[About Shanghai]

Q: Where is Shanghai?

A: Shanghai is located at the west coast of the Pacific Ocean, the east of China's mainland, linking the Jiangsu Province and the Zhejiang Province, next to the East China Sea. Shanghai's transportation is very convenient, and the geographical advantages make Shanghai a nice harbor.

Q: What about Shanghai's climate?

A: Shanghai belongs to the north subtropical monsoon climate, featuring abundant sunshine and rainfall in its four seasons. Generally, Shanghai's climate is mild and humid; spring and autumn are relatively shorter compared with summer and winter. The average temperature is 18.4°C, and nearly 70% of the annual rainfall falls at the period from May to September.

Q: What is Shanghai's population?

A: By the end of 2010, the permanent residents amount to over 22,912,900.

For further information about Shanghai, please browse the official website of Shanghai government: www.shanghai.gov.cn .

[About Fudan]

Q: Where is Fudan University?

A: Fudan University is located in the Yangpu District, Shanghai. It is in the northeast part of Shanghai, with 20-minute drive to the downtown area.

Q: When was Fudan founded? What about facilities at campus?

A: Fudan University was founded in 1905, covering an area of 2,440,000m². It has four campuses, with the measure of 1,390,000m² of school buildings. The university possesses 134 laboratories, 5 of them being the national key laboratories and 20 of them being the provincial key laboratories. Fudan has 3 libraries specializing in the field of Humanities, Science, and Medicine, with over 4,450,000 collections of books. It has 10 affiliated hospitals, all possess advanced facilities.

Q: How many departments and majors are there at Fudan? Are they all available to international students?

A: There are 29 schools or departments at Fudan, with 70 undergraduate programs, 225 master's programs, 153 doctoral programs, and 25 post-doctoral workstations. All is available to international students.

Q: How many teachers and students are there at Fudan?

A: Fudan possesses a teaching team of high level. The number of teachers is over 2300, and over 1500 of them are professors or associate professors, 35 of them are members of Chinese Scientific Academy and Chinese Technological Academy. Fudan has over 27,000 full-time local students and over 3800 international students.

Q: Which office is in charge of affairs of international students?

A: International Students Office (ISO). Its website is http://iso.fudan.edu.cn, e-mail address is iso@fudan.edu.cn.

[About Study]

Q: How to apply for Fudan?

A: Applicants of undergraduate programs, postgraduate programs and non-degree programs should apply for study online. For further information, please read the Admission Guide.

Q: How to pay the application fees?

A: Mainly pay online.

Q: How to pay the tuition fees and accommodation fees?

A: Mainly pay online.

Q: Is there any age limit for studying at Fudan?

A: Undergraduate applicants should be no older than 30; Master's applicants should be no older than 40, while the doctoral applicants should be no older than 45; Language applicants should be no older than 55, general advanced applicants should no older than 45, while senior advanced applicants and research scholars should no older than 50.

Q: Under which conditions should applicants take the entrance examination?

A: (1) Language students and other non-degree students aren't required to take the entrance examination. (2) Undergraduate students have to take the entrance examination. The testing subjects are: Chinese, Maths, English, and either Comprehensive Test of Liberal Arts or Comprehensive Test of Science. (3) As for master's students and doctoral students, there are 3 ways of admission: written test, interview and test exemption. For further information, please browse ISO website.

Q: Are international students taught separately from Chinese students? Are all the courses taught in Chinese?

A: For most courses, international students attend the classes and take the exams the same as Chinese students. All programs are taught in Chinese except English-taught programs. For further information about English-taught programs, please browse ISO website.

Q: Does Fudan accept transferring students? Does Fudan have mid-academic-year degree programs?

A: Fudan does not accept transferring students or mid-academic-year students.

Q: Will a language student or a non-degree student get a certificate when they complete the study at Fudan?

A: They will get transcript records and a study certificate. Schools or departments which students belong to are responsible for distributing those documents.

Q: What is HSK?

A: HSK is a standard national test established to examine the Chinese language proficiency of non-native speakers including foreigners, overseas Chinese and Chinese minorities. The certificate of HSK is only valid for 2 years.

Q: How are the semesters at Fudan arranged?

A: An academic year is divided into two parts: Spring Semester and Autumn Semester. Autumn Semester is from September to January of the next year, which is considered as the first semester, whereas Spring Semester is from February to June, which is considered as the second semester. Summer vacation is From July to August, winter vacation is from January to February.

[About Life]

Q: Does Fudan provide accommodation? Can international students live together with Chinese students?

A: There is an International Students Dormitory at the main campus and Fenglin Campus respectively. Dormitory provides facilities such as kitchens, laundry rooms, mailboxes and convenient stores. International students can't live together with Chinese students.

Q: Can international students live off campus?

A: Yes, but they should go through some procedures. When international students come to Fudan for registration, the coordinators will tell them in detail and give helpful instructions.

Q: What about catering at Fudan? How much does a meal cost?

A: Students can go to campus dining-halls for meals with your e-campus card. The dining-halls do not accept cash. The various and delicious delicacies cater to your likings. There are Muslim dining-halls at campus too. Usually a meal will cost you 6-10 RMB.

Q: What about facilities around Fudan University?

A: There are shopping malls, supermarkets, post offices, banks, restaurants, hospitals, bus stops, and metro stations scattering around Fudan University.