



上海外国语大学
SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL STUDIES UNIVERSITY

Chinese Culture Summer Program

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Feeling China:

***An Exploration of
Chinese Culture***

@ Shanghai International Studies University



WELCOME TO SISU

Established in 1949, Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) is committed to preparing future leaders and professionals with advanced language proficiency, extensive global knowledge, and deep intercultural understanding to shape international scholarship across humanities and social sciences, and address critical challenges worldwide. SISU is known for being one of the earliest institutions where China's higher education in foreign languages took shape. Our pioneering history began in the same year of the founding of the People's Republic of China. Over the past 70 years, SISU has grown into a national leading and globally recognized university for international studies.

We have made it a strategic priority in our development planning to go global. We have now established partnerships with more than 440 universities and institutions from 62 countries and regions, and have maintained close connection with international organizations, such as the United Nations and the European Union. Over the past five years, around 4,600 international students have been enrolled each year in our Chinese language programs or other degree schemes.

We look forward to embarking on this wonderful journey with you for "Feeling China: An Exploration of Chinese Culture".

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

For thousands of years, China has been an important contributor to the diversity and splendor of the world's civilization. Ancient and profound, young and open, prosperous and enterprising, friendly and peace-loving, all these words comprise the feature of China, a country worth exploring and understanding.

International students in this three-week program will attend a series of well-knit lectures delivered in English. International students and SISU students will study together in the program toward a better understanding of China, Chinese culture and how they relate to the world. Students will receive an official certificate upon the completion of all the coursework.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: 4 August – 24 August, 2025

Deadline to Apply: 1 June, 2025

Teaching Language: English

Application Fee: 450 RMB (free for exchange students)

Tuition Fee: 6000RMB (free for exchange students)

On Campus Accommodation:

100RMB per day for a bed in the twin room

180RMB per day for a single room



HIGHLIGHT

- > A clear focus on fundamentals of Chinese culture;
- > Lectures delivered by SISU senior faculty members;
- > All the lectures are delivered in English;
- > One week Survival Chinese course in the program;
- > Carefully designed cultural activities;
- > Participation of Chinese students in the same program.

APPLICATION

The program is open to applicants of any academic background.

The proficiency in the Chinese language is not required as all lectures are delivered in English.



Website for Application:
<http://apply.shisu.edu.cn/>

For further inquiry, you may contact Office
of International Students Affairs through
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CURRICULUM

Chinese History

Chinese Politics
and Law

Chinese Art

Chinese Economy

Chinese
Literature

Five main themes,
each consisting of 2-4 lectures + 1 seminar

Survival Chinese

One week Chinese course is included in the program. It's possible to upgrade
the Chinese course to 2 weeks with extra tuition fee of 900RMB.

STUDY IN THE HEART OF SHANGHAI

The city of Shanghai is one of the world's most vibrant cities, a place blooming with so much life and diversity, making a visitor's stay truly memorable. It is a city where the traditions of the east blend perfectly with those of the west, where the old Shikumen buildings proudly stand side by side with the new skyscrapers of the modern world.

Here are some fun facts about Shanghai:

- 1 With nearly 25 million, Shanghai is China's largest city in terms of its population. Nearly 9 million international tourists enjoying Shanghai's top sights each year;
- 2 Shanghai literally means "Above/Upon the Sea," which alludes to the city's location along the Yangtze River Delta near the South China Sea. As an excellent sea and river port, it boasts easy access to the vast hinterland of China;
- 3 Shanghai aims to become an international center for economics, finance, trade, shipping, technology and innovation by the year of 2035;
- 4 The city is divided into two parts by the Huangpu River: Puxi is the older part of the city and hosts the majority of shops and museums; Pudong is the modern part, and is recognized for its extremely impressive high-rises;
- 5 Shanghai has become a gastronomic center of all the major cuisine of China. The downtown area also has a plethora of glitzy foreign restaurants to suit the palate of international tourists.



“ I think Shanghai is a very modern and vibrant city. I really enjoy the mix between modern and traditional buildings. We've been to the downtown areas, the bunds... there are very modern skyscrapers which I really enjoyed. But also, we visit some temples and other more traditional style buildings. And I really like the mix of both of them. ”

Participant from Leiden University



“ It's a very enriching program. It gives me a chance to learn things that I would not have the opportunity to learn outside of China, like taking a Chinese painting course and many other such things. I'm very happy that I could be part of this program.” ”

Participant from Georgetown University



“ I really love this program. I met some differences between the West and the East, and I love all of the lectures. The good thing about the program is that it emphasizes on the lectures, instead of the Chinese language itself. The professors are very nice to us, and they are eager to help us. So please continue this program for the years to come, and I will certainly invite some Greek students to visit Shanghai and SISU.” ”

Participant from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki



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