

SUMMER LANGUAGE INSTITUTE
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Dear Summer Language Institute Participants:

On behalf of the entire SLI faculty and staff, I congratulate you on your admission to the 2008 Summer Language Institute.

The intensive format of the SLI programs requires participants to fully devote themselves to language study and practice. Learning occurs in the morning, afternoon and evening, inside and outside of the classroom, and in accordance with the vision of Thomas Jefferson. Our goal is for participants to live in the target language as much as possible. In the first few weeks of your program, such a goal may seem daunting; however, since 1981, hundreds of individuals from diverse academic and professional backgrounds have met this goal and have been able to develop intermediate communication skills (the equivalent of two years of study) in a new language in just nine weeks.

The intensive nature of the SLI also builds rapport between participants and the SLI faculty. Please do not hesitate to confer with any of us when you have questions—before, during, or after your program.

Below are several reminders. Please read this information carefully. This email outlines what you need to do before classes begin. This letter should also answer questions that you may have about the Summer Language Institute.

Confirmation of Attendance

Please email your acceptance of admission by providing your name and program to uvasli@virginia.edu.

Registration and Costs

A summary of tuition and fees for programs is provided below:

In-State Tuition

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| Tuition (12 credits): | \$2,616 undergraduate | \$3,120 graduate |
| (8 credits for Chinese): | \$1,744 undergraduate | \$2,080 graduate |
| Comprehensive fee: | \$247 | |

Out-of-State Tuition

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| Tuition (12 credits): | \$9,600 undergraduate | \$7,920 graduate |
| (8 credits for Chinese): | \$6,400 undergraduate | \$5,280 graduate |
| Comprehensive fee: | \$259 | |

Non-Credit Option

Non-Credit Fee: \$2,616
Comprehensive fee: \$247 In-State \$259 Out-of-State

Registration---Began on April 28 for students taking the SLI for credit and will begin on May 19 for those taking the non-credit option. In both cases, registration must be completed by the first day of SLI classes, Tuesday, June 10.

You may register on-line and pay by MasterCard, Discover, or AMEX at www.virginia.edu/isis or you can register in-person in Garrett Hall B019 and pay by check. **For information on registration and important academic procedures and deadlines, visit the Summer Session web site at www.virginia.edu/summer.** PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT ONCE YOU ARE ADMITTED, YOU ARE GUARANTEED A SEAT IN THE INSTITUTE.

Students participating in the full Institute (for languages other than Chinese and Tibetan) will register for FOUR three credit courses (total of 12 credit hours). For example, those participating in French (for credit) will register for SECTION ONE of FREN 101S, 102S, 201S, and 202S. The "S" simply denotes a Summer Language Institute course. Those registering for non-credit will register for SECTION TWO (zero credit hours).

There are two exceptions to this: Students participating in Tibetan will register for two six credit courses, RELS 500S and 501S. Again, section one is for credit, and section two is for non-credit. Students participating in Chinese will register for two four credit courses, CHIN 101S and 102S. There is no non-credit option for Chinese.

ALL COURSES AND SCHEDULE NUMBERS FOR THE 2008 SUMMER TERM CAN BE FOUND AT www.virginia.edu/cod. "Summer 2008" must be chosen as the term for accurate course information at the top right side of the web page.

Calendar

The SLI 2008 calendar is now available online. Please visit www.virginia.edu/summer/SLI/ to view the document.

Housing Dates and Procedures

Please note that the deadline for filing applications to live in summer housing is 5pm on May 10. **All applications received after this date will be subject to a \$40 late fee. Students are not guaranteed a room after this date.** If you would like to live in the summer dorm and have not yet filed an application, please contact UVa Conference Services at 434-924-4479.

Move-in will take place between 2 and 10PM on Sunday, June 8, 2008 at the Conference Services office. The office is located in Kent House on Bonnycastle Drive. If you are moving in late, please contact UVa Conference Services.

Meals

There is no official meal plan, nor is there a group meal requirement for the Summer Language Institute. **The dormitories have LIMITED kitchen facilities.** Residents are encouraged to bring their own utensils, dishes and cookware.

There are several convenience stores nearby, and supermarkets can be reached via the city buses.

The Pavilion XI food court in Newcomb Hall is open weekdays during the summer. Charlottesville also has numerous restaurants, a number of which are located on "The Corner," which is adjacent to Central Grounds.

Any SLI student may purchase meal plans through UVa Dining. Please visit the Dining Services website at www.virginia.edu/dining for more information on summer options, or call 434-982-5110.

Parking

Students who plan to drive to the University can purchase a parking permit from Parking and Transportation, located at 1101 Milmont Street, behind Barracks Road Shopping Center. You have the option of purchasing a parking permit at U-Hall for \$16/month or a permit for occasional use of Ivy Garage on Emmet for \$39 (20 uses). Please visit www.virginia.edu/Map for maps of the UVa grounds. More information on parking and rates can be obtained by calling Parking and Transportation at 434-924-7231 or by visiting www.virginia.edu/parking.

Health Care/Insurance

The Student Health Center will be available to all students. All students MUST have health insurance. If you require insurance, please contact the Chickering Group at www.chickering.com, or by telephone at 800-466-3027. In case of an emergency, all participants will be treated at the emergency room of the University of Virginia Health System Center, which is located near Central Grounds.

Books and Materials

Textbooks and materials for all SLI programs can be purchased in The University Bookstore, which is located behind Newcomb Hall, above the parking garage on Emmet Street (www.virginia.edu/Map). You are asked to purchase your books before classes begin on Tuesday, June 10. A list of books will be provided at the SLI orientation meetings on Monday, June 9.

Welcome Reception and Program Meetings

There will be a reception to welcome all Summer Language Institute participants from 3:00PM – 3:45PM in the garden behind Pavilion VIII on The Lawn on Monday, June 9. In the event of rain, the reception will be held in the entrance of Minor Hall (www.virginia.edu/Map). You will meet the entire SLI faculty and staff at this reception.

Directly following the reception (4:00PM - 5:00PM), a mandatory orientation meeting will take place with the faculty of each language program. The locations for these meetings are as follows: Chinese (Cabell 337) French (Cabell 325), German (Bryan 312), Italian (Bryan 334), Latin (Cabell 215), Russian (Cabell 222), Spanish (Wilson 216), and Tibetan (Cabell 430). You will receive your syllabus, course schedule, and other information at this mandatory orientation meeting.

Orientation for High School Students

High school students admitted to the SLI are required to participate in a general orientation for high school students enrolling in Summer Session. The orientation will be held in the Garrett Hall Conference Room on Monday, June 9, from 9:00 -- 10:30 am. University policies and services

will be discussed there. Registration will take place immediately following the orientation session, if you have not already done so online. Please review information on University policies and services before the meeting. You can access this information at www.virginia.edu/summer.

Graduation

Graduation will take place on Thursday, August 7 at 1:30PM in the Wilson Hall Auditorium (www.virginia.edu/Map). A reception will follow the ceremony in the foyer outside the auditorium.

Move-Out Day

Move-out day for the university dorms is Friday, August 8. As the Housing Reservation form indicates, all residents must move out by 11:00AM.

Finally, Charlottesville is quite hot in the summer. The atmosphere in the Institute is casual, so we urge you to bring light clothing. A bicycle can be of great use.

The University of Virginia's Grounds and "academical village," designed by Thomas Jefferson, are unparalleled. Charlottesville is a diverse, exciting community with many cultural activities and historic landmarks. The surrounding countryside includes some of the most beautiful landscapes in the nation. The city and the University provide a great environment for a summer of intensive study. Please let me know if you have any questions.

I look forward to meeting you this summer.

Sincerely,

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