

Lingnan (University) College, Sun Yat-sen University Fact Sheet for Exchange Students 2017-2018

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Responsibilities of IRO on Incoming Exchange Students Affairs

Assisting exchange students on application, admission, course selection
Assisting on arrival, pick-up service and registration
Advising on housing and other personal issues (buddy program)
Assisting on visa issues
Orientation and organizing activities
Academic affairs
Issuing official transcripts and study certificates

Sun Yat-sen University: <http://www.sysu.edu.cn>

Website	Lingnan(University)College: http://www.lingnan.sysu.edu.cn/ Exchange Program: http://www.lingnan.sysu.edu.cn/Category_382/Index.aspx
Nomination Deadlines	Fall semester: Apr. 15 Spring semester: Oct. 7
Application Deadlines	Fall semester: Apr. 30 Spring semester: Oct. 30
Online Application Process (exact date for online application to be announced)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Register and create your own account at: http://www.studyinsysu.com 2. Fill the application form by going through every page, upload all the necessary documents 3. Submit and download the application form in pdf format 4. Email IRO office your application package: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- SYSU application form (.pdf) -- copy of recent photo(.jpg) -- copy of passport home page(.jpg) -- CV(Resume)
Health Insurance	<p>Mandatory Medical Insurance: the Overall Insurance & Benefit for International Students, which includes Accidental Injury Medical Treatment Insurance, Outpatient and Emergency Medical Insurance, Hospitalization Medical Insurance, Loss of Life Insurance only.</p> <p>Insurance fee RMB400 / semester RMB800/ year</p>
Registration Fee	<p>RMB400/person <i>(There is no registration fee collected by Lingnan but international students will have to pay for the mandatory registration fee to the International Students Office of Sun Yat-sen University)</i></p>
Chinese Government Scholarships	<p>Exchange Students will have the opportunity to apply for the Chinese Government Scholarships (full scholarship/partial scholarship), which will cover the expenses including accommodation, medical insurance, etc during your exchange at SYSU.</p> <p>The application will be handled by the China Scholarship Council and your local Chinese Embassy. The application period is between January and April every year. Please visit the website: http://www.csc.edu.cn/Laihua/ and consult your local Chinese Embassy for more information.</p>
Academic Calendar	<p>Fall Semester : Sep.3, 2017-Jan.20, 2018 Spring Semester: Mar. 4, 2018-July 18, 2018</p>
Registration Date	<p>Fall semester: Aug. 27-Sep. 3, 2017 Spring semester: Mar. 3-4., 2018</p>

Orientation	Orientation is held after the registration and before the class begins. All exchange students are required to attend the orientation. Detailed schedule will be sent to students in advance
Language of Instruction	English
Language Requirements	Students interested in applying will need to prove their English language proficiency by providing a minimum TOELF score of 79 at the IBT test or 6.5 at the IELTS with a minimum of 5.5 in each section.
Course Requirements	There are no requirements on the amount of courses that exchange students should take. We recommend exchange students take no more than 6 courses in one semester, except that there is credit requirement from home university. Two courses designed for exchange students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - China Business Study is designed for exchange students with knowledge how Chinese business operates in domestic and global market. - Chinese Language course: both beginner level and intermediate level are available.
Courses	Course lists for semester are usually available by August (Fall semester) and January (Spring semester) http://www.lingnan.sysu.edu.cn/Category_474/Index.aspx Undergraduate students should take undergraduate courses. Master students can choose courses in the master, MBA and undergraduate programs. Students need to apply for courses online. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Course online application will be available one month before semester begins --Students need to contact their home university for course approval during the course selection period -- The 1st week of semester is for course adjustment. After that, no more course changes are accepted
Credits	Core course: 3 Chinese credits Optional course: 2 Chinese credits 1 Chinese credit = 2 ECTS
Campus Facilities	Libraries (free computer area and free internet access), banks, bookshops, post office, supermarkets, print © shops, laundry, audio-video auditorium, canteens and restaurants, clinic, etc. Sports Center and Sports Fields facilities include: Swimming Pool, Badminton Courts, Tennis Courts, Basketball Courts, Table-tennis, Soccer pitch
School Activities	The University boasts of many activities. There are frequent lectures, seminars and workshops that are all open to exchange students. There is an English/ Chinese Corner where students on campus gather

together to practice their oral English/Chinese. There are also Halloween parties, Christmas parties, and New Year's Eve Parties, etc. The university's auditorium shows movie every weekend with relatively lower price.

Accommodation

Off-campus housing

There is no accommodation on campus available for exchange students. However, students can easily look for an off-campus apartment through real estate agents near the North Gate of SYSU, which it is only 5-10 minutes' walk to Lingnan's classrooms and MBA buildings.

Both single/shared and well-furniture apartments are available for students' choices. The rent is approximately RMB2500 per month per person (electricity, water are excluded, which should be paid according to monthly actual consumption)

Volunteer buddies at Lingnan will assist exchange students on looking for a comfortable apartment.

Banking

Visa/Master cards can be accepted at most of the banks and some of the stores in Guangzhou. The maximum amount of daily withdrawal for Visa/Master cards is RMB2500.

We suggest you open a bank account once you arrive. Bank account can be easily set up at one of the banks on and near the campus. You need to bring your passport and a copy of your passport when going to open an account.

Estimated Living Costs

(living costs vary greatly, only the basic living costs are listed here)

Insurance Fee: RMB400/800 (semester/year)

Residence Permit Application Fee: RMB400-800

Housing: RMB2000-3000 /month

Food: RMB800-1000/ month

Transportation: RMB100 /month

Cell Phone: RMB100 /month

Internet: RMB80-100 /month

Others: RMB1000/month

Buddy Program

Buddy Program at Lingnan is a well-organized association. Volunteers are local students selected each semester and will be paired with exchange students to help them get acquainted with the new environment, to provide individualized and personal assistance on accommodation, transportation, pick-up service, campus life, cultural exploration, etc. Also, Buddy Program will assist to organize all kinds of activities such as Orientation, International Fair, Farewell Party, Outings, and BBQ during the semester.

Visa

The University is responsible for issuing acceptance packages (Admission letter and JW202 form) for visa application. Please check with the nearest China Embassy or Consulate for the latest visa information.

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- X2 visa will be granted those students who study in China for no more than 6 months
 - X visa will be granted to those who study in China for more than 6 months.

Students can apply for **Residence Permit at Guangzhou within 30 days upon entering China**, which allows students to enter or exit China during their exchange period.

Lingnan (University)College

Originating from Lingnan University, a private university established in the late 19th century, Lingnan (University) College was reestablished in 1989 within Sun Yat-sen University and is now one of the leading schools in economics and management in China.

Guided by Lingnan's motto "Education for Service", the College provides high quality education and research in economics, finance and management.

Lingnan offers a diversified portfolio of programs, including Undergraduate, Master's, MBA, EMBA, and PhD programs, together with international programs such as China Executive MBA, China-France MBA, and International DBA. These programs, especially the Undergraduate and MBA programs, are of the most popular and selective programs in South China.

Lingnan has an outstanding faculty with 93 members and a student population of over 3,000. As a research-active college, Lingnan is tirelessly striving for excellence in teaching and research, advancement of knowledge, development of future leaders, and service to China and the global society.

Lingnan embraces a balance between liberal arts education and specialized education, with an emphasis on the development of students with well-rounded personalities, critical skills, citizenship and global vision.

Globalization is the trademark of Lingnan (University) College. The College is actively engaged in international collaborations and has established extensive global partnerships with leading global business schools through student exchanges, faculty exchanges, double degree programs, international summer schools, study abroad trips, joint research, and academic seminars. Currently, Lingnan has established exchange agreements with over 40 partner schools from 20 countries and regions in Europe, Asian-Pacific area and North America.

Lingnan is among the select few schools that have received all three international accreditations: **AMBA, EQUIS** and **AACSB**.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.lingnan.sysu.edu.cn/EN>

Life in Guangzhou

Located at the north of the Pearl River delta, Guangzhou is an important trading center as well as a busy port and the capital city of the province of Guangdong. Guangzhou is one of the most important centers of foreign commerce in South China. Guangzhou is also the host city for the **16th Asian Games** which is held in November, 2010

History

With a history of 2,200 years, Guangzhou is regarded as the earliest among international port cities in the world. In ancient time, Guangzhou was the capital city for three Chinese dynasties: the Nan Yue (South Yue), the Nan Han (South Han) and the Nanming (South Ming); the starting point of the Silk Road on the sea which links China with Arabian and western countries in trade. It was China's only foreign trade port at sea before the Qing dynasty. The historic sights of Guangzhou include the Nan Yue King Museum, the Zhenhai Tower and the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall, which tell us the long history of Guangzhou. Today, Guangzhou retains its ancient customs while developing steadfastly into a modern and vigorous metropolitan city.

Food in Guangzhou

"Eating in Guangzhou" has become a popular saying both at home and abroad. Guangzhou ranks first in the number of restaurants and tea-houses in the country. Cantonese cuisine is good in color, fragrance, taste and presentation. In addition, the delicate Cantonese pastry is also well-known for its wide range of varieties, delicious flavor and beautiful color. Cantonese cuisine is among the most famous four in the country.

Tourist Attractions

Guangzhou is a beautiful city with ever-green scenery and flowers blooming all the year round. The city boasts of many tourist attractions, among which highlights are the Canton Tower, a new landmark of Guangzhou, the White Cloud Hill Scenic Spot, Yuexiu Park, Guangzhou Zoo, Six Banyan Temple and Flowery Pagoda, Dr. Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall, etc. In the Suburbs, there are such scenic spot on Conghua Hot Springs, Xiqiao Hill Scenic spot, Seven Star Crags, and Foshan City. Lots of tourists to Guangzhou like to cover one or two of them for out-of-city pleasure.

Shopping in Guangzhou:

Guangzhou offers a wide range of shopping experiences -- from department store and fashion boutiques to the strange world of traditional medicines and exotic foods.

Facts about Guangzhou

Population

12 million approximately

Geography

Guangzhou is the capital of Guangdong Province; it is very close to Hong Kong and Macau.



Size

Guangzhou covers an area of 1,444 square kilometers.

Main Language

Mandarin (formal language), Cantonese (dialect)

Climate

Guangzhou is located in a humid subtropical climate zone, with plenty of sunshine and rainfall, and no snow in the last 100 years. Summers are long, humid and scorching, and winters are short, mild and sunny. The yearly average temperature in Guangzhou is 22 °C (72 °F). The lowest temperatures are in January when the average low temperature is 10 °C (54 °F), which will be chilly cold, and the record highest temperature was 39 °C (102 °F) in July.

More Links to Explore Guangzhou

Life of Guangzhou: <http://www.lifeofguangzhou.com/>

Guangzhou Travel Guide: <http://www.guangzhoutravelguide.com/>

Guangzhou Highlights: <http://www.chinahighlights.com/guangzhou/>

Transportation in Guangzhou: <http://www.gzjt.gov.cn/gz-traffic-en/>

Weather Forecast in China: <http://www.weather.com.cn/english/>

Foreigners in China: <http://www.foreignercn.com/>

Travelling in China (booking flight tickets, hotel reservation):

Ctrip: <http://english.ctrip.com/>

Air China: <http://www.airchina.com.cn/en>

China Southern Airlines: <http://www.csair.com/en>