

# How to prepare application documents well?

China has become one of the most popular study abroad destinations for international students because of its long history and exciting culture.

In 2017, more than 500,000 students from over 200 countries came to China to study for either degree or non-degree programs. With the booming population, the Chinese government and the majority of universities have strengthened their application procedure.So if you want to speed up your admission in this year 2023/2024 and overcome years, EGT would recommend you to prepare the following application materials in advance

### 01. An Eligible photocopy of your passport and a photo 4\*4 type passport

- It should be clear.
- It should be a color image, not a gray image.
- It should have at least 1 year of validity.

• All your personal information must be in accordance with your passport.

# 02. Eligible graduation certificate and transcript

• Clear, color image, with official seal.

• Graduate students should provide a graduation certificate; School students should provide a pregraduation certificate.

- They should be in Chinese or English. If not, they should be translated into Chinese or English and be notarized.
- It should contain all your transcripts as well.

• If you want to apply to courses taught in Chinese language, you should prepare the required HSK certificate(s).

### 03. Eligible Bank statement

- It should start from the past 6 months.
- Bank deposit holders should be student's sponsors.

• Normally the balance is enough for your first year tuition fee and accommodation fee.

### 04. Eligible No-criminal certificate

- It should be issued by local police stations or supporting institutions.
- It should be within the validation period of 6 months.
- Students who have graduated 2 years above or from sensitive nations should provide no criminal certificate.

## 05. Health report

- It should be within the validation period of 6 months.
- With physician signature and official seal of the hospital.

# **Entrance Requirements**

If you want to study a specific course in a Chinese university, you should check whether you are eligible to the application requirements of the course when you are on the page of program details, for each course at different Chinese universities has its own requirements for entry. According to the degree level of the course, the requirements of most Chinese universities are:

#### Non-degree courses

Pre-university courses	High school diploma or the equivalent (e.g. A-level or BAC)
Chinese Language and Culture	<ol> <li>High school diploma or the equivalent (e.g. A-level or BAC)</li> <li>The applicant should be at least 18 years old</li> </ol>

#### **Degree Courses**

For all degree courses in Chinese universities, there are age limits-18 or above 18 years old, for international students. Besides, the requirements of educational background are different depending on the level of degree.

#### 1. Bachelor's degree course

English- Medium	1.High school diploma or the equivalent (e.g. A-level) 2.Recognized English Proficiency Tests results such as those of the TOEFL or IELTS (You don't need to provide the above results if you are an English native speaker or you have an academic degree taught in English)
Chinese-	<ol> <li>High school diploma or college certificate</li> <li>HSK results should be at level 3 or above, or the</li></ol>
Medium	passing of the university's entrance examination

#### 2. Master's degree courses

English- Medium	<ol> <li>Completion of a Bachelor's degree course</li> <li>One or two letters of recommendation from professors</li> <li>Recognized English Proficiency Tests results such as those of the TOEFL or IELTS (You don't need to provide the above results if you are an English native speaker or you have an academic degree taught in English)</li> </ol>
Chinese- Medium	<ol> <li>Completion of a Bachelor's degree course</li> <li>One or two letters of recommendation from professors</li> <li>HSK results should be at level 6 or above, or the passing of the university's entrance examination</li> </ol>

#### 3. Doctoral degree courses

English- Medium	<ol> <li>Completion of a Bachelor's degree course or the equivalent</li> <li>At least two letters of recommendation from professors</li> <li>Recognized English Proficiency Tests results such as those of the TOEFL or IELTS, (You don't need to provide the above results if you are an English native speaker or you have an academic degree taught in English)</li> </ol>
Chinese- Medium	<ol> <li>Completion of a Master's degree course</li> <li>At least two letters of recommendation from professors</li> <li>HSK results should be at level 6 or above, or the passing of the university's entrance examination</li> </ol>

**Reminder:** You should also pay attention to the Entry Requirements of a certain course when you are browsing the course's page, please make sure that you bring with you the required documents.

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# The Top 6 Reasons to Study in China

In recent years many countries across the world have seen an increasingly strong demand to study in China. In 2010 alone, the number of students from over 180 countries who came to study for degree and non-degree courses was more than 256,000. So why study in China?

You may wonder why China is so attractive to those who want to study abroad; here are the top six main reasons:

### 1. Affordable Study Costs

Compared to some European countries, America, Japan, South Korea and other Asian countries, the cost of studying in China is much more reasonable. The tuition for English taught MBBS, Business and Engineering course etc. is only about 1000 to 3000 US dollars a year.

You can live a content life with a small budget in China. In cities like Beijing or Shanghai, the rent for a small apartment will be at least 100 to 200 US dollars per month. In small cities and towns, housing prices are much lower, for example, a rent for an apartment with two beds could be 500 US dollars per month in the city of Qingdao, Dalian, Nanjing, Changsha, Weifang and so on. A meal at a local restaurant for one person could only cost 1-5 US dollars. A good pair of shoes might be about 10-20 US dollars at a local market. Taking a bus is usually about 10 cents, and a subway ticket in Shanghai and Beijing is about 30 cents.

### 2. Travel and Discovery

Located in the east of the world, China is a country with a long history and splendid civilization. Studying in China is the best way for you to fully enjoy this charming and mysterious country. Here you will start a journey of brand-new exploration: experience its unique mix of ancient and modern civilization, enjoy its scenic beauty, study its profound culture as well as making friends with students from all over the world.

The highly-diversified terrain of China takes you from bustling cities full of colorful nightlife to isolated mountaintop Ming-Dynasty villages where you can even hear a pin drop. As one of the world's oldest continuous civilizations, China will have you stumble on history here and there. But it's not just a museum of imperial relics, the booming development has left China's coastline glittering with some of the world's most modern cities with a forward-thinking dynamism.

It is convenient and affordable to travel around China owing to the well-developed transportation system. It boasts the world's most completed railway system and the modern bullet train can reach up to 300 km per hour.

### 3. Immersed in Chinese Culture

Studying in China is the start of a life full of excitement and adventures as well as a chance for you to immerse yourself in Chinese culture with a history of more than 5000 years. The profound cultural heritage here will tell you all the stuff about people in this country, which is the most multicultural in the world. The incomparably varied quintessence of Chinese culture, from Peking opera to calligraphy, from Chinese traditional medicine to martial arts, from the exquisite cuisine to wine culture, all of this will open a window for you to know more about Chinese culture.

What's more, China is a multi-ethnic state. 56 nationalities

with distinctive features live together in harmony. Each of the minorities has its own tradition, religion and custom. By communicating with Chinese people here, you will find your life is continuously replenished by various cultures and wonderful stories. There are always brand-new horizons to observe and know the world.

### 4. High-quality Education

Why study in China? China is seeking to promote the development of first-class universities, and the Chinese government has invested heavily in education. There are around 6,000 tertiary education institutes in China that are allowed by the Chinese Ministry of Education to admit international students. 160 of these institutes are authorized to hand over Chinese government scholarships. Universities offer both degree and non-degree programs not only for programs with distinct Chinese features such as Mandarin, Calligraphy, Kungfu, Classical Chinese Poetry, Chinese Medicine, etc, also programs in subjects such as MBBS, Business, Engineering and many other majors are provided, In particular, for those foreign students who want to gain some training on Chinese language, almost all the universities set up Language and Culture programs to help them learn Chinese, meanwhile, students can get comprehensive service about HSK test and examination. In addition, a lot of universities offer Bachelor's. Master's or Doctoral Degree programs are taught in English so that even for those who don't know Chinese, they can get the opportunity to pursue further development.

The official educational certificates awarded by Chinese universities are internationally recognized. Bilateral recognition agreement has been reached between the Chinese government and a great many countries, including the USA, Britain, France, Japan and 65 other countries and regions. Therefore, it is very safe and guaranteed to study in China under the protection and support of the official authorization.

### 5. Promising Job Opportunities

Known by all, China is the world's second largest economy after the United States. It is the world's fastest-growing major economy, with average growth rates of 10% during the past 30 years. China is also the largest exporter and second largest importer of goods in the world.

There is no doubt that China's increasing influence as a global economic power will benefit all the students who study here. Huge demands of the Chinese domestic market, numerous world's top companies such as General Electric, Exxon Mobil, Volkswagen and Siemens etc have made a strategic move to doing business in China with many of them citing their Asia-Pacific headquarters in Beijing and Shanghai. Studying in China will offer you a chance to join these international groups and realize yourself in the global work market. Speaking Chinese certainly gives you more options, therefore, studying in China is the best way to learn Chinese and start your fantastic career.

### 6. Studying in China safely

China is a nation of etiquette and Chinese people are warm-hearted and hospitable. The renowned four books and five classics in ancient China and the popularity of Confucianism had endowed the nation with a nature of comity and a consciousness of humility. As was written in the Analects of Confucius 'isn't it a great joy to have friends from afar', foreigners who come to China always find them being welcomed by the local neighbors.

Being one of the permanent members of the United Nations, the Chinese government has constantly appealed

its moderate foreign policy which has reached a consensus among numerous countries. Acting to push on world peace, China has actively developed good-neighboring relations of friendship with the surrounding countries and become one of the safest countries for studying abroad.

So why study in China? The vastness and complexity of China make it exciting to study here. With its rich culture and history, picturesque scenery and booming economy, China has always something to offer every student. So, young man, just go east, start a new life and begin an enjoyable journey, China is waiting for you!

# Arrange Your Future Study in China

The following aspects are highly suggested to be considered in order to better arrange your future study.

#### What courses are you intended to study?

Thousands of programs are offered by Chinese universities for international students. Among the various programs, Study MBBS in China, Study Business in China and Study Engineering in China are most popular. Because most degree programs set certain requirements on the applicants' education background and language level, please browse Entrance Requirements for further information. There are also non-degree programs which offer Chinese culture and language courses as well as other training courses.

#### What is the budget for your study in China?

The expenses in China are relatively low compared to developed countries. The cost of living and life in some large Chinese cities like Beijing and Shanghai are slightly higher, but the general costs are still lower than that of the developed countries. There are also some smaller cities such as Jinan, Qingdao, Liaocheng, Wenzhou, Guilin, Changchun for you to choose from because they are comparatively smaller but you can live very well with much lower costs. For more information about costs, call us.

#### Which Chinese city / university do you want to study in?

If you are not familiar with Chinese cities and universities, there is a lot of data for you to look over. For university rankings, browse our University Rankings or use our School search to search for a university.

If you have no idea about cities, you can browse on Google: study in Qingdao; study in Shanghai; study in Beijing; study in Dalian; study in Shenyang; study in Jinan and study in Weifang. These cities have more policies and English-taught courses to welcome foreign students to study in China.

If you are considering studying non-degree programs to learn Chinese, you may have heard that Shandong province is known as one of the original lands of the standard mandarin and is also the birthplace of Confucius (the great Chinese ancient philosopher). Shandong University boasts the highest HSK pass rate among Chinese universities.

#### How long will you plan to study in China?

The study duration of Degree Programs are as follows:

	Qualification Awarded	Study Duration
	Associate Degree	2-3 years
PER	Bachelor's Degree	4 -6 years (5 or 6 years for medical course including one year internship)
14	Master's Degree	2-3 years
1	Doctoral Degree	3 -4 years

**Degree programs:** At most Chinese universities degree programs begin every September. A small number of courses can admit students during spring.

**Non-degree programs:** are mainly one-semester (4-6 months), one-year or short-term (anywhere from 1-8 weeks).

Language programs: for the one-semester language programs, they usually open in either semester. (starting in both September and February/March); these longer programs which last for one-year usually open during September; the short-term courses may be subjected to fixed time or according to the number of the students. Summer courses have start dates throughout June, July and August, and last for 1-8 weeks.

# How to choose the most suitable university

Currently, nearly 150 Chinese public universities and 50 Language schools are using EGT' admission partnership. Several guides are given in the following below to help you find a satisfying university.

#### 1. Your Favorite Chinese City or University

If you prefer a certain Chinese city or university, you can just apply for it now. The details of China's cities can be browsed online or simply called our client service.

#### 2. Expenditures

Compared to Beijing, Shanghai, and some large seaside cities, living expenses of China's inland regions are relatively low. For example, Weifang, Xi'an, Chongqing, Shenyang, Wuhan, Dalian, and other cities are all well-matured with beautiful scenery and many famous universities. If you don't have a large budget, you can choose one city of this kind.

#### 3. University rankings

You can look over the rankings of China's universities on google by typing Chinese University Rankings or China's top universities.

#### 4. University Features and Expertise

If you want to learn a special major, you can refer to the universities' strong points. For example, Shandong University offers the largest number of language learning programs and other interdisciplinary studies in China. The university draws the support from her highly-qualified and well-recognized faculty and staff in teaching and research in the areas of foreign language studies, literature, linguistics, translation and culture studies.

There are a lot of English-taught programs, such as MBBS programs and Engineering programs for those who can't speak Chinese fluently.

#### 5. Acquaintances

You may choose a university because you have many fellow citizens there, so that you can adjust to the new environment quickly, but in this way, your Chinese will not be improved. Or if you want to challenge yourself and want to study in a university that doesn't have that many fellow citizens, you may feel alone at first, but you will make more Chinese friends and improve your Chinese level.

### Finding a suitable city

One big issue you may consider is the location where you will study. Different places suit different people, so it depends on what you're looking for. China's huge domain allows it to embrace great diversities in its cities. To find the most suitable place to start your life in China, EASY GLOBAL

#### TRAVEL provide you with following useful guidance:

#### **Recommended Cities**

The most popular Chinese cities among international students.

•	Beijing	•	Wuhan	•	Kunming
•	Qingdao	•	Chongqing	•	Shenzhen
•	Shanghai	•	Kaifeng	•	Soochow (Suzhou
•	Dalian	•	Nanjing	•	Changchun
•	Shenyang	•	Xi'an	•	Nanchang
•	Jinan	•	Chengdu	•	Wenzhou
•	Jinzhou	•	Changsha	•	Xuzhou
•	Fuzhou	•	Hangzhou	•	Yantai
•	Weifang	•	Harbin	•	Zhengzhou
•	Guangzhou	•	Ningbo	•	Zhenjiang

### **Expenses for Studying in China**

Compared to America, Canada, Europe, UK and other western countries, the expense for studying in China is relatively reasonable. The Chinese Ministry of Education attaches a tight regulation on Chinese universities' tuition to make it affordable for international students. Various scholarship plans provided by the government and schools also make it best-valued to study in the economically vibrant and culturally glamorous China. This passage will offer you a clear look at how much it cost to study in China.

#### Expenses List for International Students

#### **1. Application Expenses**

Universities' Application Fee	From 100 to 200 USD depending on schools and types of courses
EGT Processing Fee	50 to 100 USD. You can apply for up to 7 courses.

There are several ways you can choose to make the payment. You can check ways of payment and money matters for more details.

#### 2. Pre-departure Expenses

*Medical examination fee*: The Chinese government requires international students who wish to study in China for more than 6 months to do a medical examination. You are asked to present your medical examination record when applying for a Chinese student visa. Consult your local hospital to know the exact examination fee. In China, it usually costs around 60 USD to do the same medical examination in an official hospital. Do physical examination and get your Physical Examination Record will tell you more about Medical examination.

*Visa fee*:Differ from country to country; you can consult the nearest Chinese embassy for details.

*Air ticket*: Different airlines and countries have different prices, so please contact the local tickets office for details.

#### **3. University Expenses**

In order to register in your school, you are required to pay the following fees including tuition fee, accommodation fee, insurance fee and medical examination fee (if you are required to do it in a local hospital). The chart below shows the tuition of Chinese universities'.

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- With Some		Diploma	Bachelor	Master	PhD
Medical	English- Taught	No	1200-3000 USD/year	2500-5000 USD /year	3000-7000 USD/year
field	Chinese- Taught	About 1500 USD / year	About 1000- 3000 USD / year	About 2000-3500 USD / year	About 3000-5000 USD / year

Engineering	English- Taught	About 1000 USD / year	About 1200-2500 USD / year	About 2000-3500 USD / year	About 2000-6000 USD/ year
field	Chinese- Taught	About 1000 USD / year	About 1000- 2000 USD / year	About 1500-4000 USD / year	About 2000-5000 USD / year
Business &	English- Taught	About 1000 USD / year	About 1000- 4000 USD / year	About 3000-4000 USD / year	About 2500-6000 USD / year
Management field	Chinese- Taught	About 1000 USD / year	About 1100- 4000 USD / year	About 2000-3500 USD / year	About 2300-5000 USD / year

#### Reminder

*Medical field*: MBBS/MD (medicine), Pharmaceutical, BDS (Dental of Stomatology), TCM (traditional Chinese medicine), Nursing etc

*Engineering field*: B.Sc., B.E., M.Sc., and M.E. of Mechanical Engineering and Automation, Mining, Telecommunication, Computer software, Civil, Petroleum, Fishery etc.

Business & Management field: BBA(Bachelor of Business and Administration), MBA(Master of Business and Administration) (business management), BIT(Bachelor of International Trade), MIT(Master of International Trade), MIR(Master of International Relationship), MIE(Master of International Economics) etc.

Accommodation fee: 50-300 USD a person/ per month (depending on universities and types of rooms.)

*Insurance fee:* about 100 USD a year (Some universities require international students to buy themselves a specific insurance for safety consideration.)

Medical examination in China: 50 USD - 80 USD depending on different cities.

Residence permit: 60 USD - 150 USD depending on how long you will stay in China.

#### Living Expenses

The cost of living is relatively low in China. Daily commodities are all at very reasonable prices and you can live a rather comfortable life in China with a smaller budget. Generally speaking, living in the most modernized cities like Beijing and Shanghai can cost 500 USD a month while the expenses of living can be lower than 200 USD in some smaller cities such as Qingdao, Dalian, and Jinan etc. The table below generally shows prices of some items in the Chinese market.

Items	Average Price
Meal, Inexpensive Restaurant	3.34 USD
Meal for 2, Mid-range Restaurant, Three-course	6.56 USD
Domestic Beer (0.5 liter draught)	0.58 USD
Coke/Pepsi (0.33 liter bottle)	0.57 USD
Milk (regular), 1 liter	1.75 USD
Loaf of Fresh White Bread (500g)	1.29 USD
Eggs (12)	1.39 USD
Fresh Cheese (1kg)	10.94 USD
Chicken Breasts (Boneless, Skinless), (1kg)	3.40USD
Pack of Cigarettes (Marlboro)	2.15 USD
Taxi (5km within center)	2.52 USD
1 Pair of Levis 501	45.17 USD
1 Pair of Nike Shoes	56.85 USD
Fitness Club, Monthly Fee for 1 Adult	12.29 USD
Cinema, International Release, 1 Seat	10.35 USD

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# UPON ARRIVAL IN CHINA -WHAT TO DO NEXT?

# **Enrolment and Registration**

After you arrive in the school campus, you should **1st.** Do the Registration in Chinese University

**2nd.** Do the Temporary Residence Registration in the local authorities.

**3rd.** Apply and get your residence permit from the local authorities.

**NB:** If you hold an X visa (i.e. you are staying in China for longer than 6 months), you must then apply for a Residence Permit within 30 days of entering China. However, you don't really need to follow the 3rd step if you have a tourist visa, and your study-in-China Program is shorter than 30 days.

#### **1ST: Registration in Chinese University**

To register in the school, you should present some necessary documents. Actually these documents needed vary from university to university; here is some that are indispensable to all universities:

- Admission Letter /Notice
- Passport
- Registration Form of Temporary Residence
- Photocopies of your passport photo page, visa
- Passport-sized photos

• Fees for tuition and insurance (or a receipt if you've already paid)

#### 2ND: Temporary Residence Registration in the local authorities

If you choose to live on campus, your school will help you to register with the local authority. However, you should register by yourself accompanied by your landlord if you live off campus.

Please note that there are two separate residence-related documents whose official names are Registration Form of Temporary Residence and Residence Permit.

Registration Form of Temporary Residence is a small piece of paper proving that you have registered your address with the local police station (pài chū suǒ). If you choose to stay in the school or a hotel, you should get the Registration Form of Temporary Residence from the university or hotel. If you rent an apartment or stay with friends/family off campus, you should register at the local police station accompanied by the landlord, rental contract and your passport. And you are suggested to apply one within 24 hours after you arrive in China, and it is a prerequisite that you can get a Residence Permit.

# 3RD: Apply and get your resident permit from the local authorities.

A visa is an official and legal permit issued by the Chinese embassy which allows students to legally enter China. However, a residence permit is issued by the local Exit-Entry Administration Bureau as a representative for the Chinese Government to allow you to study in China during its valid duration. Usually, you should go through the following procedure to get a resident permit:

1. Have the temporary residence registration in local security bureau (24 hours within your arrival)

2. Do a physical examination in a local hospital or verify original physical examination record which you did in your country within 5 days after your arrival

3. Go to the local Exit-Entry Administration Bureau to apply for a resident permit

# **Accommodation**

#### Living on Campus

Life on campus is very convenient and safe. Most Chinese students will choose to live in the dormitories on campus because of its reasonable prices, complete facilities and safe surroundings. Most of China's universities provide international students dormitories for foreign students.

Usually there are single-room, double-room and threeroom dormitories for foreign students. The students can choose what they like. Most of the dormitories are equipped with necessary facilities including internet access, TV, basic furniture, toilet, telephone or even kitchens. Universities in the north also provide heaters in winter. As to the fees it is quite reasonable. However, the prices vary greatly from 20 RMB/day to 100 RMB/day determined by different universities and different types of dormitories.

Besides, you can get all kinds of services such as shopping, dining, laundry, entertainment, ATM etc while living on campus.

#### Living off campus

Most of the universities will allow foreign students to live off campus while you have to inform the university and get the permission from the university first before you make the arrangement. Some schools may have strict accommodation regulations for the sake of students' safety so you may be required to go through some official forms to get the permission for living off campus. However, some universities will not allow the international students to live off campus due to some security considerations, especially when you are in your first year or you're younger than 18 years old.

There are many ways for you to get housing information; you can check some renting websites, for example, <u>http://</u><u>www.thebeijinger.com/</u>. There are certain columns on the local newspaper for renting and you can also find something useful from the billboard on campus. Just be aware that most housing ads you find are posted by agents who may charge an agent fee when you sign the contract (typically one month's rent) and who may not speak English. The rents also vary a lot according to the location and condition of the apartment. If you want to rent an apartment at a reasonable price, you can turn to a letting agent or you can visit some house renting website. If you need help, please contact-us

Depending on different cities, here is the general rang of the price for renting:

- One-bedroom apartment: RMB 500-2500 per month
- Two-bedroom apartment: RMB 800-4500 per month
- Three-bedroom apartment: RMB 1000-7000 per month

What's more, the price varies depending on the condition of the apartment, facilities/furnishings, and especially the location.

#### Homestay/Au pair

It might be a little difficult for a foreign student to live in a totally new environment all by himself or herself, and it is not easy to find a perfect house or apartment either. As a matter of fact, we offer you a homestay/Au pair arrangement service for "foreign students". The Chinese meaning of Homestay is "Living in a local family"; it means foreigners live in typical Chinese families when they are studying, working or traveling in China. In this way, international students are able to know more about Chinese culture, customs and lifestyle. Besides, if you come to China to study Mandarin, to know about the real Chinese Culture, or to do an internship in China, a homestay/ Au pair program is the best plan of choice for you.

All the host families are well-chosen, thus they all have nice houses/apartments and are very kind-hearted. We conduct a thorough interview and security check, our hosts are particularly excited and welcoming toward foreigners. Students can have their private room with all the necessary appliances like Internet access, telephone, iron, etc. in a host family. As a fully integrated family member you will participate in the daily ins and outs of Chinese living including eating meals together, watching TV, and bargain shopping. Should you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to ask your family! They welcome questions from curious students and travelers. Our staff will also be available at all times to assist you if necessary.

The prices of living in a host family vary based on the house/apartment condition and relevant services and the type of your homestay/au pair. Generally speaking, it costs a foreign student RMB 50–150 per day to live with a local family. For any question you may have, do not hesitate to contact-us.

## **Currency of China**

Rénmínbì is the official currency of China. It is abbreviated as RMB, and the unit of Renminbi is yuán, Jiao and Fen. 1 yuan equals 10 jiao while 1 jiao equals 10 fen. The fen is rarely used nowadays. RMB is issued in the following denominations: one, five, ten, twenty, fifty and one hundred yuan; one, two and five jiao. Fen has almost disappeared, so the coins in circulation are one yuan, five jiao, and one jiao. Banknotes range from one yuan to one hundred yuan, and vary both in size and color. Currently, yuan is the base unit of RMB. It is used to denominate bills, and is the unit in which prices are measured. Local Chinese always use qián to refer to money the same way as Americans use bucks to mean dollars.

It's always a good idea to bring some cash when you first come to China. Bringing RMB (Chinese Yuan) would be the most convenient choice. Besides, you can either bring USD or EURO. The cash of USD or EURO can be exchanged into RMB easily at any branches of the Bank of China. You can even exchange your cash at the airports of Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Qingdao and some other cities for the branches of many official banks are always available there. Please note that your passport is requested every time for money exchange in China.

Although not every bank in your country can exchange the currency at a favorable and official rate, there are some formal and standard banks which offer the service properly in every country. Namely, Standard Chartered Bank, Bank of China, Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) are some of the best choices for international currency exchange and oversea money transfer; they have many branches in most of the countries in the world. You can exchange or transfer your money through these banks without any hesitation.

ATMs can help you access your money more easily in China. ATMs can be found easily in Chinese cities with many of them accepting international bank cards. The most reliable way to get money in China is to use a bank card linked to an international network like Visa and MasterCard, though the bank charges you a small processing fee for international money withdrawal. Credit cards are widely used at formal hotels, brandy restaurants, large department stores as well as franchised convenience stores in Chinese cities; however, there are many markets or stores offering good-quality stuff at lower price but they don't accept your credit cards. The same story is with Traveler's Cheques so don't rely too much on them.

Most students asked themselves, how to pay fees after they have reached university? Definitely, it would be the most secure and convenient way to pay your tuition fees and accommodation fees before your departure to your university's international account for that the university will arrange everything for you fully and completely in advance. Of course, there are also cases that some students would like to pay the fees to the university after your arrival in China. About making the payment on arrival, you have to remember that most Chinese universities only accept payment in cash (RMB), so please do the money exchange before your registration.

#### Ways of payment

*In Cash:* This way is accepted and welcomed by all the Chinese universities. It is one of the best choices and will bring you no troubles.

*Traveler's cheques*: Some universities may accept traveler's cheques. Be sure to contact-us or check with the school in advance. You can also cash your traveler's cheques (sold by international commercial banks and traveler's cheques companies) at a branch of the Bank of China if they are refused by the school.

*Credit cards:* Some universities accept payment by credit card, but a service fee of 3%-4% will be charged. Most credit cards with international networks like AmericanExpress/ Visa/MasterCard/Cirrus can withdraw money from Chinese ATMs who accept international cards. A small fee will be charged when using this service.

Western Union: Western Union transfer allows instant money wiring to and from 100 countries. It only takes less than 1 hour for you to receive your money from most of the countries in the world through Western Union. The service charge is much higher.

#### **BIG NB:**

 All fares will be calculated according to the daily exchange rate to RMB. Currently it is 6.5 RMB≈1 USD

2. Please note that there are some cases when international bank cards are not accepted by Chinese banks because they don't have any cooperation. Check with your credit/debit card provider for specifics before leaving your home country. Notify your bank that you'll be in China because foreign banks sometimes freeze bank cards if they see unexpected overseas service to prevent fraud. The late payment of tuition fee may lead to the suspicion from your university about your financial status thus they may not support you to get your residence permit. Then it will be an illegal stay for you if you can't get a resident permit. Please be aware of the deadline of tuition payment.

3. Also, many banks in China have a limit on how much money an international bank card can withdraw a day so please plan ahead and inform the bank the exact amount that you are going to withdraw at least one day in advance. So that they can prepare for you. Lastly, be careful while using the West Union because a slight mistake of spelling will lead to the failure of money transition.

# It's convenient and necessary to have a Chinese bank account.

For international students who want to stay in China for a long term education, it is wise to open a Chinese bank account. Here are the advantages to have a Chinese bank account:

1. Chinese bank cards are accepted throughout the country and cash can be withdrawn without a fee.

2. If you lose your card or there is a problem with your account you can fix the issue efficiently by yourself rather than having to make an international phone call to your families.

3. Your parents can transfer money to your Chinese account (if you have opened the international service). Meanwhile you can also withdraw a big amount of money in RMB directly from your Chinese account, if you have made an appointment in advance with the bank. However, the Chinese bank may have problems with an international card to withdraw the RMB directly if there is foreign currency in your account.

Generally speaking, there are two types of banks in

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China. Firstly, the state-owned commercial banks such as the Bank of China (BOC), the China Construction Bank (CCB), the Agricultural Bank of China (ABC), and the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC) etc. City commercial banks are founded on the basis of urban credit cooperatives. Secondly, there are increasing numbers of foreign banks opening branches in China nowadays, namely, the HSBC, Citibank and Standard Chartered Bank are the most common ones.

Opening a bank account in China - especially a Chinese yuan-only account - is a very straightforward process. Banks like the Bank of China, China Construction Bank and the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China have branches all over the country. Just go to the bank you'd like to get an account with and present your valid passport and fill out an application form. The entire process takes about 30- 45 minutes.

#### Fake Money

Fake money is relatively common in China so it's important that you can distinguish it from real money. You can find detailed instructions on how to distinguish the fake money in all Chinese banks.

To avoid loss caused by fake money, the following tips are useful:

**1.** Refuse to accept fake bills on the spot when someone gives it to you, otherwise there is no chance to get your real money back.

2. If you receive fake money from an ATM (though rarely happens), call the service number without leaving the security camera of the ATM's. The bank won't replace your fake money if you have left the front of the ATM, because they will assume that you exchange the money.

3. Don't attempt to use fake money because it is legally able to sequester the bills and hand them to a bank by anyone who notices it is fake money.

4. Don't feel shy to check about the money you received as most Chinese will do the same when you hand them money. It is not offensive if you refuse to take money that is torn or in very bad shape, as this kind of money may be refused by others and it will be difficult to spend.

### ABOUTUS

### EASY GLOBAL TRAVEL (EGT) FAMILY, SUPPORT & CONTACT

EGT –Easy Global Travel is an official gateway system for International students to apply for first-rate universities in China. Our motto is : Efficient - Accurate - Safe. This is to say "WE FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CARE !"

All EGT staff members are highly-qualified and motivated to offer a whole package of the most efficient, accurate and safe application-related services to help International students directly get admissions into China's top universities and colleges.

With more than 270,000 in 2021 of foreign students studying in China, the demands of International students for studying in China have become diversified. An online platform is in urgent need to offer the most efficient, accurate and safe service for International students to search for suitable programs and to get admissions to leading universities.

Get to know ...

CREPIN C. DIFFO, Founder and Chief Executive Officer (C.E.O)

Crepin DIFFO founded EASY GLOBAL TRAVEL in

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October, 2021, since which, it has been engaged in Study-In-China Admission Service. As CEO, He is in charge of company operations and is responsible for management decision-making. Also, He supervises communication and collaboration with global partners, including world-class universities and high schools as well as highly-professional education consultancies and agencies.

His colorful experiences and successful pathway in China(since 2014) pave the way for his deeper understanding and original appreciation of higher education, especially in the field of studying abroad in China. he knows precisely everything that International students expect and need to know about studying in China, and helps them to become International talents and even indispensable pillars in the world.

#### EGT Advisor Team

EGT Cooperation & Admission Team EGT Student Care & IT Team

Experience wonderful moments with EGT family

You can easily get all the most useful information by requesting a FREE CONTACT US AT <u>contacteasyglobaltravel@</u> gmail.com

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### **POPULAR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

**Q.** Is studying or living in China helpful for my future career development and how is it more interesting being there than elsewhere?

**A.** Located in the east of the world, China is a country with a long history and splendid civilization. Studying in China is the best way for you to fully enjoy this charming and mysterious country. Here you will start a journey of brand-new exploration: experience its unique mix of ancient and modern civilization, enjoy its scenic beauty, study its profound culture as well as making friends with students from all over the world.

Known by all, China is the world's second largest economy after the United States. It is the world's fastest-growing major economy, with average growth rates of 10% during the past 30 years. China is also the largest exporter and second largest importer of goods in the world.

There is no doubt that China's increasing influence as a global economic power will benefit all the students who study here. Huge demands of Chinese domestic market, numerous world's top companies such as General Electric, Exxon Mobil, Volkswagen and Siemens etc have made a strategic move to doing business in China with many of them site their Asia-Pacific headquarters in Beijing and Shanghai. Studying in China will offer you a chance to join these International groups and realize yourself in the global work market. Speaking Chinese certainly gives you more options, therefore, studying in China is the best way to learn Chinese and start your fantastic career.

Moreover, compared to some European countries, America, Japan, South Korea and other Asian countries, the cost of studying in China is much more reasonable. The tuition for English taught MBBS, Business and Engineering course etc. is only about 900 to 3500 US dollars a year.

You can live a content life with a small budget in China. In cities like Beijing or Shanghai, a rent for a small apartment will be at least 100 to 300 US dollars per month. In small cities and towns, housing prices are much lower, for example, a rent for an apartment with two beds could be 80 US dollars per month in the city of Qingdao, Dalian, Nanjing, Changsha, Weifang and so on. A meal at a local restaurant for one person could only cost 1-3 US dollars. A good pair of shoes might be about 15-30 US dollars at a local market. Taking a bus is usually about 10 cents, and a subway ticket in Shanghai and Beijing is about 20 cents.

# **Q.** How much should I pay for the university's application fee?

**A.** You have to pay the application fee so that the university can process your application.

The application fee of a Chinese university is usually between 80-300 USD depending on schools and types of course. Since Chinese universities only accept payment in CNY, EGT helps you convert the foreign exchange to the university.

#### **Q.** How can I choose a course to start?

**A.** Deciding what to study in China requires lots of research. Generally speaking, you may have to think about how to choose an ideal course, find the right university, and choose a suitable city. We help you in making the right choice through advice and student story experiences.

One big thing you may consider is the location where you will study. Different places suit different people, so it depends what you're looking for. China's huge domain allows it to embrace great diversities in its cities.

Choosing which university or college to study in can be a life-changing decision. Do as much research as possible so that you choose the right institutes for the right reasons.

# **Q**. When to apply, What are the general starting dates for different courses?

A. Chinese universities usually provide courses starting in autumn or spring. The fall semester normally starts in September while the spring semester is in late February. However, most of the English Taught degree courses start in autumn while only a few of them start in spring semester. Check each 'course details' for the specific starting date. You need to submit your application at least two months before the course starts and make sure you sent it early as vacancies may be limited.

You can <u>contact-us</u> for advice on when to apply for courses in the fall semester, spring semester, application deadline for studying in China, deferring enrollment etc..

# Q. What supporting documents/materials are necessary for application?

**A.** Usually, copies of your passport, transcript, and graduation certificate are required by most of the universities and courses. They're basic documents for application. Extra documents depending on course/degree you're applying, you may add; Results of HSK, Results of IELTS or TOEFL or a simple certificate proven that you studied english during your previous academic courses, Results of Medical Examination, Recommendation letters, Financial Guarantee letter, Personal statement/Resume/CV, and guardian's letter.

**Q**. What are the top ten universities offering Chinese language course?

Name of University	City
Jinan University	Jinan

Hubei normal university	Huangshi
Shandong university of light industry	Jinan
East China Normal University	Shanghai
Donghua University	Shanghai
Huazhong Normal University	Wuhan
Shangdong University	Jinan
Zhongnan University	Changsha
Harbin University of Science and Technology	Harbin
Wuyi University	Jiangmen
Bohai University	Jinzhou

**Q**. What are the entry requirements of Chinese language courses and What's the difference between a long-term language course and a short-term language course ?

**A.** In general, universities offering the long-term language courses or the short-term language courses will accept students with any educational background. So the entry requirements are relatively loose.

First, their durations are different. Generally speaking, we can divide them into two kinds: the long-term language course, the short-term language course. The former one will last about one semester or one year and the latter one will be about 4 weeks or 8 weeks.

Second, their course arrangements are not the same. The long-term language course is designed for students who plan to spend an exclusive period learning Chinese to improve the overall level, while the short term language course is designed to arouse students' interest of studying Chinese in a short time and improve their Chinese communication skills.

**Q.** What kinds of courses can I choose to study in China? **A.** There are many popular courses available for you to study in China.

Here are some popular courses in China: Mechanics, Architecture Engineering, Telecommunication Engineering, Chemical and Biological Engineering, Traffic and Transport Engineering, Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering, Architecture Design, Urban Planning, Civil Engineering, Petroleum Engineering, Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering, Telecommunication Engineering, Electrical Engineering, English-taught MBBS, International Economics and Trade, Business Programs, etc.

#### **Q.** Are Chinese citizens friendly?

**A.** China is a nation of etiquette and Chinese people are warm-hearted and hospitable. The renowned four books and five classics in ancient China and the popularity of Confucianism had endowed the nation with a natural of comity and a consciousness of humility. As was written in the Analects of Confucius 'isn't it a great joy to have friends from afar', foreigners who come to China always find them being welcomed by the local neighbors.

Being one of the permanent members of the United Nations, the Chinese government has constantly appealed its moderate foreign policy which has reached a consensus among numerous countries. Acting to push on the world peace, China has actively developed good-neighboring relations of friendship with the surrounding countries and become one of the safest countries for studying abroad.

# **Q.** I am not rich. Are there any universities in China suitable for people like me?

**A.** Compared to Beijing, Shanghai, and some large seaside cities, living expenses of China's inland regions are relatively low. For example, Weifang, Xi'an, Chongqing, Shenyang, Wuhan, Dalian, and other cities are all well-matured with beautiful scenery and many famous universities. If you don't



have a large budget, you can choose one city of this kind.

Q. How can I ensure safety when I want to study in China?

**A.** Indeed, it is both exciting and challenging to study in China and a totally unacquainted country like China may leave you with lots of uncertainties. For international students coming to study in China, safety is one of the essential factors that matters. As a professional organization specialized in helping foreign students study, work, and live in China, EGT indeed concerns the safety issues of every aspect regarding studying, working and living in China.

We help you consider the quality of your future university, secure your on-line application process; take special care of your first 72-hours; and provide emergency assistance to your campus on/off life.

EGT do help you in: Secure your Application, Examine the quality of your future university, Special care of your first 72 hours, start your campus on/off life, Transferring, Internship, Insurance Clearing, Airport Pickup, Advice to make, gain, spent and save money, etc.

#### Q. How to get a proper visa to study/live in China?

**A.** The very first thing you need to do before leaving for studying in China is to get an X Visa (Student Visa).

**1.** Receive soft copy/original copy admission letter and JW202 form from EGT Team.

2. Get your physical examination documents signed by a chinese doctor + other required documents asked by your local embassy of China. For example; Proof of financial means, including proof of scholarship, bank statements, employment status and income of guarantor.

**3.** Go to the nearest Chinese embassy or consulate to apply for an X/F/L visa.

X visa (student visa) are issued to those coming to China for study or an internship for longer than six months.

It is better for you to apply for an X visa for studying in China because only by holding an X visa is a 100% guarantee that you will get a residence permit from the local government which allows you to stay in China legally. If you cannot receive the original Admission Letter and JW202 Form before the starting date of your new semester, EGT will tell you to apply for an L visa instead.

L visa (tourist visa) is issued to those coming to China for sightseeing, visiting family or friends, or for other personal affairs.

Please be sure to contact EGTin advance to make sure there will not be any problem for you to come to China to study with an L visa. According to current regulations and laws in China, the option of using an L visa to study in

China is only available for students from North America, South America, Europe, East Asia and SouthEast Asia etc. It will cause you some trouble to use the L visa if you blindly apply for it. Make sure you understand the terms and conditions of using an L visa or you may be expelled because of no Residence Permit.

For those who come to study in China with an L visa, EGT or your university staffs may help you do a visa conversion

at the local police station when you arrive at school.

**F** visa (usually known as a business visa) is issued to those who are invited to China for a visit, an investigation, a lecture, to do business, scientific-technological and culture exchanges, short-term advanced studies or internship for a period of no longer than six months.

Please do not apply for this type of visa for long term education in China. Practically, Chinese Exit-Entry Administration Bureaus usually regard an F visa holder as a business visitor and they don't offer Residence Permit to foreigners holding an F visa once in china. Q. What things are commonly necessary for entering any country?

A. These things are essential when you entering into the country:

• Important documents (passport, visa, itinerary, plane tickets, related health certificate)

• Photocopy of your passport information pages (Also leave a copy at home)

• Travel book & map of the host city

• International calling card and access numbers for the countries where you will travel

• 500-1000 CNY in cash when you first arrive for transport and check-in

Money belt

• Address and phone number of your university admission office

Umbrella/Sunglasses

• Clothing/shoes (Consider both the physical & social climate, Both T-shirt and warm coat might be necessary while you are living in China, check this website to see the weather details in different cities of China http://www.weather.com. cn/english/)

**NB**: You should keep your money, important documents, valuables, medication, a change of clothing and some toiletries in your carry-on in case your luggage gets lost.

# Q. Can I apply for Chinese Government Scholarships or other scholarship programs ?

A. In order to strengthen mutual understanding and friendship between the Chinese people and people from the rest of the world, the Chinese Ministry of Education offers a variety of scholarship schemes to sponsor International students and scholars undertake studies and research in Chinese institutions of higher education.

Application dates vary depending on the type of scholarships. For detailed information, please <u>contact-us</u> to apply now.

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