



Cornell University
Department of Asian Studies

FALCON
Full-Year Asian Language CONcentration
2009–2010 Application



DEADLINE AND REQUIREMENTS

Submit this application and all supporting materials by **March 1, 2009**.
After the deadline, applications will be reviewed pending remaining space in the program.

Fellowship application deadlines may occur before March 1, which may require you to submit this application well before the standard FALCON deadline. Please consult the FALCON Program as soon as possible if you are unsure about a deadline.

Please consult the **Application Checklist** for a complete breakdown of the supporting materials required to complete the application process.

Send this application and any correspondence to:

FALCON Program
388 Rockefeller Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, NY 14853

Phone: 607.255.6457 - Fax: 607.255.1345

E-mail: falcon@cornell.edu

Acceptance to FALCON is **not** the same as acceptance to a Cornell degree program. If you are hoping to enter Cornell as a new student or as a permanent transfer student, you must formally apply to the University. Consult the appropriate admissions offices and/or departments for details.

FALCON PROGRAM

Language	Desired Course Sequence (select <i>one</i>)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> Introductory (Summer 1160)	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Year (Summer 1160 + Fall 2260 + Spring 3360)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Japanese	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Summer (2201 and 2202; Requires a placement interview; offered only if enrollment permits. Does not continue to an advanced Fall course.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Year (Fall 2260 + Spring 3360. Requires placement interview.)	

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last name		First name		Middle initial
Birthplace (city, state, country)			Native language(s)	
Birth date (mm/dd/yy) ____/____/____	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Cornell ID		Citizenship
Primary e-mail: _____@_____			Current telephone: () _____ - _____	
Secondary e-mail: _____@_____			Alternate telephone: () _____ - _____	
Preferred mailing address for FALCON correspondence: <input type="checkbox"/> Current <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent	Current address _____ _____ _____		Permanent address _____ _____ _____	
Final date your current address is valid: _____			Final date your current telephone number is valid: _____	

STUDENT STATUS

Are you currently a Cornell student?

No No, but I am applying for 2009–2010 admission to:

a graduate/professional program in _____ an undergraduate program in _____

Yes, I am a graduate/professional student in _____ an undergraduate student in _____

<p>At the time of your FALCON entry, what is the <i>highest</i> degree you expect to have completed?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High school <input type="checkbox"/> M.A. or M.S.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Associate's <input type="checkbox"/> Ph.D.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> B.A. or B.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</p>	<p>You are currently (check all that apply):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A high school student <input type="checkbox"/> A professional student (e.g., JD, MBA, MPA, etc.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An undergraduate student <input type="checkbox"/> Not in school</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An M.A./M.S. student <input type="checkbox"/> Employed (employer): _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A Ph.D. student (position): _____</p>
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EDUCATION AND BACKGROUND

Please list *all* schools you have attended.

High School

Institution	City, state (country if outside U.S.)	Date of entry (mm/yy)	Date left/leaving (mm/yy)
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Undergraduate, Graduate, and/or Professional

Institution	City, state (country if outside U.S.)	Date of entry (mm/yy)	Date left/leaving (mm/yy)
Major(s)	Minor(s)	Degree received/expected	
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Major(s)	Minor(s)	Degree received/expected	
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Major(s)	Minor(s)	Degree received/expected	

Language History

<p>Language</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chinese</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Japanese</p>	<p>Was this language spoken in your home? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N</p> <p>If yes: By whom? _____ During what period of your life? _____</p> <p>Were you regularly spoken to in this language? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N Did you regularly answer in this language? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N</p>
<p>Have you studied this language formally? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N</p> <p>If yes:</p> <p>Institution: _____ Dates (mm/yy-mm/yy): _____</p> <p>Institution: _____ Dates (mm/yy-mm/yy): _____</p>	<p>Have you lived or traveled in a country where this language is spoken? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N</p> <p>If yes:</p> <p>Dates (mm/yy-mm/yy) _____</p> <p>Purpose _____</p>

<p>List all other non-native languages have you studied formally:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Complete a Language Attachment form for each non-native language you have listed here. (Make as many copies as you need.)</p> <p>If necessary, you may supply additional language-learning details on the back of the Language Attachment form or in your personal statement.</p>
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FELLOWSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS)—Administered by the Cornell University East Asia Program

The FLAS provides full tuition payment plus a living stipend. Health insurance and other additional costs are not covered. Applicants can compete for summer-only, academic-year, or full-year awards.

If you are visiting FALCON from an institution other than Cornell, you may be eligible to receive a FLAS from your home institution and apply it toward FALCON. Consult your institution to explore this option.

Use this worksheet to determine your eligibility for the FLAS competition, should the funding become available.

Are you a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident? Y (You might be eligible. Continue to the next question.) N (STOP. You are not eligible.)

Will you have a bachelor's degree or higher by the start of FALCON? Y (You are eligible for the FLAS competition.) N (STOP. You are not eligible.)

To apply:

- Download the FLAS Application from the Financial Aid section of the FALCON web site.
- Submit the completed FLAS application by **February 2, 2009**.
- Submit GRE general exam scores (or their equivalent) to Cornell University. Please note that there is no Institution Code for FALCON. **The Cornell University Graduate School Institution Code is 2098, and the department is Asian Studies.**
- Submit the FALCON application, two letters of recommendation, and official transcripts to the FALCON Program by **February 2, 2009**. Please note that this FLAS deadline is earlier than the normal FALCON application deadline!
- **Special note for Summer FLAS applicants:** Those applying only for *admission* to Summer FALCON are not required to submit recommendations and transcripts. However, to compete for a Summer FLAS, you must submit these materials.

If you are eligible, do you intend to apply for a FLAS? Y N

FALCON Semester Scholarship—Administered by the Cornell University Department of Asian Studies

The FALCON Semester Scholarship is a merit-based award that is applied to the summer and/or spring semester and can cover a significant portion of the tuition. Health insurance and other costs are not covered. Both undergraduate-level and graduate-level FALCON applicants are eligible to compete.

Use this worksheet to determine your eligibility for a merit-based FALCON Semester Scholarship.

To which FALCON sequence are you applying?

- Summer: beginning or intermediate (You are eligible to compete for the Summer Semester Scholarship.)
- Full Year: summer + fall + spring (You are eligible to compete for the Summer and Spring Semester Scholarship.)
- Academic Year: fall + spring (You are eligible to compete for the Spring Semester Scholarship.)

To apply:

- Download the FALCON Semester Scholarship Application from the Financial Aid section of the FALCON web site or request a paper copy from the FALCON office.
- Submit the completed Semester Scholarship Application, the FALCON Application, and all necessary supporting materials by **March 1, 2009**.

If you are eligible, do you intend to apply for a FALCON Semester Scholarship? Y N

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Compose a description of your academic and/or career goals and how FALCON relates to them. Include any information that you feel is relevant—such as noteworthy academic work or awards, how you became interested in the language/culture, any personal experience with the language/culture, etc. Most personal statements are 1–2 pages, double-spaced.

How did you hear about the FALCON Program? _____

I certify that the information contained in this application and supporting documents is complete and accurate, and I understand that submission of inaccurate information may be sufficient cause for denial of admission or termination of enrollment.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date (mm/dd/yy): _____

LANGUAGE ATTACHMENT

Complete one Language Attachment for **each** non-native language you have studied. Supply as much of the requested information as you can.

You may use the back of this form to outline any additional relevant information, if you find that this form does not adequately cover your particular case. However, please be as concise as possible.

	Language:			
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Name of institution				
City, state (country if outside U.S.)				
Number of hours per week in class				
Number of hours of preparation per week in language lab				
Number of hours of preparation per week <i>excluding</i> lab				
Percentage of class time conducted in the language				
Percentage of class time conducted in English				
Percentage of class time spent on speaking skills				
Percentage of class time spent on reading or translating skills				
Books covered (list on back if needed)				
Grades received				

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- You may keep this checklist for your own use in assembling and tracking the components of your application.
- Use the checklist that matches both your desired FALCON course sequence and student status.
- In order for your application to be considered complete and eligible for review, all the materials in your checklist must be received by the FALCON office.
- If you have any questions about your application components, please feel free to contact the FALCON program office.

Course Sequence

- Summer Only: 1160
- Full-Year: 1160, 2260, 3360
- Academic-Year: 2260, 3360

Student Status

- Current Cornell Students: Enrolled in a Cornell graduate or undergraduate degree program.
- Visiting Undergraduate Students: Non-Cornell students who **will not** have a bachelor's degree by the FALCON entry date. This includes all high school students.
- Visiting Graduate Students: Non-Cornell students who **will** have a bachelor's degree by the FALCON entry date.

Current Cornell University Students

Summer Only:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement

Full-Year or Academic-Year:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement
- Written permission from your advisor or committee chair.

Visiting Undergraduate Students

Summer Only:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement
- \$25 application fee, made payable to Cornell University.

Full-Year or Academic-Year:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement
- \$45 application fee, made payable to Cornell University.
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended (high school transcripts are not needed unless you do not yet have a college record).
- Two official letters of recommendation.

Visiting Graduate Students

Summer Only:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement
- \$25 application fee, made payable to Cornell University.

Full-Year or Academic-Year:

- FALCON Application, including Language Attachments(s) and Personal Statement
- \$45 application fee, made payable to Cornell University.
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- Two official letters of recommendation.
- FALCON Supplement form (downloadable from the application section of the website: <http://irc.cornell.edu/falcon/Apply>).

Send the FALCON Application, supporting materials, and any correspondence to:

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