

## **REED COLLEGE**

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE 3203 SE Woodstock Boulevard, Portland, Oregon 97202

## REED COLLEGE LANGUAGE SCHOLAR PROGRAM 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

The <u>Language Scholar Program</u> is meant to provide students at Reed College with quality language and cultural learning experiences through meaningful and engaging interactions with native speakers of Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Russian, and Spanish. The program allows language scholars to develop professional skills and gain first-hand knowledge of the U.S. higher education system.

Language Scholars are Reed College staff employees; i.e., they are teaching assistants, not teaching faculty or research scholars. Thus, most duties performed by Language Scholars take place outside the classroom and are designed to supplement and enrich Reed's regular academic programming. Language Scholars report to the Director of the International Programs Office and, under the corresponding Literature Department Chairs' guidance, collaborate with language and literature faculty in structuring and implementing programming that supports engagement with languages and cultures at the College.

Language Scholars' responsibilities include the following, not to exceed 25 hours per week for areas (1) and (2) combined:

- 1. As a Teaching Assistant:
  - Support language learning in various classes.
  - Assist faculty in grading language assignments and students with readings and discussion of designated texts.
  - Provide tutoring on language skills and conduct weekly conversation classes.
  - Organize and participate in extracurricular activities with students.
- 2. As a Language House/IPO staff member:
  - Partner with the House Advisor to develop a lively educational environment conducive to the study of the language and culture in the House.
  - Organize cultural events in the Language House (weekly or biweekly), in collaboration with the HS, and on-campus (once per semester). Examples include film screenings, guest presentations, trivia nights, cooking typical dishes, etc.
  - Collaborate with the Departments and the IPO in study abroad informative meetings and activities with students.
  - Support Reed students planning to study abroad in language immersive programs.
  - Additional duties as required.
- 3. As a Student:
  - Enroll in <u>one course</u> of your choice each semester. The college will waive tuition and fees.

Language Scholars' primary affiliation with Reed Colle will be as a staff member. Language Scholars also have significant responsibilities as educators. As such, they are required to adhere to all <u>Reed Community</u> <u>Policies and Practices</u>. Language Scholars are expected to follow all US laws and visa regulations, including state and federal alcohol, drugs, and firearms laws. Violations will result in dismissal from the position.

## 2024-25 FUNDING FOR LANGUAGE SCHOLAR PROGRAM

<u>Stipend</u>: The College will pay you a total of \$9,255.88 for this position, to be paid in biweekly installments for the academic year (mid-August until mid-May).
<u>Housing</u>: You will be assigned a private room in a <u>Language House</u> (dorm) on campus.
<u>Board</u>: You will receive <u>meals board plan B</u> for all your meals on campus.
<u>Insurance</u>: You will receive a health insurance policy so that you will have access to on-campus and off-campus medical care.
<u>Computer</u>: You will also be assigned a laptop and printer to use.
<u>Visa</u>: The College will cover the cost of your Exchange Visitor (J-1 visa) fee.
<u>Travel</u>: The College will pay the cost of round-trip travel to and from the United States.

All positions are for one academic year. Occasionally, and upon the College's review, positions may be renewed for another year.

## APPLICATIONS

Language Scholars must be native speakers of one of the six languages taught at Reed College: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Russian, or Spanish. Candidates must be at least 22 years of age; they should hold a bachelor's (or equivalent) or a master's degree, preferably in languages, linguistics, or humanities.

Applications must be sent to Dr. Alberto del Río Malo, Director of the International Programs Office, at <u>adelrio@reed.edu</u>, <u>before February 15, 2024</u>, and must include:

- Curriculum Vitae.
- Letter of interest in English.
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member.

Finalists for the position will be contacted for a virtual video interview.