

# SHANDONG UNIVERSITY EXCHANGE PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

(2023-2024 Academic Year)

## SDU at a Glance

### 1. Long history

Shandong University (SDU) is one of the initiative universities of modern Chinese higher education. Its main body, Shandong Imperial College (Shandong Da Xue Tang), established in 1901, was the second national university in China.



### 2. Academic excellence

Shandong University is one of the top-ranked universities in China. According to the latest Essential Science Indicators (ESI) data, Shandong University has 5 disciplines among the top 1‰ in the world, namely chemistry, engineering, clinical medicine, materials science, and pharmacology and toxicology, and 19 disciplines among the top 1%. At present, Shandong University has 12 state scientific research platforms, 4 key social science research bases approved by the Ministry of Education and a large number of provincial scientific research centers.



### 3. Multicultural campus and beautiful scenery

Shandong University endeavors to foster a vibrant community with a breadth of experience across national boundaries, cultural backgrounds, academic interests, and more. By travelling to different campuses, students can enjoy different landscapes, such as natural springs in Jinan, beautiful coastlines in Qingdao and Weihai, and Mount Lao in Qingdao, where you can find the co-existence of Taoism and Buddhism. Shandong Province, the very home of Shandong University, is the birthplace of Confucius, where China's traditional culture and long-established values are on full display.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

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## University Website:

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<http://www.en.sdu.edu.cn/>

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# IMPORTANT DATES

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## Nomination/Application Timelines

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	Fall semester	Spring semester
<b>Semester Period</b>	3 September, 2023 ~ 21 January, 2024	25 February ~ 7 July, 2024
<b>Nomination Starts</b>	March 1, 2023	September 1, 2023
<b>Nomination Deadline</b>	May 20, 2023	November 20, 2023
<b>Application Starts</b>	April 1, 2023	October 1, 2023
<b>Application Deadline</b>	May 30, 2023	November 30, 2023

# APPLICATION

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## Number of Exchange Students

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- Per the student exchange agreement between two universities

- Exchange programs are open to undergraduates and graduate students.

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## **Exchange Period**

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- One or two semesters
- Enrollment is possible in the spring semester or fall semester

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## **Entry Requirement**

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There is no requirement for studying Chinese language.

For academic courses, students must meet the following requirements:

1. GPA: 70/100, 2.3/4.0
2. Year of study
  - At the undergraduate level, applicants should have completed the equivalent of at least one year of full-time study in the program in which they are enrolled at their home university.
  - At the graduate level, applicants should have completed at least the first semester of the master's or doctoral program in which they are enrolled at their home university.
3. Applicants must be enrolled as regular students in a partner university and not have graduated from their home university before completing the study at SDU.
4. Language proficiency
  - Chinese-taught academic courses: HSK 4 (210 points and above). Non-native Chinese speakers must provide valid and acceptable Chinese Proficiency proof.
  - English-taught academic courses
    - No proof of English proficiency is required, but it is strongly recommended for students to reach the level of TOEFL iBT 80/IELTS 6.

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## **Nomination**

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Please nominate potential candidates through the link to be shared with you every March and September.

Deadline: **May 20** for Fall semester, **November 20** for Spring semester

**Please kindly note that email nominations will NOT be accepted.**

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## **Application Period**

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Exchange students should apply through SDU online application system.

- Fall semester: March 1 to May 30
- Spring semester: September 1 to November 30

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## **Online Application**

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- Online application portal: <http://www.apply.sdu.edu.cn/>
  1. Create an account: click "Register" to register with your email and nationality
  2. Activate the account.
  3. Log into the application system. Select "Exchange Students," and you will see a list of programs. Choose the one that suits you most based on your intended study duration and instruction language, and then start the application.

Notes:

All the exchange programs in the application system are listed under the College of International Education. Admission Office will forward the applicants' materials to a relevant school/college according to the information given in the nomination form, transcript, and study plan for further approval.

4. Fill in the application form.
5. Upload the following documents:
  - Passport-sized photo
  - Information page of your passport (including photo, name, date of birth, place of birth, county of citizenship)
  - Official up-to-date transcripts in English/Chinese issued by your home university
  - Nomination letter from the International Office in English/Chinese
  - Personal Statement including study plan in English/Chinese

- Physical Examination Record for Foreigner (only required for more than six-month exchange)
- Proof of language proficiency (if applicable)

## STUDY AREA & COURSE REGISTRATION

### Language of Instruction

Most courses are taught in Chinese. English-taught courses are available in the following fields of study.

Undergrad-level courses	Grad-level courses
Economics	International Trade
Finance	China Studies
Machine Design, Manufacturing and Automation	International Relations
Biomedical Engineering	Business Administration
English Language and Literature	Project Management

Please refer to our website for more information

- [Undergraduates](#)
- [Graduates](#)

### Course Load

- Undergraduates  
3 to 5 courses per semester (2 or 3 credits per course)
- Graduates  
Minimum study load is 1 postgraduate course or carrying out research with the consent of an SDU supervisor.

### List of Schools

- School/college list: <https://www.en.sdu.edu.cn/info/1162/4380.htm>
- Shandong University has campuses in Jinan, Qingdao and Weihai. Please confirm the location of the school/college you intend to apply for.

- Please be noted that this information sheet **DOES NOT apply to Weihai Campus.**

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### **Restricted Study Areas**

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Medicine/Dentistry/Nursing/Pharmacy

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### **Application Results**

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- Fall Semester: mid-to-late June
- Spring Semester: mid-to-late December

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### **Course Registration & Drop/Add**

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The second week of each semester

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### **Academic Transcript**

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- Official transcripts are usually issued in late March for fall semester and late September for spring semester.
- Department of International Affairs will post official English and Chinese transcripts to home universities.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

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### **On-Campus Accommodation**

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SDU offer support in helping students to find on-campus housing.

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### **Off-Campus Accommodation**

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We strongly encourage students to live on campus. However, if students do wish to stay off-campus, they can rent a room with the consent of the host school/college.

## **COSTS**

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## Tuition Fee

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The tuition fee of Shandong University will be waived for exchange students conforming with the exchange agreements. Students shall pay tuition fees to their home university.

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## Accommodation

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1,200 – 1,500 RMB per month

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## Living Cost

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1,000 – 2,000 RMB per month, depending on individual lifestyle

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# VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT

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- Admitted students must apply for a study visa at the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in their countries of residence with the Admission Notice and JW201/JW202 Form.
- International students who will study in China for less than 6 months should apply for the X2 Visa.
- International students who will study in China for more than 6 months are required to obtain the X1 visa.
- To stay in China legally, it is mandatory for **X1 holders** to apply for the Residence Permit within 30 days of arrival in China.

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## Medical Insurance

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- According to the regulations of the Chinese Ministry of Education, international students coming to China must purchase medical insurance in Chinese Mainland.
- The medical insurance fee is 400 RMB/semester/person.
- Students who have not purchased medical insurance will not be registered. Please log in to <http://www.lxbx.net> for insurance contents and claims procedures.