

ImmerQi Semester Abroad at Tsinghua University

ImmerQi offers students the chance to study for one semester at one of the world's leading institutions, Tsinghua University. Students will have access to direct enrollment at the university and benefit from ImmerQi support throughout their time in China. Students will have access to our 'full-service package' including accommodation, airport pickup, monthly events, and more so as to maximize their time in China.

About Tsinghua University



Academic reputation

Founded in 1911, Tsinghua University has since established itself as one of the world's leading institutions. Tsinghua alumni include former President Hu Jintao and current President Xi Jinping.

In the 2016 QS World Rankings, Tsinghua University was ranked:

- 24th in the world
- 1st BRIC university
- 1st Chinese university

Tsinghua University is traditionally well regarded for its engineering and science departments, but has also recently developed a strong reputation in the arts and social sciences.

The following subjects are ranked in the top 50 worldwide by QS:

- Art and Design
- Architecture/Built Environment
- Accounting and Finance
- Business and Management studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science and Information Systems
- Economics
- Engineering – Electrical and Electronic
- Engineering - Chemical
- Engineering – Civil and Structural
- Engineering – Mechanical, Aeronautical & Manufacturing
- Engineering – Mining and Mineral

- Environmental Sciences
- Law
- Materials Science
- Mathematics
- Modern Languages
- Physics and Astronomy
- Politics and International Studies
- Social Policy and Administration
- Statistics and Operational Research

A full breakdown of Tsinghua rankings by subject can be found at the end of this document (Appendix A).

Campus life

Formally a royal garden of the Qing dynasty, the Tsinghua campus has been voted one of the world's most beautiful university campuses. Located in the heart of Beijing, Tsinghua University is close to famous historic sites such as the Summer Palace and Yuan Ming Yuan Park.

With 137 student societies and over 10 dining halls, Tsinghua University promises a vibrant campus life beyond the classroom.



Studying at Tsinghua

ImmerQi offers direct enrollment into Tsinghua University to students, meaning students will have the opportunity to take classes with both local Chinese and foreign students (no island programs). Students will register for courses once in China, at the university itself. ImmerQi can help students to choose



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courses, navigate credit requirements and make sure they are getting the classes they wanted.

Please click [Tsinghua University Fall 2016 Courses Taught in English for Undergraduate and Graduate Students](#) to download the latest course description provided by Tsinghua University.

Students can choose from three types of courses during their semester at Tsinghua. Students who have no prior Mandarin experience will be required to take at least one Mandarin course.

- **Academic courses** – Tsinghua University has over 200 combined undergraduate and postgraduate courses taught in English in a wide range of disciplines. The full undergraduate course list and corresponding credits can be found in Appendix B. The postgraduate course list is available upon request.
- **Chinese culture and society classes** – For students to fully engage in China’s rich culture, they will be able to choose from classes such as ‘Chinese History and Culture’, ‘Chinese Tourism’ or ‘Analysis of Popular Topics in Modern China’ (see Appendix C for full list of culture classes).
- **Mandarin classes** – Students will be able to choose between four levels of difficulty: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced 1 and Advanced 2. Courses are split into listening, speaking, reading and writing disciplines. A course in Business Chinese is also available.

About the program

Beyond the academic aspect of this program, ImmerQi aims to help students settle comfortably into China and to immerse themselves in Chinese culture.

Our ‘full-service package’ includes:

- Course tuition fees
- Official academic transcripts and certificates from Tsinghua University
- Registration and enrolment assistance upon arrival
- Pre-departure services
- Course selection advice
- Visa assistance
- Pre-arranged housing with wireless internet, utilities and weekly cleaning
- 4 Day orientation program with meals and accommodation inclusive
- Airport Pick-up
- Orientation on Tsinghua University, Chinese customs and daily tips to get around
- Welcome pack including SIM, emergency card, phrasebook, map and transport card
- Welcome dinner with fellow participants
- Tour of local surroundings and using public transport
- Weekly cultural activities arranged by Tsinghua that may include tai chi, calligraphy etc.
- Field trips to the Great Wall and Forbidden City
- Onshore Support services
- 24/7 general and emergency support from ImmerQi staff
- Newsletters
- Monthly cultural, social or professional development activities



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Excluded:

- Flights
- Comprehensive travel insurance
- Textbooks – approx. \$50 to \$100 USD

Eligibility:

- GPA: 2.75
- Advanced level English (no testing required)
- 2nd year students and above

Accommodation: Shared Apartments

- Own bedroom in a shared apartment living with fellow students or expatriates
- 10 minute bike ride to Tsinghua University and in close proximity to public transportation and affordable dining options
- Shared facilities include bathroom, dining area, washing machine, TV, air conditioning and lounge
- Equipped with a kitchen, microwave and fridge for self catering option
- Electricity, water, gas, internet and weekly cleaning provided as part of the program fee
- May include kitchen, microwave, washing machine, TV

Program fees for 2018 are as follows:

	US\$
Tuition and Services	\$8,500
Accommodation	\$4,900

Program dates for 2018 are as follows:

Program	Application Deadline	Arrival in China	Registration	Semester Start	Semester Completion
Spring 2018	15 th Nov	19 th February	24 th - 25 th Feb	26 th Feb	26 th June 2018
Fall 2018	30 th April	6 th Sept	11-13 th Sept	14 th Sept	16 th January 2019

* Dates are subject to change



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Appendix A

Tsinghua subject rankings determined by QS university rankings

Top 20	Architecture / Built Environment (8)
	Chemistry (17)
	Computer Science and Information Systems (17)
	Engineering – Chemical (15)
	Engineering – Civil and Structural (8)
	Engineering – Electrical and Electronic (15)
	Engineering – Mechanical, Aeronautical and Manufacturing (15)
	Environmental Sciences (20)
	Materials Science (10)
Top 50	Accounting and Finance (46)
	Art and Design (23)
	Business and Management Studies (49)
	Economics and Econometrics (44)
	Engineering – Mineral & Mining (50)
	Law (36)
	Mathematics (43)
	Modern Languages (30)
	Physics and Astronomy (30)
	Politics and International Studies (38)
	Social Policy and Administration (37)
	Statistics and Operational Research (26)
Top 100	Biological Sciences
	Communication and Media Studies
	English Language and Literature
	Geography & Area Studies
	Linguistics
	Philosophy
	Sociology



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Appendix B

Tsinghua University Chinese culture & society courses list

Course	Credits in China
Hot topics in modern China society	2
Chinese history & culture	2
Chinese tourism	2



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Appendix C

Tsinghua University credits information

Students are required to enrol in 5 to 6 courses for a full course load of 15-18 credits.

The number of credits per course type is as follows:

- Academic courses (1-4 credits each)
- Mandarin language courses (2 credits each)
- Chinese culture and society courses (2 credits each)

Students may choose any combination of the above courses to complete their course load. However, students should consider 6-8 courses in their application, in case a particular course isn't available during their semester or in the event of a timetable clash.

Students should seek approval from their academic advisor to ensure their course selection is transferrable for credit at their home institution. If a student's academic advisor wishes to review the course syllabus to make an assessment for credit transfer, ImmerQi is happy to arrange this.

Important points about Tsinghua credits:

- Students will have their official academic transcript from Tsinghua University posted to their home institution in a sealed envelope
- The students' home institutions are to make the final decision on how credits are awarded
- It should be noted that credits awarded in Chinese universities differ to those awarded in other countries:

Typical course in US institution	
15 weeks	
3 credits	45 contact hours
Equivalent	
1 credit	15 contact hours

Typical course in Chinese institution	
18 weeks	
2 credit course	36 contact hours
3 credit course	54 contact hours
4 credit course	72 contact hours
Equivalent	
1 credit	18 contact hours



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Appendix D

Tsinghua University enrolment information

The enrolment system in China may differ to systems in other countries. Students and academic advisors should be aware of this.

Important points to note:

- **Registration:** Students will have to register in person at Tsinghua's International Student Office one week prior to the start of the semester. ImmerQi will accompany students and help them navigate registration.
- **Course list:**
 - The finalized course list for each semester will be available two months before the semester start.
 - Once students receive the final course list, they should seek formal credit approval from their home institution for a broad selection of courses, as acceptance into a course is not confirmed until the start of the semester. ImmerQi will send through the syllabuses for the courses selected by students.
- **Course selection:**
 - Course selection will take place a few days before the start of the semester and will have to be completed in person at Tsinghua University. ImmerQi will accompany students to select their courses
 - Acceptance into a course is subject to capacity and demand. Students will find out what courses they have been accepted into approximately a week after completing their course selection. Once accepted, students should reconfirm the amount of credits they will obtain for these courses with their home institutions.
- **Student timetables:** These will be finalized in the first week of the semester.
- **Mandarin Language Courses:** Students taking Mandarin language courses will be placed into the appropriate Chinese level based on reading, written, oral and placement tests taken during their enrolment week