

VBCI Chinese Language Proficiency Test Plan 2023

The Victoria Business Confucius Institute (VBCI) is an authorised facilitator of the Chinese language proficiency tests and is based at Victoria University in Melbourne.

1. What are the HSK/HSKK/YCT Tests?

You can get the general information as below. For more information about the tests, please visit the website. You can also download the sample test papers by visiting the website.

***** What are the HSK Tests?

The HSK is an international standardised test to assess the Chinese language proficiency of non-native speakers, including foreigners, overseas Chinese, and Chinese national minorities. It is primarily aimed at adult learners. HSK tests are held across the globe on a regular basis. Candidates who pass the test will be awarded the corresponding Chinese Proficiency Certificates.

***** What are the HSKK Tests?

HSK Speaking Test (HSKK) assesses the test takers' oral Chinese abilities. HSKK consists of three levels, HSKK (Basic level), HSKK (Intermediate level) and HSKK (Advanced level). HSKK is conducted in the form of audio recording.

***** What are the YCT Tests?

The new YCT is an international standardized test of Chinese language proficiency. It assesses young foreign students' abilities to use Chinese in their daily and academic lives. The new YCT consists of a writing test and a speaking test, which are independent of each other. The writing test is divided into four levels.

2. Why take the HSK/HSKK/YCT Tests?

***** Why take the HSK Tests?

The HSK tests are classified into six levels, with level 1 being the lowest, and level 6 being the highest. Taking the tests not only helps students to keep track of their study, but helps in precisely identifying one's speaking, writing, and reading skills in Chinese.

Mandarin, with its high value on a resume, is becoming a popular language studied by many professionals and students, and it is therefore important for anyone wishing to blend in China to start learning quickly. If you are a professional currently looking for employment on the Chinese market, the higher your HSK level is, the higher will be your value in the eyes of a



HR recruiter. If you are a student whose goal is to study in China, acquiring an HSK level can be of help in the admission and scholarship process.

***** Why take the HSKK Tests?

The HSKK is an evaluation for your oral language skills.

- Test takers who are able to pass the HSK Speaking Test (Basic Level) can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and meet specific needs for communication.
- Test takers who are able to pass the Intermediate Level can understand intermediate Chinese and converse fluently with native Chinese speakers.
- Test takers who are able to pass the Advanced Level can understand spoken Chinese and fluently express their ideas in Chinese.

***** Why take the YCT Tests?

The YCT is intended for students whose mother tongue is not Chinese. The results of the test can serve various purposes:

- A method for Chinese language learners to assess and improve their proficiency in Chinese.
- A method for Chinese language training institutions to evaluate training results.
- A benchmark for students who want to participate in the HSK test.

3. When are the HSK/HSK Tests in 2023?

Test Venue: Level 8, Victoria University City Tower Campus, 370 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

You can find our test plan through <u>our website</u>, <u>monthly newsletter</u> and Facebook page (vbciAustralia).

| HSK Test Plan 2023 | | | | | | |
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| No. | Test Dates | Registration | | Results Release | | |
| | | Current Status | Deadlines | Dates | | |
| 1. | 18-03-2023 | Registration is open. | 19-02-2023 | 18-04-2023 | | |
| 2. | 11-06-2023 | Registration will be open on 03-04-2023. | 15-05-2023 | 11-07-2023 | | |
| 3. | 16-09-2023 | Registration will be open on 03-04-2023. | 20-08-2023 | 23-10-2023 | | |
| 4. | 18-11-2023 | Cancelled | 22-10-2023 | 18-12-2023 | | |

Test duration for each level:

➤ HSK Level 1: 1:30pm-2:10pm (40mins)

➤ HSK Level 2: 9:00am-9:55am (55mins)

➤ HSK Level 3: 1:30pm-3:00pm (90mins)

➤ HSK Level 4: 9:00am-10:45am (105mins)

➤ HSK Level 5: 1:30pm-3:35pm (125mins)

➤ HSK Level 6: 9:00am-11:20am (140 mins)



| HSKK Test Plan 2023 | | | | | | |
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| No. | Test Dates | Registration | | Results Release | | |
| | | Current Status | Deadlines | Dates | | |
| 1. | 16-07-2023 | Registration will be open on 03-04-2023. | 19-06-2023 | 16-08-2023 | | |
| 2. | 15-10-2023 | Cancelled | 18-09-2023 | 15-11-2023 | | |

Test duration for each level:

➤ HSKK Basic Level: (17mins)

➤ HSKK Intermediate Level: (21 mins)
➤ HSKK Advanced Level: (24 mins)

| YCT Test Plan 2023 | | | | | | |
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| No. | Test Dates | Registration | | Results Release | | |
| | | Current Status | Deadlines | Dates | | |
| 1. | 13-05-2023 | Cancelled | 16-04-2023 | 13-06-2023 | | |
| 2. | 11-11-2023 | Registration will be open on 03-04-2023. | 15-10-2023 | 11-12-2023 | | |

Test duration for each level:

> YCT Level 1: 9:00am- 9:35am (35mins)

> YCT Level 2: 9:00am- 9:50am (50mins)

> YCT Level 3: 9:00am- 10:00am (60mins)

> YCT Level 4: 9:00am- 10:25am (85mins)

4. How to register for the HSK/HSKK/YCT Tests?

a) Choose the level of Chinese Proficiency Test.

Open the Chinese Test website at http://www.chinesetest.cn/goliuchengtu.do

b) Select your preferred test levels as shown below;

If you have already used the online registration system before, please directly enter user name and password to login in and register for the test. If not, please first register as a new user by selecting *Membership Registration* to enter.

(Tips: make use you copy and paste the website above to an **IE web browser version 6.0 or above** or a **Firefox web browser**. Other browsers won't work!)



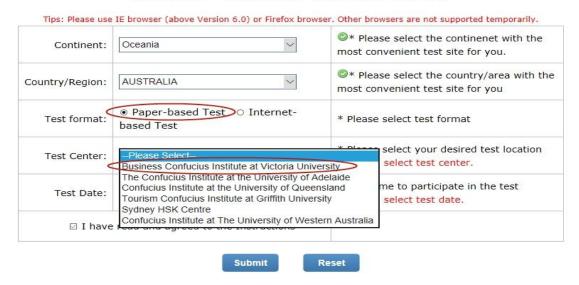


c) Choose the test centre

Make sure you choose the **Paper-based Test** and the **Business Confucius Institute at Victoria University** as shown below.

P.S. Currently we only offer the paper-based test.

HSK Level I -- Registration -- Test Center Choosing



- d) Fill out your personal information.
- e) Upload necessary documents and confirm registration.

Attention: You do not need to pay here. Payment will be illustrated in the next step.

5. How much does the HSK Test cost?

| Exam Levels | Fees | |
|-------------------|--------|--|
| HSK Level 1 | AUD 35 | |
| HSK Level 2 | AUD 35 | |
| HSK Level 3 | AUD 55 | |
| HSK Level 4 | AUD 55 | |
| HSK Level 5 | AUD 75 | |
| HSK Level 6 | AUD 75 | |
| HSKK Basic | AUD 35 | |
| HSKK Intermediate | AUD 55 | |
| HSKK Advanced | AUD 75 | |
| YCT Level 1 | AUD 20 | |
| YCT Level 2 | AUD 20 | |
| YCT Level 3 | AUD 20 | |
| YCT Level 4 | AUD 30 | |



To pay for your test, please copy and paste the following link into your web browser or simply click it. The link is created by the Finance, Victoria University.

https://vu.onestopsecure.com/OneStopWeb/V9Y/tran?UDS_ACTION=DEFAULT&UDS_ACTION_DATA=0469C28B-9891-4A9E-9FB4-DE77443442FB

When we receive the payment report from the financial department in 2 business days after your payment, we will send you the confirmation email.

6. How to check the result and collect the original certificate?

You are able to check the result around one month after the test.

The original certificates will be mailed to our test centre branch in 2-2.5 months after the test. We will contact you when it's ready to collect yours at our office on Victoria University Footscray Park Campus.

Office Address: Room D414, Level 4, Building D, Victoria University Footscray Park Campus, 70/104 Ballarat Rd, Footscray VIC 3011 (P.S. Please contact us by email in advance.)

You are welcomed to provide us a pre-paid parcel bag or envelope (A4 size) on the test date. Then we could post the original certificate to you if you are inconvenient to pick up it at our office.

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Email: vbci@vu.edu.au

Photo example

