

Executive Education at LSE



**EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME FOR GLOBAL THINKERS** 



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"CIBL HAS OVER A DECADE OF
EXPERIENCE PREPARING BUSINESS
PEOPLE TO WORK SUCCESSFULLY
WITH CHINESE COUNTERPARTS.
THIS INVOLVES BOTH LINGUISTIC
PROFICIENCY AND CULTURE AWARENESS,
AND THIS IS WHAT THIS PROGRAMME
BRINGS TOGETHER."

**CIBL UK Director** 

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Chinese Language and Culture for Business London course is an executive programme for leaders and managers with a global vision to communicate effectively with China in the business context.

Whether you are a beginner or an advanced learner, you will be able to increase your linguistic skills in business Chinese by the end of the programme. Moreover, you will gain deeper cultural understanding of how to interact and do business with Chinese people.

The programme also offers unique opportunities for you to attend a range of China Business Briefings and sociocultural networking events, plus an optional study trip to one of the most prestigious universities in China.

There are two intakes per year for this programme – Spring and Autumn intake. The number of places offered is capped and we encourage you to apply as soon as you can.

# PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

40

Weekly Chinese classes, two hours per week



4

China Business Briefings with receptions



10

Saturday sessions



3

**Cultural** events



3

Paper-based HSK examinations



1

Optional study trip in China



Learning support through online platforms



catch-up classes in case you miss a class





Final award ceremony upon completion of the programme to celebrate your success



### **KEY FEATURE 1**

#### **MANDARIN CLASSES**

Delivered by our experienced Mandarin teachers, you will have a combination of face-to-face, online and mobile learning methods to ensure you achieve the best learning outcomes. Our teaching approach is communicative, engaging, with a focus on business contexts. We understand that revision sessions and catch-up lessons are key for busy people. Therefore, we have designed the programme with such features to meet your needs.

Our programme is learner-centred with ongoing teaching support for students. You will have three opportunities to take the paper-based HSK examination, an internationally recognised Chinese language proficiency test, at your chosen level.

In the monthly Saturday session, part of the day is dedicated to help you prepare for your examination and achieve your desired result. You will also have various opportunities to practise your Chinese with native speakers at our institute.

This course is rigorous and open to ambitious learners who want to progress significantly in their language learning. We offer six language levels, from complete beginner to proficiency. If you are not a complete beginner, please make sure you let us know at the time of your application. A language assessment will be arranged for you to ensure we place you in the appropriate class.

"I have found CIBL and their teachers to be extremely professional and very dedicated. We had a variety of students in the class with diverse goals, but we all felt that the class was an excellent way to improve our Mandarin reading and practise our speaking and presentation skills. I look forward to continuing my journey with CIBL."

## **KEY FEATURE 2**

# INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION AND BUSINESS MASTERCLASS

The intercultural communication session runs once a month, and addresses core values of Chinese culture and its communication styles. It develops Chinese cultural intelligence for global leaders or anyone interested in doing business with Chinese nationals or in China.

In the intercultural communication class, we will explore important concepts such as "mianzi", "guanxi", "hanxu" and other linguistic features of the Chinese language. We will also examine different case studies on miscommunication and cultural breakdowns in business contexts. These sessions will enhance your cultural awareness of China and enable you to apply such awareness in a range of business activities such as negotiation, leading an international team and managing cultural differences.

In the business masterclass, guest speakers with extensive knowledge and experience in doing business with China are invited to share their understanding with you. There will be plenty of opportunities for students to interact with the speakers and ask any questions related to partnerships with China.



## **KEY FEATURE 3**

#### **EVENTS AND NETWORKING**

From China Business Briefings to traditional festival celebrations, lectures and events are designed to optimise your learning experience and provide you with networking opportunities.

LSE enjoys an enviable location in London, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world. Being in the heart of the capital is fundamental to CIBL's identity as a Chinese language and culture institute, with a mission to serve London business communities.

"Our executive programme provides a great platform to empower young professionals in London, allowing them to add a thorough working knowledge of China to their career. The social networking events and the China Business Briefings do not only bolster and accelerate Chinese language learning for students, but also prepare them for cultural and social aspects of living and doing business in China"



# A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

#### **OPTIONAL STUDY TRIP IN CHINA**

This optional study trip in China is a unique additional offer to all registered students on this executive programme. It allows you to build on your foundation and rapidly improve your language skills in China.

In this trip, you will spend two weeks taking part in a series of tailor-made intensive Chinese language programmes, including daily language class, field trips, cultural talks and networking events with Chinese counterparts. CIBL offers generous scholarship funding to students of this programme. If your application is successful, the scholarship would typically cover your tuition fee, cultural excursions and partially subsidise your accommodation.

The programme was originally designed by the Tsinghua University International Chinese Language & Culture Centre (ICLCC) and provides a great opportunity for students to experience the real China. We are continually expanding our links with a range of Chinese institutes and locations to broaden students' experiences.



"在中国两周的学习,将集汉语沉浸学习、日常生活接触、商务交友访谈、 名胜风光游览于一体,让学员通过切身体验领略中华文化的久远深厚与充沛活力。"

伦敦商务孔子学院 中方院长

"The two weeks of study in China will enable students to experience China by being there and learning the language as it is really spoken and used, making new friends and contacts, sightseeing and getting a feel for the vibrance of modern Chinese life intertwined with the echo of history and the dawn of our collective future."

# **HOW TO APPLY**

- Read programme details and confirm terms and conditions
- Submit application form with a copy of your CV
- · Wait for application outcome
- Proceed to payment if your application is successful

All applicants will be offered a free consultation (in person or via telephone) to discuss the course and their needs with a member of staff. Please note that students are required to have full eligibility to study and live in the UK, we do not sponsor student visas with this programme.

### COST

The cost of this programme includes the tuition fee, course materials, online platforms, six catch-up sessions, three paper-based HSK examination opportunities, wine receptions, pre-departure training, and all other activities mentioned in the programme overview.

For detailed information about the programme pricing structure, please check our website.





### **CERTIFICATE**

On completion of the programme, you will receive a certificate from LSE CIBL.

### **HSK**

The Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK) is an international exam that tests and rates Chinese language proficiency. It assesses non-native Chinese speakers' abilities to use the Chinese language in their daily, academic and professional lives.

### **CUSTOMISED PROGRAMME**

CIBL is able to offer a customised programme to organisations that enrol a minimum of ten participants. Additional benefits include weekly language classes in companies, and Chinese language classes with tailor-made business elements for your specific industry. If you are interested in the above service, please contact us for further information.

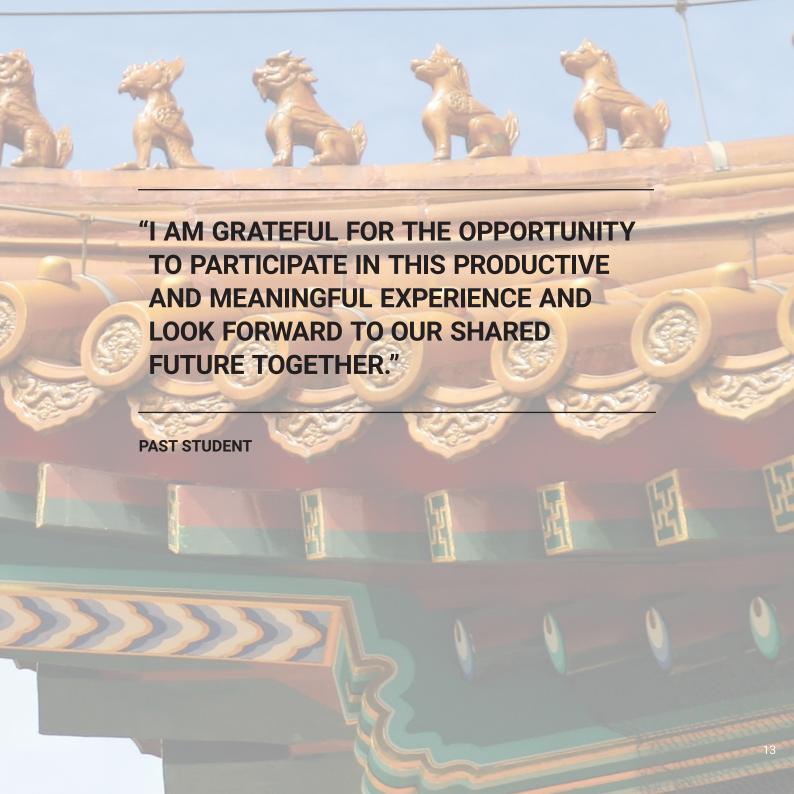
### **ABOUT CIBL**

The Confucius Institute for Business London (known as CIBL) was launched in 2006 with a mission to serve London business communities by providing top quality Chinese language courses, cross-cultural awareness training, China Business Briefings and a range of social-cultural events and networking opportunities.

Founded with the support of BP, Deloitte, HSBC, John Swire & Sons (Swire **Group), Standard Chartered**. The Institute is run by the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), jointly with Tsinghua University in Beijing. CIBL benefits people who want to improve their business engagement with China in both the short and long term.











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