

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

2020 Chinese Bridge Chinese Proficiency Competition

Regional Final for Australian University Students from ACT, NT, SA and WA

Register by 3 July - Competition on Friday 17 July 2020

The Chinese Bridge (Hanyu Qiao) Chinese Proficiency Competition is an annual worldwide Chinese Mandarin speaking and performance competition.

This year, as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, the **2020 Chinese Bridge Regional Final for Australian University Students from ACT, NT, SA and WA will be conducted online**. Winners will have the opportunity to represent Australia in the first-ever Online Global Finals and compete to win a scholarship to study in China.

Online Test Components

- Written test in Chinese on general knowledge of China (20 minutes – 25% of mark);
The written test will be sent to contestants in the morning on 17 July. Contestants will be required to finish the test in 20 minutes and send it back immediately.
- Unscripted speech on the topic of “天下一家” (One world, one family) – (up to 3 minutes + answer two questions in Chinese - 50% of mark);
The speech and Q&A will take place using the Zoom online platform.
- Cultural performance relevant to Chinese culture (3-5 minutes – 25% of mark).
Contestants will be required to submit a video of their performance before 14 July. Details of how to submit will be forwarded to all candidates after registration.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the competition, you must meet the following requirements:

- Currently enrolled in an Australian tertiary institution in ACT, NT, SA, or WA;
- Between 18 - 30 years old;
- Not a Chinese citizen;
- Genuine speaker of Chinese (Mandarin) as a second language, i.e. not exposed to or interacting in the language outside of the language classroom and:
 - not a Chinese-heritage student;
 - not raised in a Chinese-speaking country;
 - not raised in a Chinese-speaking family.

If you believe you are eligible however a member of the immediate family is a Chinese speaker, please contact us to discuss the circumstances.

Nomination/Registration of Contestants

Endorsement of contestants from SA and NT will be delegated to the local Confucius Institute in that state/territory. Endorsement of ACT contestants will be through the student's Chinese language lecturer.

Prizes and Awards

All contestants will receive a participation certificate. Medals will be awarded to the winners of each category (speech, cultural performance, and written test). Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third placed contestants overall. The overall winner will move forward in the competition, which will culminate in the international final later this year (also online), where contestants have the opportunity to win a scholarship to study in China.

Program

14 July 2020

Submit the Cultural Performance video (process advised to registered contestants)

17 July 2020

- 10:00 am - 10:10 am Technical Check
- 10.10 am – 10.30am Written Test (20 minutes – via email and Zoom)
- 10.30 am – 10.45 am Break
- 10:45 am – 11:00 am Competition Begins: Welcome Speeches, Procedures (via Zoom)
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Speaking Competition – “天下一家” (One world, one family). (via Zoom)
- 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm Judges Deliberation / Contestant Break
- 12:30 am – 12:45 pm Results Announcements (via Zoom)
- 12:45 pm Event Ends

Note: During the online speech competition, contestants will be able to view each other and will be requested to show respect by not causing any distractions.

NB: To prepare for the written test, you can find practise questions on the Chinese Bridge website: http://bridge.chinese.cn/c18//216/216_6892_1.html

Any questions, please contact Yolanda Gauld at: 6488 6888 or confucius.institute@uwa.edu.au.

**Registration forms need to be received at confucius.institute@uwa.edu.au by
3 July 2020**

Good Luck!

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REGISTRATION FORM 报名表**Contestant Details 选手信息**

Given name: _____ Family name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Gender: _____

Postal address: _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number(home): _____ (Mobile) _____

Email: _____

Emergency contact person _____ Relationship to student _____

Emergency contact number (Home) _____ (Mobile) _____

University Name: _____ Years of Learning Chinese: _____

First Language _____ Second Language _____

Competition Requirements 参赛需求

Contestant's cultural performance: _____

NB: If you are selected, you will be expected to participate in the later rounds of the competition (dates TBC).

Confirmation of Eligibility 资格确认

Is this application recommended by the local Confucius Institute (SA and NT contestants) or the Chinese language lecturer (ACT contestants)?

Yes / No If 'Yes': Name of the CI representative or Chinese language lecturer:

Signature_____
Name

NB: Confucius Institute reserves the right to determine eligibility. Contestants deemed ineligible will be disqualified.



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Signed

**Contact email address
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Date

Thank you very much for your involvement in this project!