

Canadian Teaching Chinese as a Second Language Association



















Call for Papers

Canadian TCSL Association invites submission of abstracts for:

2026 Canadian TCSL Conference & AGM

April 25, 2026

Venue: Zoom

The Canadian TCSL Association invites abstract submissions for the 2026 Canadian Teaching Chinese as a Second Language (TCSL) Conference, to be held online via Zoom on Saturday, April 25, 2026. We warmly welcome scholars, educators, and practitioners from across Canada and around the world to join us in showcasing research, sharing teaching experiences, and fostering collaboration in the field of Chinese language education.

The 2026 conference marks the 25th annual signature event organized by the Canadian TCSL Association. With the theme "Revitalizing, Transforming, and Sustaining Chinese Language Education in Canada and Beyond," this year's conference especially welcomes submissions that explore innovative practices and research contributing to the renewal, resilience, and long-term sustainability of Chinese language, literature, and culture education in both traditional and AI-enhanced learning environments.

Each presentation will be about 25 minutes, followed by a Q&A session. Submissions are encouraged on, but not limited to, the following areas:

- 1. Curriculum design and pedagogical innovation for enhancing learner engagement and outcomes
- 2. Program development and sustainability, including strategies for strengthening Chinese language programs in diverse institutional contexts
- 3. Artificial intelligence (AI) and its implications for Chinese language teaching and learning
- 4. Assessment and feedback practices in in-person, online, and blended learning environments

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Please submit your abstract as an email attachment to cantcslaconference@gmail.com with the subject line: "2026 TCSL Abstract – [Your Name]"

Each individual may submit **one** (1) **abstract** only. For each submission, please include the following information:

- 1. **Title:** Up to 20 words (in English or Chinese)
- 2. **Description:** Up to 300 words in English, or 350 Chinese characters (excluding references)
- 3. **Key Takeaways:** 3–5 bullet points outlining what participants will gain from attending your session
- 4. **Personal Information:** Name, title, and affiliation (included in the *email body*, not in the abstract file)

Please note: If accepted, your abstract will appear in the official conference program as submitted.

Important Dates and Notes

- 1. Abstract submission deadline: February 22 (Sunday), 2026
- 2. Notification of review results: March 8 (Sunday), 2026
- 3. Presenter registration deadline: March 22 (Sunday), 2026 presenters must complete registration by this date to secure a spot in the conference program.
- 4. Co-presenters must be listed on the submitted abstract and are required to register for and participate in the presentation.

Conference Registration Guidelines

- 1. Online registration will be available starting **February 1**, 2026 via the Association's website: www.canadiantcslassociation.ca.
- 2. Payment should be made online according to your registration category. Proof of eligibility may be requested for discounted rates. An official receipt will be issued **within one week AFTER** the conclusion of the conference.
- 3. All registration fees are listed in Canadian dollars (CAD).

Membership & Conference Fees for Individual Members

	Early Bird	Regular	Special Rates (students, retirees & K-12 teachers)	
	(by March	(by April 19,	Early Bird (by March	Regular (by April 19,
	31, 2026)	2026)	31, 2026)	2026)
Membership dues	\$50	\$50	\$25	\$25
Conference fee for	\$60	\$80	\$50	\$70
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Subsidized evening	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Session				
Total with evening	\$170	\$190	\$135	\$155
session:				
Total without	\$110	\$130	\$75	\$95
evening session:				

^{*} Flat conference fee for individuals who opt not to become Members: \$100.00 (February 1 – April 19, 2026)

^{**}Flat conference fee for corporations: \$400.00 (February 1 – April 19 2025)

Refund Schedule

	Before and on March 31,	April 1 - April 11, 2026	After April 11,
	2026		2026
Membership fee	No refund	No refund	No refund
Conference Fee	Full refund of paid conference	50% refund of paid	No refund
	fee minus \$30 processing fee	conference fee minus \$30	
		processing fee	
Evening Session	Full refund	Full refund	No refund

Organizing Committee

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