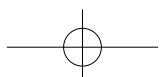


# SHANDONG UNIVERSITY

## Master Program in *China Studies* (MCS)

EXPLORE CHINA  
DISCOVER YOURSELF





## Welcome

China Studies Program is Shandong University's interdisciplinary and international master's program. Its global focus includes China's history as well as diversified study areas of contemporary China. The program includes highly experienced SDU teaching faculty and international professionals. It features flexible teaching methods, offers courses on a modular basis, and provides regional tours so students can experience the real China. Through the study of China's past and present, I believe the program will provide earnest students of Chinese culture and history with a broad understanding of China from both Chinese and International perspectives. I welcome you to join us for an academic adventure at Shandong University!

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Dean, Center of China Studies

Dean, School of Political Science and Public Administration

Shandong University

## About MCS

### Program Concepts

- (1) A comprehensive and interdisciplinary program which combines Chinese history and culture with contemporary China studies and hot issues.
- (2) An Understanding of China from economic, political and cultural perspectives.
- (3) Designed to educate those who aspire to become subject matter experts with a broad knowledge and deep understanding of China, by applying multiple methodologies such as humanities and social sciences.
- (4) Core courses plus six modules with specialized courses referring to Chinese Politics, Economics, Law, Literature & Media, Philosophy, and History & Geography through the Study of Tourism, are designed for degree students.
- (5) Undergraduate and graduate International students can also apply credits as elective courses based on the needs of the students and partner universities.
- (6) A balanced mix of theoretical research and practical social work
- (7) A "Second classroom": Professionally guided tours of Beijing, Shanghai, Xi'an and Hangzhou.

### Languages

- (1) English is the primary language of Instruction.
- (2) Mandarin is taught as part of the curriculum as a practical language for daily use in China and will aid the student's immersion in China and Chinese society.

## Faculty Members

The MCS program invites both Chinese and international faculty members to form a professional academic team. The team is comprised of 60% from SDU, 20% from Chinese first-class universities, such as Beijing University, Zhejiang University, etc., and 20% from top world universities.

Currently, MCS has more than 30 teaching professors who are specialized in the disciplines of arts, humanities, social sciences, etc.

MCS also regularly invites visiting international professors to present lectures and teach academic courses.

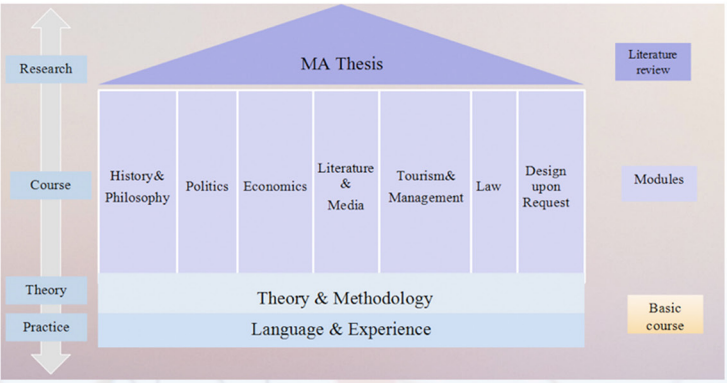




### Structure

#### Course Curriculum

MCS provides a series of courses about different aspects of China’s social development. Shandong University requires every master’s candidate to earn at least 30 credits and to complete the master’s thesis as scheduled by the MCS program.



#### Program Models

Models	Duration at Home	Duration at SDU	Degree
Full Program	BA	2 years	SDU degree
Joint Program	1 year Master	1 year	Dual degree
	3 undergraduate + 1 year Master	1 year	SDU degree
Credit Course	Design Upon Request*		Transcript, Certificate

#### Notes:

- (1) Earning an SDU degree requires students to register for their first year of Master’s study at SDU. Students can study at their home university, and their course credits would be recognized by SDU due to the cooperative Agreement.
- (2) \* “Design Upon Request” is an opportunity for the student who may not need the Full or Joint Programs to choose courses and credits that best meet the student’s needs, and where a degree may not be the goal. Once approved by SDU, the course would lead to a certificate of completion and credit transfers to another university.



## Course list

Module	No.	Courses	Type	Hours	Credits
Theory & Methodology	1	Research Methodologies in Humanities and Social Sciences	R	64	4
	2	Approaches to Dissertation Writing	R	32	2
Language	1	Mandarin Chinese	R	32	2
Core Courses	1	Transformation of Contemporary Chinese Society	R	32	2
	2	Review and Prospects of Chinese Economic Reform	R	32	2
	3	Introduction to Chinese Social History	R	32	2
	4	Development of Chinese Higher Education	R	32	2
	5	Introduction to Chinese Law	R	32	2
	6	Chinese Culture and Philosophy	R	32	2
	7	China's Politics and Government	R	32	2
Seminar		A Series of Topics about China's Hot Issues or about Specialized Courses	R		2
Internship			R		2
Politics	1	International Relations of East Asia	E	48	3
	2	Diplomacy of Contemporary China	E	48	3
	3	China's Public Policy	E	48	3
	4	China's Social Welfare and Social Policy	E	48	3
Economics	1	China's Trade and Foreign Direct Investment	E	48	3
	2	Financial System of Contemporary China	E	48	3
	3	Comparative Analysis of Chinese and Western Financial Systems and Institutions	E	48	3
	4	Industrial and Competition Policies in China	E	48	3
	5	History of China's Economy	E	48	3
	6	Managerial Economics	E	48	3
Literature & Media	1	Intercultural Communication in the Chinese Context	E	48	3
	2	Cultural Differences in Screen and Literature	E	48	3
	3	Contemporary Chinese Media and Movies	E	48	3
	4	Understanding China through its fiction	E	48	3
History & Geography Through the Study of Tourism	1	Chinese Gastronomy Tourism	E	48	3
	2	Tourism Management in China	E	48	3
	3	Appreciating the Culture of China Through Tourism	E	48	3
	4	Western Influence on Chinese Culture after the Sixteenth Century	E	48	3
Law	1	Chinese Intellectual Property Law	E	48	3
	2	Chinese Corporate Law	E	48	3
	3	Chinese Civil Law	E	48	3
	4	Chinese Legal Culture	E	48	3
	5	Making Chinese Law	E	48	3
	6	Chinese Culture and Human Rights development	E	48	3

Philosophy	1	Early Confucianism	E	48	3
	2	The Wisdom of <i>Laozi</i> and <i>Zhuangzi</i>	E	48	3
	3	The Zhouyi (or Yijing) Book of Changes and Traditional Chinese Culture	E	48	3
	4	Chinese Buddhism	E	48	3
Design Upon Request		For example, "Cultural Heritage" courses tailored for Leiden University students			
Culture Experience	1	Ancient Chinese Characters	E	16	1
	2	Chinese Calligraphy	E	16	1
	3	Chinese Martial Arts	E	16	1
	4	Traditional Chinese Medicine	E	16	1
	5	Chinese Costume Culture	E	16	1
	6	Chinese Tea Ceremony	E	16	1
	7	Chinese Art Appreciation	E	16	1

### Notes:

- (1) R= Required course
- (2) E=Elective course
- (3) Core courses: Students are required to select at least four of the seven courses.
- (4) Internship and at least 4 Seminars are required for degree study.
- (5) Select two courses from the specialized elective courses.
- (6) Enrollment in Culture Experience courses is highly encouraged, but the credits do not count toward earning your degree.



### Credits

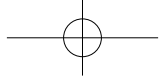
- (1) 30 credits are required for successful graduation, and no less than 18 credits can be earned from required courses.
- (2) Shandong University recognizes the credits for the same or similar courses from its cooperative institutions.
- (3) The Chinese language courses and credits taught at SDU cooperative institutions can also be recognized.
- (4) The total recognized transferred credits cannot exceed 12 credits, and no more than 3 credits can be from specialized courses due to the SDU Credit Transfer Agreement with collaborative Institutions. International student transcripts from home institutions are needed for credit transfer before applying for China Studies courses.

### Master's Thesis and Graduation

- (1) In the third year, students must finish their master's thesis, and defend it in the sixth term (in mid-May). Students can also begin their Master's thesis in the second year if they can satisfy the requirements for academic course credits.
- (2) Students should choose their supervisors upon arrival and work with them to determine their thesis topics. Thesis topics should be oriented towards solving practical problems.
- (3) Students should periodically report to the Professor Committee about the progress of their thesis and modify the thesis based on the resulting suggestions. They can then finalize their thesis for expert review.
- (4) Student Master's thesis will be sent to at least two experts for review.
- (5) Students should also be independently and actively engaged in research activities under the guidance of their supervisors.







### Fees

- (1) Registration Fee: 400 RMB/year (Note: Successful applicants must pay upon registration.)
- (2) Tuition Fee: 32,000 RMB/year
- (3) Credit Fee: 800 RMB/1 credit

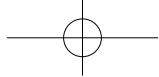
### Application and Admission Requirements

- (1) Application: 1 January – 31 May
- (2) Online Application: Self-financing applicants should apply online at <http://www.apply.sdu.edu.cn>. Paper-based applications will not be considered. (Note: The above website is only open for self-financing students. Applicants applying for scholarships shall refer to the list of scholarships.)

### Scholarships

SDU also offers a series of scholarships for current students, which include Chinese Government Scholarship-Distinguished Student Scholarship, CDB Distinguished International Student Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship for Self-finance Students, etc. For details, please contact the International Student Affairs Office.





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2) International Student Affairs Office, Department of International Affairs

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