



北京師範大學
BEIJING NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Information Sheet

for Incoming Exchange Students

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Academic Calendar

Autumn Semester	Registration: Early September 2026 Classes (Exams) Ends: Mid-January 2027
Spring Semester	Registration: Mid-February 2027 Classes (Exams) Ends: Mid-July 2027

Nomination and Application

Study Duration	One Semester or Full Year	
Course Load	- The average workload for students at BNU is approximately 15-18 credits per semester. Full-time students typically enroll in 3-5 courses per semester, depending on the year of study and academic level. - Exchange students must take at least 6 credits and no more than 26 credits per semester. 1 BNU credit = 16 academic hours (45 minutes); Most of our courses are worth 2 to 4 credits.	
Academic Requirement	A minimum GPA of 3.0 / 4.0	
Nomination Method	A Nomination Form will be sent to the point-of-contact via email close to the nomination period.	
Nomination Deadline	Autumn Semester	15 th April
	Spring Semester	15 th October
Application Period	Autumn Semester	1 st April-15 th May
	Spring Semester	15 th October-15 th November
Application and Admission	Student Application Portal: https://international.bnu.edu.cn/user/login How to apply: https://admission-is.bnu.edu.cn/english/onlineapplication/applicationguidance/index.html - Exchange students are exempt from Application fee. - When students apply online, they are required to fill in the information of their parents as financial supporter and guarantor in China. - If there are any questions during the application process, please contact our Admission Team at nondegree@bnu.edu.cn.	
Scholarships for Which Exchange Students are Eligible to Apply	Students need to apply the scholarships directly following the guide below: Chinese Government Scholarship-Type A https://admission-is.bnu.edu.cn/english/international/chineseovernment/typebilateral/index.html International Chinese Language Teacher https://admission-is.bnu.edu.cn/english/international/internationalchinese/index.html Beijing Government Scholarship (only for applicants with a study period of one academic year and an average score of 80/100 or above) https://admission-is.bnu.edu.cn/english/international/beijinggovernmentscholarshipforinternational/index.html	
Restrictions	- All students shall be registered with one academic school. Cross-school course selection is permitted only if most of credits are obtained from one academic school. - Exchange students admitted under institutional-level agreements may select courses across different schools. School-level exchange students are not eligible for cross-school course enrollment. - Students who intend to select both Chinese-taught and English-taught courses must submit valid language proficiency certificates for both Chinese and English. - Students registered in the Chinese Language Programme can only study at the School of	

	International Chinese Language Education and are not eligible to select courses offered by other academic schools. - Applicants for the exchange study are required to have relevant prior knowledge and study experience in a subject field and must have completed at least one semester of study at the home university. We do not recommend that final-year students submit applications for exchange study. - Can only accept non-Chinese citizen.
Transcript of Records	Transcripts are sent to students and the home university in PDF format by the end of March (for the Autumn semester exchange) or by the end of September (for the Spring semesters and Full Years exchange). Hard copies are posted to the university address upon request.

Programme Information

Programme Type	- Chinese Language Programme - Undergraduate Credit Programme (General Advanced Studies Student) - Graduate Credit Programme (Senior Advanced Studies Student)	
Chinese Language Programme	Introduction	- This programme is designed for International Students, and different levels of Chinese language classes will be provided, ranging from beginners to advanced. After registration, students will take a placement test to determine their appropriate class. - Students will be enrolled in the School of International Chinese Language Education and are NOT eligible to select courses offered by other academic schools.
	Study Level	Undergraduate / Postgraduate
	Language Requirements	None
	Course Information	Check here
	Application Materials	- Completed BNU Application Form for International Students. (Signed and send it to nondegree@bnu.edu.cn). - Certificate of Enrollment at the home university (Chinese or English). - Official Academic Transcript (Chinese or English). - Copy of passport ID page.
Undergraduate Credit Programme (General Advanced Studies Student)	Introduction	- For Chinese-taught programmes: Students can only take undergraduate courses and choose all or most of their courses from one academic school. - For English-taught programmes: students can choose any courses from the listed English course catalogue. Students will be enrolled in one academic school where they can choose all or most of their courses. - All exchange students can choose one Chinese language course (6 credits) for free at the School of International Chinese Language Education.
	Study Level	Undergraduate
	Language Requirements	For Chinese-taught programmes: HSK 5 with 180 points or above (except for <i>Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Language</i> programme, which requires HSK 4 180 points or above)

		For English-taught programme: A minimum score of TOEFL 80/ IELTS 6 or above (Entry requirements may vary by course and can be found in the <i>English-Taught Course List</i>)
	Course Information	- For Chinese-taught programmes: Check here - For English-taught programmes: Check here
	Application Materials	- Completed BNU Application Form for International Students. (Signed and send it to nondegree@bnu.edu.cn). - Certificate of Enrollment at the home university (Chinese or English). - Official Academic Transcript (Chinese or English). - One Recommendation Letter. - Copy of Chinese or English proficiency certificate. - Copy of passport ID page.
Graduate Credit Programme (Senior Advanced Studies Student)	Introduction	- For Chinese-taught programmes: Students can only take postgraduate courses and choose all or most of their courses from one academic school. - For English-taught programme: students can choose any courses from listed English course catalogue. Students will be enrolled in one academic school where they can choose all or most of their courses. - All exchange students can choose one Chinese language course (6 credits) for free at the School of International Chinese Language Education.
	Study Level	Postgraduate
	Language Requirements	- For Chinese-taught programmes: HSK 5 with 195 points or above - For English-taught Programmes: A minimum score of TOEFL 80/ IELTS 6 or above (Entry requirements may vary by course and can be found in the <i>English-Taught Course List</i>)
	Course Information	- For Chinese-taught programmes: Check here - For English-taught programmes: Check here
	Application Materials	- Completed BNU Application Form for International Students (Signed and send it to nondegree@bnu.edu.cn). - Certificate of Enrollment at the home university (Chinese or English). - Official Academic Transcript (Chinese or English). - One Recommendation Letter. - Copy of Chinese or English proficiency certificate. - Copy of passport ID page.

Accommodation

Student Dormitory	• Student will be provided with instructions on how to book student dormitory once accepted onto the programme. The student ID number is required for booking. • BNU provides on campus student dormitory for exchange students. Places in the dormitory are limited and we disseminate them on first come first served basis, so early accommodation application is required. • Usually, students are allowed to move into on-campus housing 1 week before the Registration Day.
Types and Fees	Information on on-campus accommodation: http://iso.bnu.edu.cn/en/accommodation?cid=13&pid=3

Pre-Departure

Visa Procedures	• Exchange students need to apply for X1 (long term/ more than 180 days) or X2 (short term/ less than 180 days) Visa. Other types of visas will not be accepted at registration. • Those who hold an X1 Visa are required to apply for a Student Residence Permit within 30 days of entering China. International students should apply for a Student Visa at the Chinese Embassy or Consulate in their respective countries and provide admission materials from BNU as well as any other documents requested by the Embassy or Consulate during the application. • To learn more about the Chinese Embassies or Consulates in your countries, please visit the official website of Chinese Foreign Diplomacy on http://www.fmprc.gov.cn.
Insurance Required	• As required by relevant national regulations, international students must purchase group insurance from Ping'an Insurance Company for studying in China before registration. Please note that other types of insurance will not be accepted at registration. • Scholarship's students whose letter of admission indicates insurance coverage are not required to purchase insurance.
Physical Examination Required	Students holding X1 visas in China are generally required to have a physical examination at a designated hospital either in home country or upon arrival in China.
Students Supports	• For any questions related to online application and admission process, please contact our Admission Team, Ms. WANG Xiaoxuan at nondegree@bnu.edu.cn. • The International Students Office is responsible for managing registration, visa matters, house booking, and organising student activities for all international students at BNU. For further information regarding these matters, please contact Ms. SI Meng at chinese@bnu.edu.cn. • Each academic school at BNU has an international coordinator designated as a point-of-contact for study abroad students to assist with academic related questions. The international coordinator approves student's courses selections on our online system. • Counselling and mental health service: Help with personal via confidential individual appointment (English service available).