

# Confucius Institute. 谢菲尔德大学孔子学院.



# Sino-English Club (SEC) Guidelines

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### 1. Mission and Aims

The Sino-English Club (SEC) provides an educational and cultural platform that facilitates meaningful language and cultural exchange between Chinese and English speakers. It fosters a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment that promotes mutual understanding, learning, and collaboration.

In alignment with the University of Sheffield's mission and values, the SEC upholds the University's commitment to delivering life-enhancing education through excellence, inclusivity, collaboration, integrity, and respect.

Guided by the University's <u>Code of Conduct: Living Our Values</u> and the <u>Equality</u>, <u>Diversity and Inclusion</u> Framework, the SEC is dedicated to building a community where everyone can learn, share, and thrive together in a supportive and respectful environment.

## 2. Membership

- Open to all University of Sheffield students, staff, and community members interested in Sino-English exchange.
- 2) Participation is free of charge, and all members must adhere to the University of Sheffield Code of Conduct and the Confucius Institute (CI) Code of Conduct.
- 3) The SEC is a learning and cultural community not a platform for personal gain, political advocacy, or religious promotion.
- 4) Members are expected to uphold the values of respect, openness, and integrity in all interactions.
- 5) Members who wish to leave the SEC must inform the CI/SEC team in writing and are expected to remove themselves from all SEC communication platforms. Members who do not do so will be removed by the SEC administration team.

## 3. Meetings & Activities

- 1) Normally, the SEC Regular Meetings follow the University Semester Dates, from Week 1 to Week 12 and held on Thursday evenings 6:30–8:30 pm.
- 2) Special Events: Cultural celebrations (e.g. Spring Festival, Mid-Autumn Festival), "Party in the Park," cultural workshops, and collaborations with groups such as CSSA and SEAS.
- External Activities: Unless approved in advance by the SEC Committee or Confucius Institute, any activities held outside official SEC meetings are not recognised or covered by SEC/CI responsibility.
- 4) All meetings must take place in safe, accessible, and approved locations, following University risk and safeguarding policies.

# 4. Tandem Language Partner Guidelines (currently the Partner Scheme is on hold)

- 1) Participation is voluntary and based on mutual consent.
- 2) Duration: Maximum of 5 sessions per cycle.
- 3) Meetings should occur in public or university-approved spaces.
- 4) Personal contact information may only be shared with consent.
- 5) Participants must respect boundaries and follow the same code of conduct as in regular meetings.
- 6) Concerns should be reported to the SEC teachers and coordinators; serious issues to the SEC Committee, CI Director, or University Security.
- 7) Either partner may end the pairing at any time without the need for explanation.

### 5. Management, Finance & Administration

### 5.1 Governance

- The SEC Committee operates under the Confucius Institute management team.
- All major decisions, spending, and disciplinary actions require CI Director approval.
- Matters not specified here fall under the Committee's discretion, subject to CI oversight.

#### 5.2 Finance

• All budgets and expenses are processed via the CI, in compliance with University of Sheffield financial regulations.

### 5.3 Events & Risk Management

- All events must undergo CI approval and University risk assessment procedures.
- Guest speakers, publicity materials, and partnerships require prior CI consent.
- Venues and participants must adhere to University health, safety, and safeguarding policies.
- In emergencies, contact University Security: 0114 222 4085.

### **5.4 Record Keeping & Data Protection**

- Membership and attendance records are securely stored by CI staff, in line with GDPR and University data protection policies.
- Personal data are used only for SEC purposes and deleted after use.

### 5.5 Discipline & Complaints

- Minor concerns will be handled by the Lead Teacher during meetings.
- Serious or repeated misconduct will be referred to SEC Committee, the CI Director or the University of Sheffield under its disciplinary procedures.
- The University's Code of Conduct and Dignity at Work and Study Policy apply to all participants.

### 6. SEC Code of Conduct

### **6.1 Attendance and Participation**

- Attendance is voluntary; members are encouraged to participate regularly.
- Members who remain inactive over an extended period should request to have their membership removed.
- Non-active members may be refrained from participating in future SEC activities until reregistration.
- Participants are expected to arrive on time, within a buffer range of 15 minutes before or after the scheduled start time.

### **6.2 Respectful Interaction**

To maintain a welcoming and productive atmosphere:

- Speak politely and listen actively.
- Avoid interrupting or dominating discussions.
- Be patient with differing levels of language ability.
- Show appreciation for different cultural viewpoints.

### **6.3 Sensitive Topics**

- Discussions on a wide range of topics are encouraged when presented in an informative, balanced, and neutral manner.
- Members may share personal experiences respectfully and briefly.
- The following are not permitted:
  - Campaigning, promoting, or recruiting for any political party, ideology, or religious group.
  - Debating or arguing about political or religious beliefs.
  - o Disrespecting others' identities, backgrounds, or beliefs.
- If sensitive topics arise, the lead teacher or session facilitator should guide the discussion back to cultural and educational learning.

### 6.4 Dignity and Inclusion

- Harassment, discrimination, bullying, or intimidation in any form are strictly prohibited.
- Sexual harassment or misconduct will result in immediate referral to the University's disciplinary process.
- All members are expected to support an environment where everyone feels safe, valued, and respected.

### 6.5. Confidentiality and Privacy

- Personal information shared during meetings (such as contact details or personal stories) must remain confidential.
- Recording, photography, or video capture during meetings is not permitted without prior consent from all participants.
- Members must always follow University data protection and privacy policies.

### 6.6. Language Use

- Mistakes are part of the learning process—members should correct others kindly and constructively.
- The environment should remain supportive, patient, and inclusive of all language proficiency levels.

### 7. Review

These Guidelines are reviewed annually by the SEC Committee and the Confucius Institute Director to ensure alignment with the University of Sheffield's values, policies and guidelines.



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# 汉英角运行指南

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# 一、宗旨与目标

汉英角(Sino-English Club,简称 SEC)旨在提供一个教育和文化交流的平台,促进中英文使用者之间有意义的语言与文化交流,营造一个安全、尊重且包容的环境,推动相互理解、语言学习与跨文化合作。

遵循谢菲尔德大学的使命与价值观,汉英角秉承"通过卓越、包容、协作、诚信与尊重提供改变人生的教育"的承诺。

在大学《行为准则:践行我们的价值观》,以及平等、多样性与包容框架的指导下,汉英角致力于营造一个安全、尊重的学习与交流社区,让每个人都能在其中学习、分享与成长。

# 二、会员制度

- 面向所有对中英文化交流感兴趣的谢菲尔德大学学生、教职员工及社区成员开放。
- 参加活动免费,所有成员必须遵守谢菲尔德大学《行为准则》及孔子学院的管理。
- 汉英角是一个学习与文化交流的社区,而非个人利益、政治宣传或宗教推广的平台.
- 成员须始终坚持平等、尊重、包容与诚信的原则。
- 成员退出:希望退出汉英角的成员必须以书面形式通知 CI/SEC 团队,并应从所有汉英角通讯平台中移除自己。未按要求操作的成员将由汉英角管理团队进行移除.

# 三、活动安排

- 常规活动: 大学学期内第1周到第12周, 每周四晚6:30-8:30;
- 特别活动: 文化节庆(春节、中秋节庆典)、"公园派对"、文化工作坊及与学联/东亚系联合活动;

- 外部活动:除非事先得到孔院书面批复,不被视为汉英角正式活动,孔院不承担相关责任。
- 所有会议必须在安全、可达并经批准的场地举行,并遵守大学的风险与保障政策。

## 四、语言伙伴计划指南(目前暂缓实行)

- 1. 自愿报名、双方同意。
- 2. 每轮最多5次语伴见面。
- 3. 仅限校园公共场所见面。
- 4. 联系方式须经双方同意后方可交换。
- 5. 尊重界限, 遵守与常规会议相同的行为准则。
- 6. 如有问题及时上报汉英角教师、协调员。严重情况上报汉英角委员会、孔院,或大学保安(电话 0114 2224085)。
- 7. 任一方可随时终止语伴活动, 无需提供理由。

# 五、管理、财务与行政

### 管理结构

- 汉英角委员会在孔子学院管理团队的领导下运作:
- 所有重大决策、经费支出及纪律处分须报孔院管理团队和孔院院长批准:
- 本文件未明确之事项由委员会酌情处理,但须接受孔子学院监督。

### 财务管理

- 所有预算与支出由孔院财务团队统一管理:
- 所有财务按照谢菲尔德大学财务规定执行。

#### 活动与风险管理

- 所有活动须经孔院审批,并通过大学风险评估程序;
- 嘉宾演讲、宣传材料及合作项目均须事先获得孔院同意;
- 活动场地与参与者须遵守大学健康、安全与保障政策和规定:
- 紧急情况请联系大学保卫处: 0114 222 4085。

### 记录与数据保护

- 会员登记与活动出勤记录由孔院工作人员安全保存, 遵守 GDPR 及大学数据保护政策;
- 个人信息仅用于汉英角活动,活动结束后删除。

### 纪律与投诉处理

- 轻微问题由带领教师在活动期间处理。
- 严重或重复违规行为将上报汉英角委员会、孔院团队、孔院院长,或大学纪律部门;
- 多次违规者将被取消汉英角会员资格:
- 所有成员均须遵守大学各项政策和行为准则。

# 六、汉英角行为准则

(为便于查阅,第6部分的简要版--《守则》,将在常规会议上展示,附在签到表旁边。)

### 6.1 出勤与参与

- 参加活动为自愿性质,但鼓励成员保持定期参与。
- 长期未参加活动的成员应主动申请退出会员名单。
- 非活跃成员可能在重新登记前被暂停参与后续活动。
- 请准时到达活动现场,建议在预定开始时间前后 15 分钟内入场。

### 6.2 尊重交流

- 为营造友好、积极的交流氛围,保持礼貌发言,认真倾听他人。
- 避免打断他人,避免过度主导讨论话题。
- 尊重并耐心对待不同语言水平的成员。
- 欣赏并包容不同的文化观点与表达方式。

### 6.3 敏感话题

- 鼓励就各类话题展开讨论,但前提是以信息丰富、客观平衡和中立的方式进行。
- 成员可适度且尊重地分享个人经历。
- 以下行为严禁出现:
  - o 为任何政党、意识形态或宗教团体进行宣传、推广或招募;

- o 进行胁迫性的政治、宗教、信仰等方面的辩论或争论;
- 。 对他人的身份认同、人文背景、观念、信仰发表不尊重言论。
- 如遇敏感话题, 主持教师或活动负责人应及时引导讨论回到文化与教育学习的方向。

## 6.4 尊严与包容

- 严禁任何形式的骚扰、歧视、欺凌或恐吓行为。
- 涉及性骚扰或不当行为的事件将立即上报,并按照大学相关纪律程序处理。
- 所有成员都有责任共同营造一个安全、包容、相互尊重的学习与交流环境。

### 6.5 保密与隐私

- 会议中分享的个人信息(如联系方式或个人经历)须严格保密。
- 未经所有参与者明确同意,不得录音、拍照或录像。
- 成员须遵守大学的数据保护与隐私政策,妥善处理个人信息。

### 6.6 语言使用

- 鼓励每个成员尽可能多地使用自己学习的目标语言(中文或英文)。
- 语言错误是学习过程的一部分, 应以友善、积极的态度进行纠正与引导。
- 请保持耐心与包容, 支持不同语言水平的成员共同学习与成长。

## 七. 审核

本运行指南由汉英角委员会与孔子学院团队每年审核一次,以确保其与谢菲尔德大学的价值观、政策与指导方针保持一致。