

#### Benefits of Associating with the Confucius Institute at Makerere University

- Gaining opportunities for employment in environments that call for the knowledge of Chinese language and culture such as Chinese firms in Uganda and beyond.
- Getting access to the HSK and HSKK, YCT and BCT examinations increasing chances of gaining admission for further studies in China.
- Increasing opportunities for travel and doing businesses in China and Chinese speaking communities. Winning scholarships through the Confucius Institute and Chinese Embassy in Uganda to study at our partner universities and other universities in China.
- Participating in Chinese Bridge competitions after which the winners are awarded and have the
  opportunity of representing the schools/institutions in China and winning of scholarships to study
  in China.
- Enjoying and experiencing the different Chinese cultural activities and festivals.

For more information about studying Chinese as part of Makerere University courses or as a short course, please call 0705372826 / 0785356951 or 0772708639. Email: ci@mak.ac.ug | Website: www.ci.mak.ac.ug









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### **Confucius Institute at Makerere University**

The one stop centre for Chinese language and culture in Uganda

The Confucius Institute at Makerere University is charged with the responsibility of teaching the Chinese language and culture to the people in Uganda. Our services include administering the HSK examinations, teaching Chinese language as a short course to students and members of the general public on one hand and supporting Makerere University on the other in teaching Chinese as a degree programme and a subject.

#### Short courses

The short courses have six levels with each lasting for two to six months. Students do examinations at the end of each level before they proceed to the next. By the end of the six levels, the learners are expected to have attained some comfortable degree of confidence in using the Chinese language through listening, speaking, reading and writing.

#### Requirements for the short courses.

The only requirement for one to join the short courses is paying the required fees. No prior education is required. The classes take place either in the morning, afternoon and evening and they last for two hours a day, three days a week.

# International examinations

The Confucius Institute is an approved centre for the Chinese International proficiency examinations (HSK). Interested candidates can do the HSK examinations for purposes of ascertaining their proficiency internationally and for purposes of applying for scholarships in Chinese institutions that may require such results.

Makerere University Academic Programmes supported by the Confucius Institute.

#### a) Bachelor of Chinese and Asian Studies

The Bachelor of Chinese and Asian Studies aims to provide learners with certified proficiency in Chinese and competence in understanding its linguistic, cultural and literacy aspects. "In addition to language and intercultural competence, the programme exposes learners to the intricacies of the fastest growing region in the world, and their application to the Ugandan context." The programme aims at enhancing international cooperation and trade, provide students with a certified proficiency in Chinese and competence in understanding its linguistic, cultural and literary components, and develops the learners' business, cultural and social skills which contributes to changing the student outlook towards national, regional and global issues.

The Bachelor of Chinese and Asian Studies degree programme lasts for three years. While applying, its codes are; CAS (day programme) and BCC (evening programme).

## b) BA (Arts) and BA (Social Sciences)

The Chinese language subject is also taught as part of the BA (Arts) and BA (Social Sciences) degrees of Makerere University. Under this arrangement, a student chooses to study Chinese (CHB) as one of the three subjects under the above programmes.

Students who apply for Bachelor of Social Sciences on the day programme are also advised to include the subject combination 043 (CHB, POS, SOC) that has the Chinese subject (CHB) while selecting the subjects to study.

Students who apply for Bachelor of Arts in Arts on day programme and are interested in the Chinese subject should also include Arts combinations that have the Chinese subject. These are 143 (CHB, DRA, DNC) and 144 (CHB, OGS, PHI)