Greetings, Teachers of Chinese throughout the state of Indiana!

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As we get our Hangzhou program off of the ground, we are so pleased to be partnering with you to increase Indiana students’ language proficiency and to help them to become global citizens!

I am writing with a rare opportunity for your students: Our summer 2015 Hangzhou program still has space for between 5 and 9 participants. Program dates this summer are June 9-July 15, 2015. Though we normally close registration in the fall, we have extended the deadline for students of Chinese only.

As an additional bonus, we are offering every student who participates in our Hangzhou 2015 program a $2500 scholarship to be used toward program fees. If you have students who expressed an interest in applying earlier but were concerned about the cost, this is a perfect time for them to participate in our program! (The cost of our Hangzhou 2015 program is $3650 plus airfare, so you can see that this scholarship award will go a long way to help families meet these fees.)

Our 5-week summer program in Hangzhou promises students a unique opportunity to experience Chinese culture and language under the guidance of highly qualified instructors, who work to further develop students’ linguistic and cultural knowledge. Students live with dedicated host families and see important historical sites in Hangzhou, Shanghai, Suzhou, and Beijing. To learn more, please visit this link and share it with any interested students: http://www.iu.edu/~iuhpfl/about-program/program-sites/china.shtml.

Additionally, due to the complex nature of the Chinese language, our language requirements for Chinese students are not as stringent as for our other languages. The program requires a modified Language Commitment where students are permitted to speak two hours of English a day with their host families in order to facilitate communication and linguistic growth. We encourage all students of Chinese level III and above to consider applying for this terrific opportunity!

We ask that students contact us with their intention to apply by Wednesday, February 25th, at iuhpfl@iu.edu. We would be grateful if you would share this email with your students right away.

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