2017 INTERNATIONAL CAMPUS

WELCOME TO CHINA STUDIES

INSTITUTE OF CHINA STUDIES
ABOUT

ZJU and the International Campus

Founded in 1897, Zhejiang University (ZJU) has remained one of mainland China’s top 5 universities for more than a decade. Formerly known as Qiushi Academy, it is one of the most ancient and renowned institutions of higher learning in the country. This is a result of ZJU’s success in maintaining its eminent academic level with a wide range of discipline from engineering and medicine to humanities and arts. More than 47,000 students attend ZJU each year, which boasts 7 campuses with each of their area of expertise, namely: Zijingang, Yuquan, Xixi, Huajiachi, Zhijiang, Zhuoshan and the newly constructed Haining International Campus.

Haining International Campus opened its doors for the first 90 students in September 2016, a number which ZJU expects to grow immensely during the next 5 years. To further the development of China's relationship with other foreign countries, ZJU will cooperate with the world’s top universities and disciplines in joint programs. Currently 3 educational institutes have been incorporated into the International Campus, which are Zhejiang University-University of Edinburgh Institute(ZJUE), Zhejiang University-University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Institute(ZJUI), and the Institute of China Studies(ICS).
WHY
a Master in China Studies (MCS)

As China continues to advance itself as a global frontrunner in international relations with projects such as the One Belt, One Road, there is also an increasing demand for people who can understand and work with China on a professional level. In 2008 ZJU became the first university in mainland China to grant a Master's Degree in China Studies. Since then the program has been established as the Institute of China Studies due to its success for graduating more than 380 students from 53 different countries as Masters of China Studies.

ICS places great effort in providing high academic courses with professors from various departments that bring with them years of teaching experience both inside and outside of China. China Studies at ZJU is a full-English interdisciplinary program that offers graduate students with different academic background the possibility of individualizing their education on China issues. Students will also receive research and practicum experience through internships and field trips provided by the ICS. Lectures and practices combined with intensive mandarin Chinese language courses will equip the students with the necessary tools to engage, experience, and work independently in 21st century China.
PROGRAM

We offer 2017

The ICS offers a two-year length Master of China Studies Degree divided into two types of programs: the one-year stay joint-program for graduates from ZJU’s partner universities and the two-years stay full-program for graduated seeking to enroll independently.

Graduates on both programs will study core classes from the following 3 modules: History & Civilization, Society & Life, and Transformation & Development. To obtain the degree a completion of minimum of 24-credits(one-year) or 29-credits(two-years) courses and lectures are required. This also includes the final research thesis of no less than 12,000 words approved by the China Studies Program’s Committee. An academic year last from September to July. The joint-program is a 10-month course with further work on the thesis over the period of the second academic year.

China Studies at ZJU is designed to allow graduates acquire the knowledge of modern Chinese business, media, policy, communication, culture and arts. Proficiency in mandarin Chinese is essential for anyone who wants to understand China. Alongside core classes the ICS will provide intensive language courses both elementary and intermediate levels.

History & Civilization puts ancient Chinese culture and tradition into a modern interpretation by instructing students in the fundamental classics of Chinese philosophy and civilization periods. Students will go through extensive literature that provide them with proper background knowledge and comprehensive understanding of contemporary Chinese ideology. Students will be able to analyze the role that history, heritage, and religion have in modern China through class lectures and field trips.

Society & Life approaches the social scientific study of modern China from a cross-cultural perspective. Students will develop competencies in research methods and critical analysis of sources from the disciplines of anthropology and sociology. This enable students to conduct empirical research for their theses when doing fieldwork in different institutions either in rural or urban China. Hereby also deepens students’ understanding of media, news, and changing trends of Chinese livelihood.

Transformation & Development introduces the political and economic changes that have impacted contemporary China since the reforms in 1978. Subsequently, modern Chinese policies will be taught to students that will provide them with theoretical knowledge on the structure and character of Chinese governmental operations within a range of areas. The students will learn to develop case studies to analyze the consequences of China’s economic development through inter-disciplinary approaches.
REQUIREMENTS

Academic Requirements

Students are expected to work independently, organized and in a disciplined manner to fulfill their commitment as a future expert on China. Thereby demonstrating a reflective and professional mindset that can properly work and study China issues. Upon entry for the Master’s at ICS, students are normally required to hold or have achieved the following:

- At minimum a Bachelor degree in China Studies or an equivalent degree that can further be applied through your studies at ICS
- Evidence demonstrating English proficiency (if from a non-English speaking country) otherwise an English test is required.

Scholarship Requirements

ZJU provides scholarships to students who fulfill the necessary requirements (can be applied for in addition to the Chinese government scholarship). The scholarship covers the following: tuition waiver, free accommodation on campus, monthly stipend, and medical insurance. To obtain the scholarship applicants are obliged to go through the following procedure:

- Provide a personal statement, no less than a 800 word, introducing your experience and observations of China, what area particularly interest you and why, potential research, and your future career
- An interview to assess your qualifications and commitments for following and finishing your studies at ICS.
CAMPUS LIFE

Haining International Campus offers state-of-the-art facilities to make students’ learning and life experience at ICS more convenient and satisfying. With 3 cafeterias, coffee shops, convenient stores, multifunctional classrooms, and all new recreational facilities, the Campus is a place where students can cultivate their skills or simply enjoy their hobbies. To further students’ social life and education, the ICS has established a Students Union that represent the international students’ thoughts and ideas on the life and studies on the Campus. It is our vision that the Campus and Students Union bring everybody together where they can work, study, and be active in a multicultural environment.
APPLICATION AND CONTACT

Should you need to contact us regarding admission or the MCS Program, please provide your name, education, and country so that we may help you as best as possible.

Before you apply
Gather further information on our website to research your opportunities and what the MCS Program can offer you as a graduate student.

Read through the guide to entry 2017-18 on our website to make sure you provide all the correct supporting documents and information.

Check the deadlines on our admission page and plan your time to submit your application well in advance, if possible. Application deadline for and admission and the ZJU Scholarship 2017-18: May 20th, 2017

How to apply
Complete and submit your online application here:
http://iczu.zju.edu.cn — Admissions — Online Application.
Afterwards send your application with supporting documents to the mailing address provided below

After you apply
You will receive an e-mail confirmation. For information on the admission and scholarship process check the application timeline on our website.

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