Jump into learning Arabic, Chinese, or Russian

CLS Spark is a funded pilot virtual initiative for U.S. undergraduate students to learn languages essential to America’s engagement with the world.

CLS Spark provides American students the access and opportunity to start their language learning journeys when these critical languages are not offered on their campuses or when they have responsibilities that limit their ability to go overseas.

Participants spend an academic year learning either Arabic, Chinese or Russian through online classes and activities facilitated by native speakers at a host institution abroad.

With inclusive support provided by program staff, students will improve their command of all four modalities in these languages (listening, speaking, reading, writing), participate in cultural activities once a month, and make connections with members of the host country’s community and their peers across the U.S.

Key benefits:

- **Full scholarship** covers all instruction and a $300 stipend
- **Online language instruction and cultural enrichment experiences**
- **Automatic consideration as a semifinalist** for the summer 2023 CLS Program to continue language study abroad

Who can apply?:

- **U.S. citizen or national** students enrolled in undergraduate programs at U.S. colleges
- **18 years old** by September 2022
- **Chinese**: applicants must complete one year of study in Mandarin Chinese, or its equivalent, by the start of the program
- **Arabic and Russian**: there is no prerequisite, and applicants may apply with no prior knowledge of Arabic or Russian

Applications are due May 26, 2022 • [https://clscholarship.org/spark](https://clscholarship.org/spark)