



Dear Teachers of Chinese,

The North Central College Chinese department has secured a STARTALK grant which will provide funding for a Chinese Teacher Program for 12 pre-service and in-service teachers of Chinese language. This year's theme is Integrating Authentic Materials, Effective Teaching Strategies and Technology, and will focus on how to use mixed media and other cultural tools in the classroom to teach Mandarin Chinese. The Chinese Teacher Program will use both a combination of online and face-to-face workshops to provide professional development opportunities for teachers. The on-site meetings and online modules will be led by nationally known teacher trainers, experienced high school teachers, and college professors.

The dates of the STARTALK Chinese Teacher Program will take place from June 17th to August 8th, 2017. The first on-site meeting will be at North Central College from June 17th, followed by the second on-site meeting on June 24th and a series of online modules. The third on-site meeting will be conducted on the weekend of August 7th- 8th at North Central College. Material expenses will be covered by the program, and all participants will receive a \$900 stipend and a certificate for 90 hours of professional development upon completion of the program.

Space is limited for STARTALK North Central College Chinese Teacher Program. If you are interested, please send the following application along with your resume to [startalk@noctrl.edu](mailto:startalk@noctrl.edu). More information can be found on the North Central College website: <https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/summer-chinese-startalk-program>. The application is due **Sunday, May 14, 2017**. A selection committee will review all submissions, and the 12 accepted applicants will be notified via e-mail by Sunday, **May 21, 2017**. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you regarding your interest in this endeavor!

Sincerely,

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## 2017 North Central College STARTALK Teacher Program: “Integrating Authentic Materials, Effective Teaching Strategies and Technology” Application

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### Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                LAST  FIRST  MIDDLE INITIAL

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Educational Experience

Highest Degree Obtained: \_\_\_\_\_ Field: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Obtained: \_\_\_\_\_

The grade level you are teaching or you are interested in teaching: \_\_\_\_\_

### Teaching Experience

Institution Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Courses Taught: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Relevant Teaching Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Statement of Purpose**

In up to 300 words in English, please explain why you would like to participate in the Chinese Teacher Program through STARTALK North Central College?

In up to 300 words in English please explain which types of authentic materials (i.e. Chinese television shows, movies, songs, etc.) you've used before. Please also list any specific projects, teaching strategies or technologies you would like to improve through this training.

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Please send this application along with a copy of your resume to [startalk@noctrl.edu](mailto:startalk@noctrl.edu) so we can continue with the application process. Thank you!