苏州大学

SOOCHOW UNIVERSITY

Intensive Chinese Language

and

Culture Study Program

汉语・中国文化研修课程

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SCHOOL OF OVERSEAS EDUCATION

苏州大学・海外教育学院

About Soochow University

Situated in the historical and picturesque city of Suzhou, a metropolis well-reputed in the world for its classic gardens, Soochow University is a national key institute listed in the project “211”, a first-class member in the “2011” program and a top comprehensive university in Jiangsu Province. Under the same school name, the predecessor of Soochow University was founded in the year 1900 as the first Chinese university with a modern disciplinary system.

As a comprehensive research-oriented institute, the university spans 12 academic disciplines ranging from philosophy, economics, law, education, literature and history to science, engineering, agriculture, medicine, management and arts. Currently, nine of the disciplines have been ranked in top 1% worldwide in Essential Science Indicators (ESI) Rankings, namely Chemistry, Physics, Material Science Clinical Medicine, Engineering, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Biology and Biochemistry, Neuroscience and Behavioral Science and Molecular Biology and Genetics, among which Chemistry and Material Science are ranked in the top 1‰ of ESI. In 2017, on the list of the “most innovative universities and institutes” released by *Nature Index and Lens*, Soochow University ranked first, surpassing all other universities, colleges and institutes in China. Adhering to the strategy of "Building a Top University in China by Promoting its Reputation in the World", Soochow University has established partnerships with over 180 universities and institutes in more than 30 countries and regions. Soochow University enrolls over 3000 overseas students from about 60 countries and regions each year.

Why Soochow University

1. School known for a century

With a history of more than 2500 years, Suzhou is a famous city known for its superior location, developed economy and rich culture, and so it has earned its reputation as "Paradise on Earth" and "Venice of the East." Soochow University, with a history of one hundred years, is recognized as "the ten most beautiful campuses in the country". Founded in 1900 Soochow University is one of the earliest institutions of higher education in China.

2. Excellent location, elitary environment.

Suzhou has a developed regional economy, second only to Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou and Shenzhen, ranking first among prefecture-level cities in the whole country. Nearly 30 percent of the world's top 500 enterprises and more than 10,000 Taiwan-funded enterprises have settled in Suzhou. The school is adjacent to Shanghai and located in the central economic circle of the Yangtze river delta, providing broad space for students' high-quality internship and employment.

3. International exchanges, diverse projects

Soochow University has fully implementedthe education international development strategyand has established interschool exchanges with over 150 universities and research institutions in more than 20 countries, including the United States, England, Canada, Australia, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, Japan, South Korea, Singapore,as well as Hongkong, Macao, and Taiwan. As the university with the largest number of international students in Jiangsu Province, Soochow University enrolls more than 3,000 foreign students every year, forming an international school atmosphere.

The School of Overseas Education at Soochow University specialize in providing Chinese language classes and promoting Chinese culture among international students. Long-term Chinese language training courses as well as short-term Chinese culture and business advanced programmes are offered to foreign students.The institute has more than 30 teachers who teach Chinese language and culture, and most of them haveteaching experience abroad. They have strong professional competence and have tremendous teaching skills, which makes them very popular among overseas students. The School of Overseas Education pays great attention to the language development ability, strictly controls the teaching staff and strives to create good learning atmosphere for international students.

# Long-term Program

Length of Program: From one semester to three years

Schedule: 20 academic hours every week (each academic hour lasts for 45 minutes).

Level: Level 1-level 7 (equivalentto HSK level, students higher than HSK 6 to enter level 7)

Class size: 20-30 students/class

**Semester schedule:**

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| Semester | Applicationtime | Time |
| Spring Semester | 1stOctober— 30th December | From the end of February to early July |
| Fall Semester | 1st April—30th June | From early September to early January |

**Training courses**

* Required courses (in the morning): Comprehensive Chinese (Grammar and Chinese characters), Chinese listening, Chinese reading and Chinese conversations.
* Selective courses (in the afternoon): Listening comprehension, reading comprehension, Chinese calligraphy, Chinese geography, Chinese movies, Chinese folk customs, Chinese idioms and stories, etc.(each semester offers slightly different subjects)
* Cultural Club: Wushu (Chinese martial arts), Erhu (Chinese traditional music instrument), Beijing Opera, Suzhou Dialect
* Cultural Activities: (free); making Chinese food, visiting ancient city, celebrating Chinese festivals etc.
* Cultural Activities: Visiting Suzhou gardens, sightseeing in Shanghai, Hangzhou, Wuxi, Nanjing and Wuzhen etc.

**Weekly Schedule (example)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8：30-10：00 | Comprehensive Chinese | Chinese Conversation | Comprehensive Chinese | Chinese Conversation | Comprehensive Chinese |
| 10：30-12：00 | Chinese Conversation | Comprehensive Chinese | Chinese Conversation | Comprehensive Chinese | Chinese Conversation |
| 13：30-15：00 |  | Elementary Chinese Listening Comprehension | Elementary Chinese Reading Comprehension | Character-Writing |  |
| 15：00-17：00 |  |  | Cultural Club(Opera) |  |  |

**Tuition fee (NOT includevisa fee, insurance fee or some cultural activities fee)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Length of Program | Tuition Fee | ApplicationFee | Study Materials Fee |
| One Semester | 7500 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～160RMB |
| One Academic Year | 15000 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～260 RMB |
| One Month | 2500 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～160 RMB |
| Two Months | 4150 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～160 RMB |
| One Months | 5800 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～160RMB |
| Onesubjects/semester | 4500 RMB | 500 RMB | 100～160 RMB |

**Application Process:**

* Online application: iaa.suda.edu.cn
* After receiving the admission letter by email, please confirm your mailing address to ensure that you can receive all the documents
* Apply for student visa in your country after receiving the admission materials
* Please make your registration on the designated date

# Short-term Program

Length of the program: From two weeks to five weeks

Schedule: 26 academic hours every week (each academic hour lasts for 45 minutes).

Course duration: All year round, mainly during summer and winter vacation

**Course program**

* Over 10 people in a group
* Divided into three categories: Language and culture, language and economy, and culture and art
* The language program: Comprehensive Chinese (grammar, characters, writing etc.), Oral Communication Chinese (listening, conversations)
* The cultural program: Chinese caligraphy, tea ceremony, Tai chi, Suzhou gardens lecture, Chinese customs lecture, museum tours, Suzhou gardens tours, trips to Shanghai/Hangzhou/Wuxi/Nanjing/Wuzhen etc.
* The economy program: China's economy, Sino-foreign economic relations, China's opening-up policy, business strategies of Chinese companies, visits to Chinese and foreign companies etc.
* The art program: Suzhou silk craft, Suzhou fan craft, Kunqu, Guqin, Suzhou pastry making, Chinese ink wash painting etc.

**Weekly Schedule (example)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8：30-10：00 | Comprehesive Chinese | Chinese Conversation | Comprehesive Chinese | Chinese conversation | Comprehesive Chinese |
| 10：30-12：00 | Chinese Conversation | Comprehesive Chinese | Chinese Conversation | Comprehesive Chinese | Chinese Conversation |
| 13：30-15：00 | Comprehesive Chinese | Caligraphy | Comprehesive Chinese | Visit to Humble Administrator's Garden(one of the four famous gardens) | Chinese Customs Lecture |
| 15：00-17：00 | Chinese-Foreign Students Exchange Meeting | Tai chi |  | Tea Ceremony |

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| Time | Weekends |
| Whole day | 1) Visit to Huqiu/Hanshan Temple/ Shantang Street  2）Tour around Shanghai/Wuxi/Hangzhou/Nanjing etc. |

**Tuition fee (does NOT include visa fee, insurance fee or some cultural activities fee)**

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| Category | Duration of study | Course fee | Application fee | Accommodation fee  (double room) | Activities fee |
| Language and culture advanced course | Two weeks | 2500 RMB | 500RMB | 840～1400RMB | 2000RMB |
| Four weeks | 4000RMB | 500RMB | 1680～2800RMB | 4000RMB |
| Language and economy advanced course | Two weeks | 3000 RMB | 500RMB | 840～~1400RMB | 2500RMB |
| Four weeks | 5000RMB | 500RMB | 1680～2800RMB | 5000RMB |
| Culture and art advanced course | Two weeks | 2500RMB | 500RMB | 840～1400RMB | 2500RMB |
| Four weeks | 4000RMB | 500RMB | 1680～2800RMB | 4500RMB |

**Application:**

Group registration requires signing a two-party agreement, individual registration requires submitting an application form. For details, please call：+86-(0)512-65223787 or contact us via e-mail: wjxia@suda.edu.cn

# Business Chinese (on weekends)

Lengthof the program: Every weekend during each semester

Schedule: 48 academic hours (each academic hour lasts for 45 minutes)

**Program Schedule**

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| Semester | Deadline for Application | Duration of program |
| Spring semester | 15thMarch | From the end of March to earlyJuly |
| Autumn Semester | 15thSeptember | From the end of September to early January |

**Course Arrangement**

* Program description: Focusing on today’s and future China’sbusiness nature
* Chineselanguage level: Equivalent to HSK level 3
* Course content: Chinese business cases, etiquette, etc., understanding Chinese people’s mentality, behaviors and habits when conducting business and initiating further efficient communication.
* Number of students in the class: more than 5

**Tuition**

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| Number of applicants | Tuition fee | Study materials fee |
| One person | 4000 RMB | None |
| Two people | 3700 RMB | None |
| Three people or more | 3500 RMB | None |

**Application:**

Place of registration: Room 313, Yiyuan Building, Soochow University

Telephone number: +86-(0)512-65223787

E-mail: wjxia@suda.edu.cn

# Chinese language and culture program (on weekends)

Length of the program: Every weekend during each semester

Schedule: 48 academic hours (each academic hour lasts for 45 minutes)

**Program schedule**

|  |  |  |
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| Semester | Deadline for application | Duration of program |
| Spring semester | 15thMarch | From the end of March to early July |
| Autumn semester | 15thSeptember | From the end of September toearly January |

**Course arrangement**

* Program description: Understanding the Chinese language and Chinese culture
* Chinese language level: Basics or equivalent to HSK level 2
* Course content: Chinese life and traditional culture, Suzhou local culture, visiting different places of interest etc., helping students understand how Chinese language is used in real life
* Number of students in the class: More than 5

**Tuition**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Number of applicants | Tuition fee | Study materials fee |
| One person | 4000 RMB | None |
| Two people | 3700 RMB | None |
| Three people or more | 3500 RMB | None |

**Application:**

Place of registration: Room 313, Yiyuan Building Main Campus, Soochow University

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# An intensive HSK course

Length of the program: Every Wednesday during each semester

Schedule: 20 academic hours (each academic hour lasts for 45 minutes)

**Program schedule**

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| Semester | Deadline for application | Duration of program |
| Spring semester | 15thMarch | From the end of March to early May |
| Autumn semester | 15thSeptember | From the end of September to early November |

**Course arrangement**

* Programme description:Focusing on HSK requirements, improving writing and reading ability in short period of time; main goal of the course is passing HSK 3/4/5
* Chinese language level:Corresponding or slightly lower than HSK level
* Course content: Listening, reading, grammar, essay-writing, a mock exam is held at the test center on the weekend two weeks before the official exam to improve HSK test skills and help students be fully prepared in the aspect of psychology, skills and knowledge
* More than 5 people in a group

**Tuition fee**

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| Number of applicants | Tuition | Study materials fee |
| One person | 1600 yuan | None |
| Three people or more | 1200 yuan | None |

**Application**

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**Activities for International Students**

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| Opening & closing ceremony | International Day | （Chinese students and foreign studentsactivity） |
| Sports meeting for International students | Celebration of Chinese Traditional Festivals | Experience of Chinese Traditional Culture |
| Experience of Suzhou Local culture | Sightseeingin the Ancient Town | Talents Competition for international students |

**Accommodation**

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| Hotels | Room Type | Facilities | Price |
| Hotel in the Main Campus | Twin-bed Room | Private bathroom, air-conditioner, internet, laundry | 100 RMB/day/bed |
| Single room | Private bathroom,  air-conditioner, internet, laundry | 200 RMB/day/room |
| International dormitory in East Campus | Twin-bed room | Privatebathroom,  air-conditioner, internet | 60 RMB/day/bed |

**Qualification for the programs**

* Above high school or equivalent degree
* Age from 16 to 60 (under 18 should have a guardian)
* Have a good health condition

**Bank Information**

BENEFICIARY：SOOCHOW UNIVERSITY  
No.50DongHuan Road. Suzhou , Jiangsu ,China  
ACCOUNT： BANK OF CHINA SUZHOU BRANCH

（ACCOUNT NO）：470258217366  
SWIFT ：BKCHCNBJ95B

Please fill in the "overseas education college study fee and applicant's name" on the contact information of the recipient when making the bank transfer.

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