The 15th “Hanyu Qiao” Chinese Proficiency Competition for University Students

Saturday, 7th May 2016

Hosted by the Confucius Institute at The University of Western Australia

Background

The “Hanyu Qiao” (Chinese Bridge) Chinese Proficiency Competition is an annual world-wide Chinese speaking and performance competition. The competition is organised by the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban). The theme for this year’s competition is “Dreams Enlighten the Future”. The regional competition for ACT, NT, SA and WA in Australia will take place on 7th May at the Confucius Institute at the University of Western Australia.

The participants will have the opportunity to win great prizes for the competition including Chinese language scholarships, travel opportunities in China and the two top-prize winners will go to Changsha, China in July to take part in the Grand Hanyuqiao Finals which will be filmed by TV and broadcast in prime time to an audience of tens of millions.

Competition Format

The competition has three segments:

- a written test in Chinese on your general knowledge of China (25 minutes);
- an unscripted speech (“Dreams Enlighten the Future” (3 minutes) plus a short Q&A quiz; and
- a cultural performance relevant to Chinese culture e.g. singing in Chinese, Martial arts, Chinese folk dancing, Chinese poem recital, etc. (3-5 minutes).

Eligibility

To be eligible the candidate must meet the following requirements:

- Be a currently enrolled student of an Australian tertiary institution in ACT, NT, SA, or WA.
- Be under 30 years of age at time of application.
- Be an Australian citizen with non-Chinese background.
- Be a genuine speaker of Chinese (Mandarin) as a second language (if in doubt please contact the Confucius Institute (confucius.institute@uea.edu.au or 08 6488 6888)

Application Process

The Confucius Institute at the University of Western Australia is now inviting prospective participants from universities and colleges in ACT, NT, SA, and WA to apply.

To be considered for entry, please complete the recommendation form and send it to the Confucius Institute at UWA. We will confirm your eligibility to participate within one week of receiving your application form.