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COF Spring 2023 Comes to a Fruitful Finale

For long, the CIFLTE Online Foreign Language Learning Program (COF) has persisted as one of our most sought-after program offerings. This past spring, the COF ran from January 22 to April 22, and offered personalized/small-group instruction in the following languages: Mandarin Chinese, Spanish, Italian, German, and English.

To ensure that everyone enrolled in the COF have their language learning needs met, we conducted a feedback survey halfway through the spring module. Let's read the encouraging comments from some of our COF students:

Valerie on Mandarin Chinese:

"My Mandarin Chinese teacher is so wonderful! She puts huge efforts into making her classes interesting and accessible!"

Teresa on Spanish:

"My Spanish teacher is great! I'm really embracing the sessions and find them to be truly helpful!"

Nick on German:

"My German teacher is fantastic and I feel that I'm learning a lot from him! I'm so grateful this opportunity is available to me!"

Kudos to each and every one of our COF instructors!

Summertime, Foreign Language Learning Time at CIFLTE!

Looking to expand your language skills this summer? Look no further than our COF Summer 2023 module! We offer foreign language instruction primarily **online**, allowing you to learn from the comfort of your own home.

The main language being offered is **Chinese**. Our Chinese instructors are all professionally trained in cutting-edge language teaching methodology, thanks to our Center's flagship Certificate Program in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (TCSOL) at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Other languages being offered for the Summer 2023 module include: English, Spanish, Japanese, Italian, German, and French.

For more information, check out the flyer on the right.

Ready to enroll?

Visit: https://forms.gle/W9W4wn2FmD1oBncp7

<u>CIFLTE Online Foreign</u> <u>Language Learning Program</u>

Enrollment is Open for Summer Module!

What we offer:

- Language courses: Mandarin, English, Spanish,
 French, Portuguese, Italian, German, Japanese, etc.
- · One-on-one or small group language lessons
- Level-appropriate instruction beginning to advanced

Tuition:

\$1000 for 25 hours \$500 for 10 hours Scan the QR code or click <u>here</u> to enroll.

Summer Module May 21 - Aug. 19, 2023



Email: ciffte@tc.columbia.edu | Wechat: TCSOL_Columbia For more information, visit our website at https://tinyurl.com/cof-spring2023

Encore: Special Issue on our TCSOL Certificate Program

Are you currently putting together your application for the academic year 2023-24 module?

Are you thinking about applying and would like some more in-depth information about the program?

Or are you just curious about what makes our TCSOL Certificate Program cutting-edge and what it has to offer?

IF any of the above applies, then check out our 03/04-2023 issue either by clicking on the screenshot on the right or the URL below:

tinyurl.com/special-issue-tcsol

Want to have your questions answered live? Join us for an info session on May 26, 2023 from 7:30 - 8:30 pm

To register, visit:

tinyurl.com/info-526

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A Closeup at the TCSOL Certificate Program

The application deadline for the AcademicYear (AY) 2023-24 TCSOL Certificate Program has been extended! Want to find out everything that this Program has to offer? Then read on. You might also want to sign up for one of the upcoming info sessions towards the end of this newsletter.

- Program Overview
- Course Components
- WhyThis Program?
- What Sets Our Program Apart?
- · Testimonials from the Current Cohort
- Register for an Upcoming Info Session



Prof. ZhaoHong Han Publishes Study on Challenge of English Medium Instruction (EMI)

In EMI, one of the biggest challenges is reportedly the teachers' own lack of English language proficiency.

However, a recent study conducted by Prof. ZhaoHong Han, Director of CIFLTE at Teachers College, Columbia University, showed that with proper training, teachers can improve their proficiency while learning about pedagogy, achieving reasonable success in EMI.

Check out this reseach study by clicking on the image on the right or the URL below:

tinyurl.com/Han-EMI





Dr. Zhongqi Shi to Serve as President of the Chinese Language Teachers Association (CLTA)

Congratulations to Dr. Zhongqi Shi, one of the faculty members for the Center's TCSOL Certificate Program, on being elected as Vice Preseident of CLTA for the year 2023-24! We are thrilled that Dr. Shi will become President of CLTA following this one-year service.

Established in 1962, CLTA is an influential professional organization dedicated exclusively to the study of Chinese language, culture, and pedagogy in the United States. CLTA has about 1,000 members, and represents Chinese language teachers in all educational settings.

So well-deserved!

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