REED COLLEGE

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REED COLLEGE LANGUAGE SCHOLAR PROGRAM · 2027-2028 ACADEMIC YEAR

Chinese Language Scholar Position

The Language Scholar Program is meant to provide students at Reed College with quality language and cultural learning experiences through meaningful and engaging interactions with native speakers of Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Russian, and Spanish. The program allows language scholars to develop professional skills and gain first-hand knowledge of the U.S. higher education system.

Language Scholars are limited-duration positions; i.e., they are teaching assistants, not teaching faculty or research scholars. Thus, most of Language Scholars' duties take place outside the classroom and are designed to supplement and enrich Reed's regular academic programming. Language Scholars report to the Associate Dean of Global Education and Director of the International Programs Office and, under the corresponding Department Chairs' guidance, collaborate with language and literature faculty in structuring and implementing programming that supports engagement with languages and cultures at the College.

Responsibilities

Language Scholars' responsibilities include the following, not to exceed 15 hours per week for areas (1) and (2) combined:

1. As a Teaching Assistant

- Support language learning in various classes.
- Assist faculty in grading language assignments and students with readings and discussions of designated texts.
- Provide tutoring on language skills and conduct weekly conversation classes.
- Organize and participate in extracurricular activities with students.

2. As an International Programs Office (IPO) / Language House team member

- Collaborate with the IPO and the Literature and Language Departments in study abroad information meetings and activities with students.
- Support Reed students who are planning to study abroad in language-immersion programs.
- Organize cultural events in the Language House (weekly or biweekly), in collaboration with the House Advisor (HA), and on campus (once per semester). Examples include film screenings, guest presentations, trivia nights, cooking typical dishes, etc.
- Partner with the House Advisor to create a lively educational environment that supports the study of the language and culture in the House.
- Additional duties as required.
- Prohibited from fraternization with students as outlined in the Discriminatory Harassment and Sexual Misconduct Policy (DHSM).

3. As a Student

- Enroll in one course of your choice each semester. The college will waive tuition and fees.
- Reed students are required to follow all conduct and enrollment rules as outlined.

In the Language House, you will be supported by the Residence Life team, the Director for Residence Life, an Area Coordinator, and a House Advisor. The House Advisor is an upper-level student who will help you establish and maintain an educational environment in the House and assist with cultural event planning.

Language scholars also have significant responsibilities as educators. As such, they will be required to adhere to all Reed Community Policies and Practices. The Language Scholar position is a limited-duration position. All positions are for one academic year. Occasionally, and upon the College's review, positions may be renewed for another year.

2027-2028 Funding

Stipend: The College will pay you a total of $9,724 for this position, to be paid in biweekly installments for the academic year (mid-August until mid-May).

Housing: You will be assigned a private room in a Language House (dorm) on campus.

Board: You will receive meals board plan B for all your meals on campus.

Insurance: You will receive a health insurance policy so that you will have access to on-campus and off-campus medical care.

Computer: You will also be assigned a laptop and printer to use.

Visa: The College will cover the cost of your Exchange Visitor (J-1 visa) fee.

Travel: The College will pay the cost of round-trip travel to and from the United States.

Applications

Language Scholars must be native speakers of one of any of the six languages taught at Reed College: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Russian, or Spanish. Candidates must hold a bachelor's degree (or equivalent), preferably in languages, linguistics, humanities, or social sciences by the time the position starts.

Applications must be sent to Dr. Alberto del Río Malo, Associate Dean of Global Education and Director of International Programs, at adelrio@reed.edu, **before January 31, 2027**, and must include the following:

- Curriculum Vitae.
- Letter of interest in English.
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member.
- Most recent academic transcripts.

Finalists for the position will be contacted for a virtual video interview.

