



## The Chinese Proficiency Test at Seattle University



# 中国汉语水平考试 (HSK)

## -- 中文爱好者，尤其是高中生和大学生的佳音

中国汉语水平考试（**HSK**）是为测试第一语言非汉语者的汉语水平而设计的国家级标准化考试。自举办十年以来，在国际上已经取得了很高的声誉。

**HSK** 已在近 30 个国家和地区建立了 100 多个考点。参加考试的人数已超过 40 万人，每年还在大幅增长。

**HSK** 目前共有基础、初中等和高等 3 等 11 个级别。由中国国家汉语水平考试委员会颁发的《汉语水平证书》是许多国家承认的有应用效力的汉语能力等级证书。求职、学习者持此证书在国际人力资源市场、教育机构都具有通行性。国外考点成绩优秀者，还可以获得中国国家汉办提供的长、短期到中国留学的奖学金。

自中国国家汉办正式批准在西雅图大学（Seattle University）建立 **HSK** 考点以来，已举办了多次考试。为美西北地区考生提供了极大的方便。迄今为止，已有许多名考试成绩优异的大、高、中学生及其他社会人员获得了中国政府提供的奖学金，前往北京学习中文。

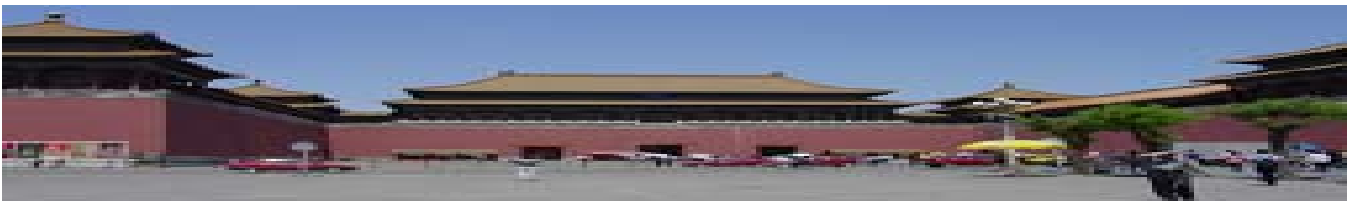
## Seize the time! 机不可失!

The Chinese Proficiency Test, also known as **HSK** for the Chinese Pinyin “**Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi**,” is China’s National standardized test designed to assess the Chinese language proficiency of speakers whose first language is not Chinese. It has solidly established its reputation as a standardized test on Chinese internationally over the last ten years.

There are more than 100 **HSK** centers in about 30 different nations and regions worldwide. More than 400,000 people have already taken the **HSK** and the number increases dramatically each year. Since Seattle University was designated by the Chinese National Office for Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language to be a test site in 2003, many people in the Northwest region of the U.S. have taken advantage of the proximity of the facility.

**HSK** is divided into three categories (Basic, Elementary-Intermediate and Advanced) which are further broken down to eleven levels. Students scoring satisfactorily on the test will be granted the Chinese Proficiency Certificate by the State Committee for the Chinese Proficiency Test. The certificate is readily recognized and accepted all over the world as the authentic certificate-- compared to the Chinese SAT and the AP Chinese test -- when used in pursuing opportunities on the international job markets as well as educational institutions in the P. R. China.

The National Office for Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language also offers scholarship for studying in China on a short-term or long-term basis to non-native Chinese candidates with excellent **HSK** scores and potential. More than a dozen of test takers in the past few years have received the scholarship through the Seattle University test site.



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