



兰州大学
LANZHOU UNIVERSITY



Handbook for 2017 Fall Lanzhou University

EXCHANGE STUDENTS

LANZHOU CHINA

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Welcome Information

Dear Students,

We are looking forward to welcoming you at Lanzhou University in 2017 Fall semester!

Today we are sending you the necessary information about registering for the exchange program, as well as some necessary basic information about studying and living in Lanzhou University.


Arrival

Student volunteers (buddies to exchange students) will pick up exchange students from the airport or train station upon request. For those who have sent the arrival information to your buddy, he or she will meet you at the **airport** or the **train station** and help you to take the shuttle bus or bus to LZU at your own expenses. For those who have not sent the arrival information, please contact with your buddy and confirm your arrival information as soon as possible. And for those who have changed your arrival information without notifying your buddy, or those who were not picked up by accident, please come to LZU by yourself.

If you take the flight, you could take the shuttle buses to LZU (downtown). Get off at the terminal and the main gate of LZU is right across the street. The bus fee is 30 RMB. Besides, you could also take China Railway High-speed (CRH) and get off at the final stop (Lanzhou train station). The whole journey may cost you about 50 min and every ticket fee for the 2nd class seat is 21.50 RMB.

If you take the train, you could take No.1 Bus which costs 1 RMB and get off at the stop of Lanzhou University (“兰州大学”) or you could take a taxi, which costs 10 RMB. The train station is about 20 minutes’ walking distance from LZU and you could walk directly north along Tianshui Road (“天水路”). The main gate is on your right side. Anyway, please remember to prepare cash.

Registration

Please go to the School of International Cultural Exchange (Guanyun Building  in map), Room 908, for registration on [September 5th-6th](#).

The Orientation plansto be arranged on [September 4th](#); exacttime and place will be notified upon arrival by your buddy. Your buddy will assist you to register.

Health Insurance Requirements

Exchange students must obtain health insurance for the entire length of their exchange. They must purchase the relevant insurance upon arrival at Lanzhou University (about 400RMB/semester).

Check-in

All of you will live in International Students' Building. The rooms are already assigned and will not be reassigned unless special requirements are raised and approved by the International Office and the Accommodation Administration Center. Please **DO NOT** check in before [September 2nd](#).

1. Please check in at the front-desk of Lanzhou University Reception Center. Please remember to bring the original copy of your passport. According to the exchange agreement between home and host universities, the accommodation fee paying students will be required to prepay one semester accommodation fee (4500RMB/double room, 7500RMB/single room); the accommodation fee waived students (from Dong-A University, Korea) need to pay 600 RMB as deposit, which is refundable upon departure if the room is kept in good condition. Mattresses, sheets, quilt, and pillow are provided, but they have to be returned in good condition upon departure.

2. You would access to wired internet by applying it in the Network Office (南门的网络通信中心) . It is 30 RMB a month per room. When you go to the Network Office to apply for it, please remember your dormitory' s room number and take your passport with you. If there is any problem about the Internet service, you can ask your buddy to help you contact the Internet center.

3. Please prepare suitable plug adaptor (220V) if needed.

4. Please respect the dormitory regulations and note that rooms should be cleaned by yourselves and no smoking indoors.

5. If you are allergic to some specific materials, please get fully prepared for medical treatments; also please inform us in advance.

Cash & Cards

Please prepare cash (RMB) before you arrive in Lanzhou, especially for those who will arrive beyond working hours (8:30-12:00; 14:30-18:00). For bus fees, room deposit and miscellaneous expenses, cards might not be acceptable. You could exchange money in the **Bank of China** across the street on the right side. You may ask your buddy for help.

Withdrawal cash from the bank might be impossible because some ATMs do not accept international cards, unless your cards are “China Union Pay银联” ones. You may also consult the bank accountants for help.



Campus Card

All of you will have to register for a campus card, which gives you access in and out campus and to the university cafeteria, so you should better bring it with you all the time. Please note that the campus card is recharged by a pop-up machine in the lobby of cafeteria by an PSBC (Postal Savings Bank of China) Debit Card. You could ask your buddy for help if you need to recharge.

Library (optional)*

If you want to borrow books from library, please contact International Office in advance and we will open this function for you.

Please note: this service is unable by default.

Meals

All of you should be responsible for your own meals. We remind you that mild and light food might be more friendly to you at the very beginning, and you had better not rush to try spicy food (though they are indeed delicious!) in order to avoid stomach disorders. For Muslim students, Islamic meals are available at school cafeteria or restaurants off campus. Please also consult your buddy for the local delicacies around. A bowl of Lanzhou beef noodles is highly recommended!

Visa-application

You may hold X1 visa or X2 visa only to enter Chinese border, otherwise you will be responsible for all the possible consequences. We will double check the

valid period which should cover the whole length of your stay at LZU. If not, then it is compulsory to apply for the residence permit, or you will be fined after the visa expires. **Please also make sure that your passport is valid.**

Residence permit application

The application materials include

1. Application form for residence permit (obtained from the Public Security Bureau of Lanzhou)
2. Physical exam form (explained later)
3. The yellow copy of 202 form (obtained from LZU International Office)
4. Photocopy of passport
5. Recommendation letter (obtained from LZU International Office)

After all of the documents are prepared, you can go to the Public Security Bureau of Lanzhou. Cost for a new residence permit: approx. 400 RMB/person. Your buddy will accompany you for help.

Physical-exam

For students who need to apply for the residence permit:

If you have taken the physical exam before you come to China, you can take the old form to the Gansu Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Bureau. The bureau will issue a new form for you.

If not, please go to the bureau to have physical exam (with an empty stomach in the morning).

Address: 387 East Jiayuguan Rd., Lanzhou Directions.

By Bus: No. 71 or 33 on Maijishan Rd., depart at Lankong Stop (兰空站).

Cost for taking a new physical exam: about 300 RMB each person.

Courses

1. Chinese Learning Program by the School of International Cultural Exchange:

<http://sice.lzu.edu.cn/>

2. Lanzhou University Schools and Majors

<http://faoffice.lzu.edu.cn/gjcheng/upload/doc/N20150914155604.pdf>

3. Academic Schools and laboratories

<http://en.lzu.edu.cn/Teaching/>

<http://en.lzu.edu.cn/Research/>

Please be note that the teaching plan is only available in Chinese for most study programs. Please get in touch with us for more information.

Credit System

For the experimental courses in Lanzhou University, one credit equals to 36 credit hours. For courses of other kinds, one credit corresponds to 18 credit hours. One credit hour equals to 60 minutes of class instruction. E.g. a three credit course normally consists of three lecture hours per week in one semester, since one semester consists of 18 weeks' instruction and two weeks' exam.

Important Phone Number

Emergency Call: **110**

Emergency Medical Service: **120**

Fire: **119**

International Office	86-931-8915626
Campus Information Directory Hotline	86-931-8911114
Campus Duty Room	86-931-8912333
University Hospital	86-931-8911120
Campus Security Office	86-931-8911110
Campus Security Station	86-931-8911119
Network Office	86-931-8914088
Logistics Office	86-931-8914119
Lanzhou Public Security Bureau's entry	86-931-8718611
Front Desk of the 2nd Campus Hotel	86-931-8912806

For more information, please make access to the following websites:

<http://en.lzu.edu.cn/>

<http://faoffice.lzu.edu.cn/gjcheng/>

Should there be any question, please contact us via

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The location of our Office labeled in the map.



Best regards,

International Office
Lanzhou University



Appendix I Lanzhou University

Lanzhou University (LZU) is located in Lanzhou, Gansu Province. It was founded in 1909 as the Gansu Law and Politics School. It is one of the top 39 universities funded by the 211 Project and the 985 Project of the Chinese Ministry of Education.

Currently, LZU consists of 35 schools and 3 affiliated hospitals in 6 campuses, namely, Main Campus, First Satellite Campus, Second Satellite Campus, Yuzhong Campus, Medical Campus, and Pastoral Science Campus, covering a total area of about 630.6 acres. It hosts about 20,000 undergraduate students and about 10,000 postgraduates. LZU has over 4,000 teaching and administrative staff members, among whom 9 are Academicians of Chinese Academy of Science and Chinese Academy of Engineering.

LZU has set up inclusively 12 discipline categories, namely, Science, Engineering, Law, Agronomy, Literature, History, Economics, Philosophy, Management, Medicine, Pedagogy, and Fine Arts. It is among the universities firstly authorized to offer Bachelor, Master and Doctoral degrees, to establish post-doctoral research stations, and to set up national bases for fundamental liberal and science teaching and research talents cultivation. At present, there are 8 national key disciplines, namely, Regional Economics, Particle and Nuclear Physics, Organic Chemistry, Natural Geography, Botany, Ecology, Ethnology, and Solid mechanics, and 2 national key cultivation disciplines. LZU offers 86 undergraduate programs, 235 master programs and 116 doctoral programs. There are also 17 post-doctoral research stations.

LZU has long been renowned for its fundamental research. Besides, LZU also pays great importance to the applied research. After over 100 years' development, LZU has developed its traditional and regional strengths in scientific research. Its traditional strength especially lies in the fields of chemistry, physics, biology and geography, and its regional strength is best reflected in such distinctive research areas as Dunhuang Studies, Northwest China Ethnic Studies, Qinghai-Tibet Plateau, Glaciology and Geocryology,

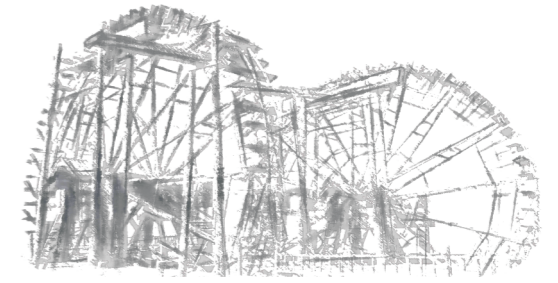
Sandstorm Control, and Arid Agriculture Ecology by making best use of its location. Since 2006, LZU has won 12 national science and technology awards, and the number of research papers included in SCI and EI and the number of cited papers have witnessed stable growth, ranking top 20th and 15th among all Chinese universities, respectively. Meanwhile, the university gives full play to its scientific and technological resources and talent advantages to actively promote its cooperation with local government and provide strong support to government's decision-making and the construction of major local projects.

LZU has 2 national key laboratories in the fields of Applied Organic Chemistry and Grassland Agro-ecosystems, and 5 key laboratories under the Ministry of Education (MOE), 1 key open laboratory under the Ministry of Agriculture, 2 key research bases for humanities and social sciences under the MOE, and etc.

Lanzhou University has long been active in developing international education exchanges and cooperation and has established academic relationships with over 150 institutions of higher learning and research organizations in the world. LZU has co-established 3 Confucius Institutes in Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Georgia.

At present, LZU has become an important base in western China for advanced personnel training, basic scientific research, high-tech research and development, and high-level decision-making consultancy. It is playing an important role in the national and regional economic and social development.

Appendix II Lanzhou



Lanzhou, located on the upper reaches of the Yellow River, is in the geometrical center of China. Lanzhou has the distinct features of a semi-arid climate, characterized by dryness and abundant sunlight. The mean yearly rainfall, temperature, sunshine time and frost-free periods are about 360mm, 10 degree, 2446 hours and 180 days, respectively.

Lanzhou has evolved a unique landscape with mountains lying in the south and north and the Yellow River flowing from west to east. To highlight the features of the city, the government is speeding up a comprehensive project on foresting the mountains and making the best use of the tourist resources along the Yellow River to create an art corridor 40 kilometers long, a collection of the cultures of the Silk Road, the Yellow River and the multiple ethnic groups.

The Yellow River nurtures people here and abundant special local products as well, such as Bailan melons, Mapi Zui melons, Hotbed chives, lily, Danban watermelon seeds, honey peaches, Kushui Rose and tobacco for water pipes, which are well-known at home and abroad.

Lanzhou was a major stop on the ancient Silk Road. Early settlement in this region dates back to the Han Dynasty with a history of over 2,000 years. The city used to be called the Golden City with literal meaning of solidness as if the wall of it were cast with metal. Ever since the Han Dynasty, Lanzhou has gradually

become vital for trades and exchanges with ethnic minority groups in western regions on the Silk Road, and has played an essential role in prompting the economic and cultural exchange with western countries.

Lanzhou is the transit stop for tourists traveling along the Silk Road. With the implementation of the Western Development Strategy of Chinese government and the international collaborative efforts to revive Silk Road to build New Silk Road,

Lanzhou will play an increasingly important role in the exchange and cooperation between China and foreign countries.

Appendix III Gansu



Gansu is a province of the People's Republic of China, located in the northwest of the country. It lies between the Tibetan and Huangtu plateaus, and borders Mongolia, Inner Mongolia, and Ningxia to the north, Xinjiang and Qinghai to the west, Sichuan to the south, and Shaanxi to the east. The Yellow River passes through the southern part of the province.

Gansu has a population of 26 million (2009), covers an area similar sized to California. The capital is Lanzhou, located in the southeast part of the province.

Gansu is abbreviated as Gān or Lǒng, and is also known as Long West or Long Right, in reference to the Long Mountain east of Gansu. In prehistoric times, Gansu was host to a number of Neolithic cultures. The Dadiwan culture, from where numerous archaeologically significant artifacts have been excavated, flourished in the eastern end of Gansu from about 6000 B.C. to about 3000 B.C. The Majiayao culture and part of the Qijia culture also took root in Gansu from 3100 BC to 2700 B.C. and 2400 B.C. to 1900 B.C. respectively.

Gansu has an area of 454,000 square kilometers. And the vast majority of its land is more than 1,000 meters (3,300 ft) above sea level. The landscape in Gansu is very mountainous in the south and flat in the north. The mountains in the south are part of the Qilian Mountains, while the far western Altyn-Tagh contains the province's highest point, at 5,830 meters (19,130 ft). A natural land passage known as Hexi Corridor, stretching some 1,000 kilometers (620 mi) from Lanzhou to the Jade Gate, is situated within the province. It is bound from north by the Gobi Desert and Qilian Mountains from the south. Gansu generally has a semi-arid to arid, continental climate, with warm to hot summers and cold to very cold winters. Most of the precipitation is delivered in the summer months. However, due to its extreme altitude and remoteness, some areas of Gansu exhibit the Subarctic Climate – with winter temperatures dropping to -40.

Gansu province is home to 30,711,287 people. Most of the population, 73%, is still rural. Gansu is 92% Han and also has Hui, Tibetan, Dongxiang, Tu, Manchu, Uyghur, Yugur, Bonan, Mongolian, Salar, and Kazakh minorities.

Campus Map

