FAQs on Degree program Admission Shanghai University

Eligibility

Q: How to be eligible for an international student to apply to Shanghai University?

A: To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a citizen of a country other than the People's Republic of China, and be in good health physically and mentally;
- be a high school graduate when applying for undergraduate programs.
- be a bachelor degree holder when applying for master graduate programs.
- be a master degree holder when applying for PhD graduate programs.

Q: I'm under 18 years old. Am I eligible to apply?

A: Yes. An applicant under 18 years old needs a guardian during his/her stay in China until he/she turns 18. A guardian is normally a Chinese citizen who resides and works where the student studies (Download Guarantee Statement at https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index).

More information please refers to the Application Guide.

Admission Criteria

Q: What are the admission criteria for programs?

A: Generally, an applicant must meet departmental standards set for the selected program of study.

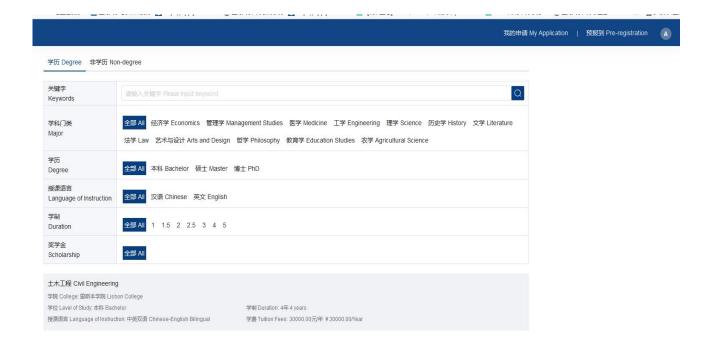
Please choose supervisor online get accepted by a prospective professor, when applying for postgraduate programs (please note that it is not required for following Master programs: MBA center, SILC Business School and all postgraduate programs in School of Economics, School of Management.).

Q: How can I obtain the programs' catalog?

A: You can log in our website (https://apply.shu.edu.cn) to search your interested majors.

Q: Are there any programs delivered in English?

A: Yes. After you login the system, you can search your interested English programs.



Q: If I apply for the programs delivered in Chinese, are there any language proficiency requirements?

A: Yes. You have to meet the requirement under the main list:

Disciplines	Required HSK Level
Chinese Language(BA), Teaching Chinese to	above HSK 4 (180)
Speakers of Other Languages (BA)	
Science, Engineering, Economics, Management	above HSK 5 (180)
and Art;	
Humanities	above HSK 5 (210)

Q: If I want to apply for the programs delivered in English, are there any language proficiency requirements?

A: Yes. Applicants must meet one of the following English proficiency requirements:

- 1) Native speakers of English;
- 2 Internationally recognized English proficiency tests score within two years:

English proficiency test	Minimum Requirement	Notes
GRE General	320	

GMAT	550	
IELTS (academic)	6.5	
TOEFL	90	TOEFL MyBestTM&TOEFL essentials scores accepted
Duolingo	120	
Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)	180	
Cambridge Certificate of		
Proficiency in English (CPE)	180	
NTS GAT General	70% score	For Pakistani applicants to master programs;
NTS GAT Subject	70% score	For Pakistani applicants to doctoral programs;

3 Applicant whose previous degree is fully taught in English should provide the original language statement and the statement must be on official headed paper.

Important Dates

Q: When the current round will be started?

A: The application will be open on December 2nd, 2024.

Q: Is there an application deadline?

A: Yes. The application deadline is on 30 June 2025.

Q: What is the deadline for scholarship?

A: CSC Type A: refer to the Chinese Embassy in your home country;

CSC Type B: February 15, 2025;

Shanghai Government Scholarship: May 15,2025;

Please note the winter break of SHU will be from Jan 13,2025 to Feb 16,2025. The application system will still be available during the winter break, but online verification might be delayed due to the vacation. Applicants are therefore recommended to complete their application at least two or three weeks in advance.

Application Procedures

Q: How to apply for Shanghai University?

A: You can submit your application via the website (https://apply.shu.edu.cn).

Q: Do you accept the paper application?

A: No.

Q: What documents are required to submit online?

A:

☑ ID photo

The passport-size photo (one-inch, 219*413) should be taken within the last six months, bareheaded, full-faced with blue-color background; the photo is required to submit as JPG image less than 100kb.

☑ Information Page of Ordinary Passport

Scanned copy of your valid ordinary passport with your name, photo, birth date, place of birth, date of issue, date of expiry; Visa page is required for applicants who are currently in China.

Visa page is required for applicants who are not in their home country.

☑ Selfie video

Applicants should submit a video including self-introduction and study plan in China. avi, mov, or mp4 less than 50 MB are accepted. The language of the video should be consistent with the language of the program you are applying for (English or Chinese).

☑ Highest Degree Certificate and Official Transcripts

Graduates-to-be should present an original or notarized scanned copy of pre-graduation certificate, personal commitment (You can download the template at https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index) and official transcripts of all courses completed by the time of application.

☑ Language Proficiency Certificate

If the score sheet is not available at the time of application, applicants may upload a screen shot of your scores. But the original score sheet is required when registration. You're highly recommended to upload color copies.

☑ Statement of Financial Support

(You can download at https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index)

☑ Research Plan (including study plan and research proposal in China)

Written in English or Chinese (according to the teaching language of the program), including research achievements so far (e.g. title and abstracts of graduation thesis or published paper), reasons of choosing SHU, study and research plan, future career plan, etc. Postgraduate applicants, please download the template to write your study plan.

☑ Certificate of No Criminal Record

Note: for any applicants who can not get the Certificate of No Criminal Record at home country, please sign the No criminal record Commitment with Shanghai University.

(You can download at https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index)

☑ Other (Refer to Departmental standards)

Applicants for art majors should provide relevant artworks (painting, audios or videos).

Q: What is Security and Background Check?

A: SBC is to check whether the applicant's personal condition is appropriate to enter the University. It includes questions about the applicant's personal life, education background and physical health. Please answer according to authentic situation and the results will be recorded by university.

Q: What is University Qualification Assessment (UQA)?

A:

- The purpose of this assessment is to evaluate whether international students are ready to enter Shanghai University for degree programs and it is only compulsory for individual international applicants of degree programs;
- This test includes five sessions: Chinese proficiency test, Overviews of China, cross-cultural communication, psychological test and mathematical logic reasoning; the type of question is single choice;
- The total score is 120 points, approximately 115 questions(Chinese test questions might vary with different levels). The estimated total test time is 50 minutes and time limit for each question is 2 minutes;
- There is a time limit for each question, so please make a choice within given time. If not, system will automatically skip to next question. If no answer is chosen, it will be regarded as 0;
- Breaks can be taken for each session. But test will start from the beginning of each session after breaks or system restart;

- Please click "submit" after completing the questions. Once the answers are submitted, the results cannot be revised; one email account can only be tested once after registration, while it can apply for more than one degree program.
- The Chinese proficiency test part can be skipped for English programs.

Q: How can I contact the professors

A: Click here to download the guide.

Q: Do I need to the get the acceptance letter from the professors first? And Where can I find the template of acceptance letter?

A: Choose supervisor online when choosing a major in the online application system and get accepted by a prospective professor.

Please note that it is not required to choose supervisor for the programs of School of Economics, School of Management, MBA Center and SILC Business School.

The School will arrange soon after registration at Shanghai University.

Q: How can I check my application status?

A: The system will send an automatic response notifying applicants the application status. Please make sure your email box work well in China. If you do not receive any response one week later after your application, please contact the recruiter by e-mail or phone.

The relevant information, documents and messages that the SHU International Students Admissions Office and relevant departments / schools publish or send to applicants through websites, phone calls, emails, text messages, etc. are deemed to have been delivered. All consequences caused by the applicant's personal negligence and other reasons shall be borne by the applicant himself/herself.

Payment

Q: Is there any application fee when I apply to Shanghai University?

A: Yes. Applicants have to pay RMB 500 as application fee online.

Please note that applications may not be processed without paying application fee. And the application fee is not refundable even if you are not admitted by SHU.

Q: How can I get information about the tuition fee?

A: You can find the tuition fee in the program catalog.

Q: What types of scholarships do you offer?

A: Shanghai University offers different types of scholarship for international students.

If applicants apply for undergraduate programs, they might be granted with Chinese Government Scholarship (Type A) or Shanghai Government scholarship or Shanghai University Scholarship or International Chinese Language Teacher Scholarship;

If applicants apply for postgraduate programs, they might be granted with Chinese Government scholarship (full scholarship), or Shanghai Government Scholarship or Shanghai University Scholarship or International Chinese Language Teacher Scholarship.

More information about scholarship application please refers to the **Scholarship Application Guide**.

Q: How can I pay the tuition fee?

A:

- 1 Bank transfer
- 2 Cash payment

Q: What is the policy of tuition deposit and refund?

A: The self-paid applicants of degree programs must pay the tuition fees deposit(One-year or half a year tuition fee)when receiving the E-admission notice within 20 working days. If the payment is not completed after 20 days, it would be regarded as giving up.

The following types of students can be exempted from paying the tuition deposit:

a)Scholarship students (including Chinese Government Scholarship, International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship, Shanghai Government Scholarship, Shanghai University Scholarship, and CCN foundation program scholarship).

b)Degree students recommended by partner institutions of Shanghai University.

The deposit is non-refundable except the circumstances outlined below:

A.Withdrawing your application within 30 days after the successful deposit payment to Shanghai University bank account.

The actual paid amount will be refunded to your Chinese bank accounts only in RMB. The service fee and the exchange rate difference will be charged.

B.University cancels programme

If the University cancels program for which the applicant has accepted an offer, then all fees paid will be refunded to the applicant's Chinese bank accounts only in RMB.

C.Refusal of a student visa

Those who fail to get visa due to other reasons and provide the official statement of visa rejection from the embassy or consulate before the deadline of registration (11 Sep, 2025), the actual paid amount will be refunded to your Chinese bank accounts only in RMB. The service fee and the exchange rate difference will be charged.

The deposit is non-refundable in the following circumstances:

A. Withdrawing your application after 30 days after the successful deposit payment to Shanghai University bank account. The deposit will not be refunded.

B.Admitted Students but never enrolled

For any admitted students who paid tuition fee deposit, but never enrolled at Shanghai University, the deposit will not be refunded.

C. Those who fail to apply visa due to personal reasons, the deposit will not be refunded;

D.Current Students who transfer out or withdraw

The current students who apply for university transfer or withdrawal after registration will not be refund.

Q: What are the bank account information?

For Foreign Currency such as USD, JPY	For CNY
Beneficiary's Name: Shanghai University	Shanghai Gonghe Sub-Branch,
Beneficiary's Account No.: 98211454800000228	Agricultural Bank of China, P.R.China
Beneficiary's Bank Name:	Account No.: 033584-00801000968
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank, Jingan Sub-branch,	Beneficiary: Shanghai University
Shanghai, P.R.China	
(SWIFT NO.SPDBCNSHXXX)	

For SHU-UTS SILC Business School (SILC)

For Foreign Currency such as USD, JPY

Beneficiary's Name: SILC Business School,

Shanghai University

Beneficiary's Account No.: 31634000002047078

Beneficiary's Bank Name:

BANK OF SHANGHAI (SWIFT NO. BOSHCNSH)

Beneficiary's Address: No 20 CHENGZHONG ROAD,

JIADING DISTRICT, SHANGHAI

For CNY

Beneficiary's Name:上海大学悉尼工商学院

Beneficiary's Account

No.:31634000002047078

Beneficiary's Bank Name:

上海银行沪太支行

Note: Please do not transfer RMB to the two bank accounts above from out of China.

Please pay the tuition and tuition deposit to SILC Bank account if applying for SILC programs



Q: What kind of entry visa can I apply before departure?

A: International students who will study in China for more than 180 days are required to apply for the X1 visa at your nearest Chinese Embassy or Consulate.

International students who will study in China for less 180 days are required to apply for the X2 visa at your nearest Chinese Embassy or Consulate.

Q: What documents does the university provide for my entry visa application?

A: For X1 visa application, the E-copy of the original Letter of Admission and the download guide of Foreign Student Visa Application Form (JW201 or JW202) will be sent to your email address..

For X2 visa application, the E-copy of the original Letter of Admission will be sent to your email address. If needed, Foreign Student Visa Application Form (JW201 or JW202) will be provided.

Q: If it is too late to apply for student visa ("X" visa), can I apply for the Tourist Visa (L visa), and then change to student visa after arrival?

A: No, the non-student visa can't be changed to student visa after arrival. The international students have to apply for the student visa to enter.

Q: Can I do a part-time job in China with my X visa?

A: No. International students are forbidden to work in China with X visa.

Q: Can I apply for accompany visa for my parents?

A· No

Accommodation

Q: Where will I live during my stay in Shanghai University?

A: You can choose to live on campus or off campus. But highly recommend you rent the apartment off-campus as for the limited on-campus dorm.

Q: For on campus living, will I live with Chinese students or international students?

A: You will live in the international students' dorm.

Q: What kind of rooms can I choose if I live on campus?

A: Different types of rooms are provided: single room, double room, triple room, and Four-bed room.

More details please refer to https://apply.shu.edu.cn/pre-arrival/detail

Q: Should I book on campus living?

A: Yes. You have to book it online at the specific time. We will send the reservation notice to our prospective students in the end of July.

Q: How can I pay for the accommodation?

A: You can pay when you check in.

Q: Should I pay any deposit when I check in?

A: No, you don't have to.

Q: If I arrive at dorm late in the evening or early in the morning, can I check in?

A: Yes. The reception desk runs 24 hours. If you have reserved, you can check in with your admission

notice.

Q: Does CIE offer assistance with off-campus housing?

A: Legal real estate agency will be recommended by the Department of Residence Halls. The direct assistance with off-campus housing is available from the current student volunteers.



Q: Should I buy the international insurance before my departure?

A: Yes. Highly recommended.

Q: Should I buy Chinese insurance when I arrive at SHU?

A: If your stay is more than 180 days, it's mandatory to buy it in China even if you have your own International insurance.

Q: How much does it cost?

A: For half a year, it costs RMB 400. For a year, it costs RMB 800.

Q: Where can I buy it?

A: The assistance is available in the International Student Service Center.



Q: What's the registration procedure?

A: Step one: Finish the pre-registration online.

Step two: Review the documents by the Admission Office

Step three: Finish payment in the Financial Office

Step Four: Hand in all the documents to International Students Service Center

Step Five: If needed, buy the insurance

Q: What kind of documents should I take along with me for registration?

A: Admission notice, passport, 2 photos, visa application form (JW202), and all original application documents.

Q: If I arrive late at night or not on working day, what can I do?

A: You can check in firstly, and then register on the working day.

Contacts

CIE provides various services for international students. Please feel free to contact us if you need any assistance.

Q: What if I need help about my admission documents?

A: Contact coordinator in the International Students Admissions Office in College of International Education

Undergraduate Programs: apply1@oa.shu.eud.cn, Graduate Programs: apply9@oa.shu.edu.cn.

Tel: +86-21-66136615

Q: What if I need help about visa after arrival?

A: Go to the International Student Service Center on your campus. (V building, Baoshan Campus)

Q: What is your admission office working hour?

A: 8:00 am—11:30 am

1:00 pm-4:40 pm

Monday~Friday