

# SICHUAN UNIVERSITY - CHINA



## About the University

Sichuan University is located in downtown Chengdu, a famous historic and cultural city known as "the land of abundance". It consists of three campuses of Wangjiang, Huaxi and Jiangan, and covers an area of 1150 acres with a floor area of 761 acres. The University, with its favorable environment and beautiful scenery, is a wonderful place for learning and doing research.

Sichuan University is actually the product of a series of mergers involving 3 national universities: the former Sichuan University, the former Chengdu University of Science and Technology, and the former West China University of Medical Sciences.

The student population consists of 38,000 undergraduates, 20,000 postgraduates, 1,400 international students, and 200 students from Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan.

To achieve the goal of turning Sichuan University into a world class comprehensive research University, SCU has implemented a new concept of "putting people first, valuing academic research, and pursuing excellence" while targeting "cultivating students into social elites with profound cultural knowledge, solid specialized foundation, strong sense of innovation, and broad global vision".

## About the city, Chengdu

Chengdu is the capital of the Sichuan Province, habitat of giant pandas and city of cotton-rose hibiscus. Located in the west of Sichuan Basin and in the center of Chengdu Plain, Chengdu covers a total area 4,749 square miles with a population of over 11 million.

Chengdu has a profound historical and cultural background featuring historic places of interest such as the Thatched Cottage of Du Fu, Wuhou Memorial Temple and Wenshu Monastery. Natural beauty abounds in Chengdu's surrounding areas such as in the Jiuzhaigou Scenic Area and Yellow Dragon Valley.

Chengdu is also one of the most important economic centers, transportation and communication hubs in Western China and is the main inland access city to Tibet.

The climate is humid subtropical, July and August average around 77°F, with afternoon highs reaching 91°F. January averages 42.1°F.



JINLI STREET

## COURSES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH

### • CHINESE LANGUAGE

Intensive Chinese Language

Non-Intensive Chinese Language

### • HUMANITIES

The historical roots of Chinese culture

Modern Chinese history: 1911-Present

China's classical literature and the identity of Chinese intellectuals

Chinese philosophy and religion

Major historical events of China before the Yuan dynasty

### • SOCIAL SCIENCES

Contemporary Chinese culture and society

Chinese politics: from historical ideas to contemporary realities

Introduction to the Chinese economy: 1949-2006

China's physical & cultural geography (Prehistoric Age – Modern Times)

### • ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Hydraulic engineering in China- 2000 years of water resource management

Panda research and preservation

Sustainable development and environment in Sichuan

### • ARTS

Chinese arts and culture

Introduction to Chinese music and theater

Introduction to Chinese calligraphy (studio)

Music instrument lessons (studio)

## ACCOMMODATION

The students dormitories offer three types of rooms to international students. All rooms are equipped with air-conditioning, telephone, color TV and internet access.

- Single Room with private bathroom/toilet - \$180/month \*
- Standard Room with shared bathroom/toilet - \$150/month \*
- Double Room with public bathroom - \$90/month \*

\* Rates are subject to change.

## TERM DATES

The Fall semester starts early September and ends late January.

The Spring semester starts early February and ends late July.

International students are encouraged to arrive to SCU one week before the term begins and departs one week after the semester ends.

Sichuan University will organize a new students orientation instructed in English. A special welcome dinner will be arranged for exchange students from partner universities.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

SUMMER: February 15th

FALL: March 15th

SPRING: September 15th



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