



Chinese and Japanese Scholarship Announcement

Chinese and Japanese Studies Scholarship at Valparaiso University

Valparaiso University (Valpo) welcomes high school seniors to apply for the *Chinese and Japanese Studies (CJS) scholarship*. Each year, five to eight such scholarships are offered to incoming students (including transfer students). This scholarship carries a maximum amount of \$5,000 per year. The scholarship is renewable up to four years (or five years for student enrolled in the VIEP-China program).

Valpo is a leader in East Asian studies among schools of its size. Located southeast of Chicago, Valpo is known for its strong academic programs on campus including first, second, and third language courses in both Chinese and Japanese and active overseas studies program in China and Japan. In 2002, Valpo established the Valparaiso University China Center to launch a series of initiatives including the popular summer courses in China program, internship program in China, and the annual spring research seminar with field trips to China/Japan during the spring break. Students who receive the Chinese and Japanese Studies Scholarship will also be eligible for participating in these programs.

Qualifications:

Any Valpo-bound freshman or transfer student can apply for the Chinese and Japanese Studies scholarship. To receive the scholarship, however, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- a) The applicant applies to Valparaiso University by **January 15, 2010** and is admitted.
- b) The applicant selects Chinese and Japanese Studies (CJS) as his/her major. If the applicant has already chosen a Valpo major other than CJS, he/she must select CJS as a second (complementary) major. In order to renew the scholarship, the recipient must continue to major in CJS throughout his/her study at Valpo.
- c) The applicant submits an application form including a Statement of Purpose explaining his/her motivation and goals for committing to the field of Chinese and Japanese Studies.
- d) The applicant is endorsed by at least one high school teacher/counselor who is in a position to comment on the applicant's strengths especially in language learning.
- e) The applicant maintains a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 at Valpo and a minimum GPA of 3.25 in courses related to Chinese and Japanese Studies.
- f) The application for the Chinese and Japanese Studies scholarship is submitted by **February 15, 2010**.



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Requirements for Chinese and Japanese major:

- 1) For first majors: A minimum of 53 credits (some of which can be used to fulfill Valpo's general education requirements), which includes at least two years of language classes in either Chinese or Japanese and other required and elective East Asian related courses in various disciplines.
- 2) For second (complementary) majors: A minimum of 35 credits, which include at least two years of language classes and other required and elective East Asian related courses in various disciplines.

For more information regarding the scholarship and/or the Chinese and Japanese Studies program at Valpo, please log onto www.valpo.edu/chineseandjapanesestudies or contact:

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**Application Form for Valparaiso University
Chinese and Japanese Studies Scholarship**

(Please complete, sign, and return to the Office of Admissions, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN 46383 by February 15, 2010.)

Name:	Date of Submission:	
Home Address:	Home Phone Number:	
Email:	High School GPA	Rank in School
Date of Birth:	Name of Teacher on the Recommendation Form:	
High School:		
Planned Major(s) at Valpo:		
What language will you plan to study if awarded the scholarship (Chinese or Japanese)?		
Please list any courses or experiences which relate to Chinese and Japanese Studies:		

Please submit a Statement of Purpose (1-2 pages double spaced) which addresses: what has motivated you to enter the field of Chinese and Japanese Studies, and what do you hope it will do for your career?



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Form of Recommendation

Dear Teacher/Counselor:

We value your comments highly and ask that you complete this form to help us in determining why your student is qualified for Valparaiso University's Chinese and Japanese Studies scholarship. Please return this form to the following addresses no later than **February 15, 2010**. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Office of Admission
Valparaiso University
Valparaiso, IN 46383
Tel: (219) 464-5011
Fax: (219) 464-6983

Your Name	Name of the Student You Recommend
Position	Name of School and Address
Contact Information: Phone Number: Email Address:	
How long have you known this student and in what capacity?	
Evaluation/Recommendation	
Signature	Date



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