities are right for you.

## NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Boren Scholarships (<https://borenawards.org/>)

Campus Representative: Undergraduates with questions should contact Matt Geisler ([mdgeisler@studyabroad.wisc.edu](mailto:mdgeisler@studyabroad.wisc.edu)), Associate Director of International Academic Programs

These scholarships provide up to \$20,000 to US undergraduate students to study abroad in areas of the world that are critical to US interests and underrepresented in study abroad, including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded. (Full list of preferred countries (<https://borenawards.org/eligible-programs/#countries>)) Additionally, all programs must include formal study of an appropriate foreign language. (Full list of preferred languages (<https://borenawards.org/eligible-programs/#languages>)).

Critical Language Scholarship Program (<http://www.clscholarship.org/>)  
Campus Representative: Mark Lilleleht, Assistant Director for Awards at [awards@iris.wisc.edu](mailto:awards@iris.wisc.edu)

The CLS program is part of the US Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. It is a fully-funded overseas intensive language and cultural immersion program for American undergraduate and graduate students. With the goal of broadening the base of Americans studying and mastering critical languages and to build relationships between the people of the United States and other countries, CLS provides opportunities to a diverse range of students from across the United States at every level of language learning.

The fourteen CLS languages are: Arabic, Azerbaijani, Bangla, Chinese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu.

The CLS Program seeks participants with diverse interests, from a wide variety of fields of study, backgrounds and career paths, with the purpose of representing the full diversity of the United States. Thus, students from all academic disciplines, including business, engineering, law, medicine, science, social sciences, arts and humanities are encouraged to apply.

#### **Gilman Scholarship Program**

Campus Representative: Andy Quackenbush  
(quackenbush@studyabroad.wisc.edu), Advisor, International Academic Programs

The Gilman Scholarship Program is an undergraduate grant program for US citizens of limited financial means to enable them to study abroad, thereby internationalizing their outlook and better preparing them to assume significant roles in the increasingly global economy.