



## **MA in Chinese with TEACHING CREDENTIAL Pathway San Francisco State University**

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Classical Chinese literature and culture, with research specializations in Classical Chinese poetry, medieval China studies, Buddhism, garden studies, and orality-literacy studies

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Second language acquisition; heritage language education; language teacher education; language learning and technology



## Chinese Program at SFSU

- In order to meet the growing demand for Chinese-English bilingual education in California and across the United States, the Chinese Program at San Francisco State University (SFSU) has partnered with the Graduate College of Education to create a pathway for students to obtain a Masters Degree in Chinese followed by a California Teaching Credential.
- The Chinese Program at SFSU, founded in 1956, is among the oldest Chinese language programs in the United States and consistently ranks among the top public universities Chinese language programs in the country. The Program offers bachelor's and master's degrees in Chinese. It also hosts several federal-funded programs, including the Chinese Flagship Program and the Strategic Language Initiative Translation-Interpretation Certificate Program.
- The University is located in the city of San Francisco, close to U.C. Berkeley, Stanford University, and Silicon Valley. Graduates of the Chinese Program have found employment in K-16 schools, government institutions, educational technology enterprises, news media, and the publishing industry. Many have entered doctoral programs across the country.

## Three Pathway Options (see Appendix A)

- MA in Chinese (30 units, 2-5 semesters, depending on the number of transferring units and whether full-time or part time), **OR**
- MA in Chinese (2 semesters) + Multiple-subject credential with bilingual authorization (2 or 3 semesters), **OR**
- MA in Chinese (2 semesters) + Single-subject credential (World Language) (2 semesters)

## English requirements

- GRE is not required.
- TOEFL: 550 (80), or
- IELTS: overall band score 6.5, or
- PTE: academic overall score 59, or
- Duolingo: 120
- TOEFL is waived for applicants with a bachelor's or master's degree from a U.S. institution.

## Tuition / expenses (see Appendix B)

- In state: ~\$8000/year
- Out of state or international students: ~\$13,000/year
- Estimated annual living expenses: ~\$20,000/year
- A few scholarships are available from the university and the Chinese program.

## Professional experience and career outlook

- Opportunity to serve as teaching assistant in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures and tutors for the Chinese Flagship Program.
- MA graduates can apply for Ph.D./Ed.D. programs across the country, or seek teaching opportunities in colleges or private K-12 schools.
- A teaching credential allows graduates to teach in public K-12 schools.



## Pathway articulation

- Upon approval of the Chinese Program and Graduate Studies, candidates for the M.A. in Chinese can transfer up to 9 units from eligible graduate courses taken at other universities.
- At least 6 units are recognized by both M.A. and credential programs.
- Students who take the credential pathway need to pass the C-BEST and C-SET exams during the first semester of the M.A. in Chinese phase.
- The Chinese program will assist students in obtaining a social security number and 45 hours of early field experience, both of which are required to enter the credential program.

## Rolling admission

- Fall semester: rolling admission through August 15
- Spring semester: rolling admission through January 1
- International students should consider the time needed to obtain a visa, and apply early.

## Application information and links:

- MA in Chinese Q & A: <https://mll.sfsu.edu/chinese-program-faqs>
- APPLY via California State University: <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/graduate>



### Relevant links

- California State University: <https://www.calstate.edu/>
- San Francisco State University: <https://www.sfsu.edu/>
- Office of International Program at SFSU: <https://oip.sfsu.edu/>
- Department of Modern Languages & Literatures: <https://mll.sfsu.edu/>
- Chinese Flagship Program at SFSU: <https://flagship.sfsu.edu/>
- Chinese Program at SFSU: <https://mll.sfsu.edu/chinese-program>

## Appendix A: Pathway roadmaps

### Program articulation

- MA in Chinese (2 semesters) only;
- MA in Chinese (2 semesters) + multiple-subject credential with bilingual authorization (2 or 3 semesters);
- MA in Chinese (2 semesters) + single-subject credential - world language (2 semesters).

### Applicants from partner universities

Upon approval of the Chinese Program and Graduate Studies, MA in Chinese students can transfer up to 9 units from taking eligible graduate courses in other universities.

*Note: International students remain F1 status as MA in Chinese till the end of each pathway.*

| MA in Chinese only  |  |  |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| MA in Chinese phase   |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1st semester  | 2nd semester   | Summer   |   |  |  |  |
| MA in Chinese courses   | MA in Chinese courses  |  | Students graduate with MA in Chinese and apply for OPT              |  |  |  |
|   | Complete cumulating experience of MA in Chinese requirement. |  |   |  |  |  |
| MA in Chinese + multiple-subject credential with bilingual authorization                                  |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| MA in Chinese phase   |  |  | Multiple-subject Credential phase                                   |  |  |  |
| 1st semester  | 2nd semester   | Summer   | 3rd semester  | 4th semester                                     | Optional 5th semester  |  |
| MA in Chinese courses   | MA in Chinese courses  | Start MSC courses during the summer.                           | MSC courses   | MSC courses                                      | If students choose NOT to take MSC courses in the summer before the 3rd semester                       |  |
| Attend information meeting for credential programs  | Apply for multiple-subject credential (MSC) program          | Otherwise, MSC with bilingual authorization takes 3 semesters. | Bilingual authorization courses                                     |  |  |  |
| Chinese program assists students to obtain:<br>· social security number<br>· early field experience       |  |  | Chinese program will assist placing candidates in student teaching. | Complete cumulating experience of MA in Chinese. | Students graduate with MA in Chinese plus multiple-subject credential and apply for OPT                |  |
| Students need to pass:<br>· Certificate of Clearance<br>· Negative TB test<br>· CSET (1, 2, 3)<br>· CBEST |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| MA in Chinese + single-subject credential (world language)  |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| MA in Chinese phase   |  |  | Single-subject Credential phase                                     |  |  |  |
| 1st semester  | 2nd semester   | Summer   | 3rd semester  | 4th semester                                     |  |  |
| MA in Chinese courses   | MA in Chinese courses  |  | SSC courses (including MLL 750)                                     | SSC courses (including MLL 751)                  | Students graduate with MA in Chinese plus single-subject credential (world language) and apply for OPT |  |
| Attend information meeting for credential programs  | Apply for single-subject credential (SSC) program            |  |   |  |  |  |
| Chinese program assists students to obtain:<br>· social security number<br>· early field experience       |  |  | Chinese program will assist placing candidates in student teaching. | Complete cumulating experience of MA in Chinese. |  |  |
| Students need to pass:<br>· Certificate of Clearance<br>· Negative TB test<br>· CSET (1, 2, 3)<br>· CBEST |  |  |   |  |  |  |

## Appendix B: Tuition

### Tuition and Fees

San Francisco State provides a high-quality graduate education that is truly affordable in comparison to that of other Bay Area universities and national public universities. Below are the current tuition fees for post-baccalaureate students:

#### Semester Tuition Fees\*

| Credential        |                   | Master's Degree, Second Baccalaureate |                   | Doctorate            |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Part-time         | Full-time         | Part-time                             | Full-time         | Part- and Full-time  |
| 6.0 or less units | 6.1 or more units | 6.0 or less units                     | 6.1 or more units | 1 or more units - PT |
| Tuition: \$2,566  | Tuition: \$3,964  | Tuition: \$2,716                      | Tuition: \$4,222  | Tuition: \$6,553     |

\*Plus any applicable program and non-resident tuition fees:

- **Non-Resident Tuition Fee:** Non-residents of California and international students pay an additional **\$396 per unit**.