

# Syracuse Beijing Center

Fall 2018 Academic Packet



## Deadlines:

- Submit Student Advising Form Questionnaire:  
**April 18**
- Upload Student Advising Form Signed by Advisor:  
**April 30**



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## Prepare for Registration in Beijing

### STEP 1 - Request Courses

- Review this packet and [course descriptions](#) on the Syracuse Abroad website.
- Select your courses, including several alternative course selections in your plan.
  - You need special permission from Syracuse Abroad to take any course other than those found on our website.
  - Take note of any registration restrictions found in course descriptions. For example, if you are an SU student, you may not earn credit for both ECN/PSC 380.6 at Tsinghua University and PSC 355 at SU due to similarities in the content of the two courses.
- Follow the online instructions to complete the Student Advising Form (SAF):
  - Log into [OrangeAbroad](#). Go to **Learning Content** > *Academic Packet*.
- Submit your SAF by **April 18**. Be sure to hit “**Submit**.” (Don’t simply print your SAF!)
  - Do NOT submit more than one questionnaire.



### STEP 2 - Seek Advising and Upload Signed SAF to OrangeAbroad

- Print the PDF of your submitted SAF (emailed to you after submission), and take it to your advisor(s) for signature(s) and to ensure your course plan will keep you on track for graduation.
  - It is helpful to print and provide your advisor with [descriptions](#) of all the courses you want to have approved.
- Upload the SAF signed by your advisor(s) to [OrangeAbroad](#) by **April 30**.
  - Upload to **Questionnaire: Student Advising Form** (*with Advisor’s Signature*). Be sure to hit “**Submit**” (not “Save”). Only **legible PDF files** will be accepted.
  - Syracuse Abroad will record any changes made on your uploaded SAF as a result of consultation with your advisor(s). **Please correctly indicate whether you have made any changes to your original selections.**
- You can access the uploaded form by returning to the Questionnaire in OrangeAbroad at any time. You may want to take a printed copy to Beijing to refer to when you register.

## Grading and Academic Resources

- Grades for Tsinghua University courses may not post to your SU transcript until **February**, so you should ensure that this timing will not adversely affect you academically or in terms of financial aid awarding.
  - At Syracuse University, all work for registered classes must be completed on or before the degree certification date. If you are graduating, you should seek advice from your home college regarding your degree certification date, and also be certain that you are aware of any remaining degree requirements.
- Information on enrollment policies, grades, SU library resources, registration, and independent research can be found on the [Preparing To Go website](#). Visiting students should also look at this site for information on transfer credit and [requesting an SU transcript](#).
- You should carefully review [academic policies](#) applicable to all Syracuse Abroad programs.
- If you need to take an [online course](#) during a semester abroad, first review Syracuse Abroad-specific policy.
- You must make arrangements **in advance** to do coursework on an [independent research basis](#), if needed to satisfy a degree requirement. Due date for proposals is **May 15**.
- You should regularly check your \_\_\_@syr.edu email for messages from Syracuse Abroad.

## Course Information

### Program Requirements

**Graduate students** are expected to register as full-time students, for at least 9 credits.

**All undergraduates** are required to take the following:

- **The Beijing Signature Seminar**, PSC/GEO/IRP 300.1 – [The Other China: Ethnic Minorities, Development, and the Environment](#) (3 credits), with coursework and activities throughout the semester. You may not drop the Signature Seminar. (**Graduate students** may take the Signature Seminar as an Independent Study project with additional work. If interested in this option, discuss it first with your academic advisor, and then with the Beijing Program Director if it meets with your advisor’s approval.)
- **15-19 credits**, including credits for the Signature Seminar. You must have approval from your home college to register for more than 19 total credits, including the Signature Seminar. Visiting students must seek approval from Syracuse Abroad. Registration over 19 credits is subject to additional per-credit tuition charges.
- **A Chinese language course**. See the following for more information.



## Chinese Language

Registration in a Chinese language course is required of undergraduates. Your level will be based on a placement exam taken in Beijing. If you are a native Chinese speaker and completed high school in China, you may be exempt from the language requirement.

→ Obtain initial approval for the most appropriate Chinese language course(s) based on your background in the language. Refer to the [course descriptions](#) on our website and consult with an advisor in the languages department of your school to select the appropriate language level.

### Non-intensive Mandarin at Syracuse Beijing Center

If you have no Mandarin background, you may opt to take a non-intensive language course taught at our Beijing Center exclusively to our program's students. This option is for beginning students only and meets 1½ hours a day, four days a week, for 13 weeks.

- CHI 101 - [Chinese I](#) (4 credits)

### Intensive Mandarin Language at Tsinghua University

If you want intensive instruction in Mandarin (at beginning through advanced levels), you will enroll in the Tsinghua University language program and take one of these multi-module Mandarin courses alongside other international students:

- CHI 180 - [Intensive Chinese 1](#) (4-10 credits)
- CHI 280 - [Intensive Chinese 2](#) (4-10 credits)
- CHI 380 - [Intensive Chinese 3, 4, or 5](#) (3-10 credits)
- CHI 480 - [Intensive Chinese 6, 7, or 8](#) (3-10 credits)

Each level includes a 3- or 4-credit **required** comprehensive course plus:

- At the **CHI 180 or 280 level**, you may also select from modules (worth 2-4 credits) focusing on listening and speaking.
- At the **380 level**, you may also select from modules (2-3 credits) focusing on listening, speaking, and reading.
- At the more **advanced CHI 480 level**, you may also select from modules (1-2 credits) focusing on writing, speaking, and reading and/or electives (1 credit each) including Classical Chinese, Business Chinese, Advanced Grammar, and Chinese Culture.

If you choose to take all modules offered at a given level, you will earn 10 credits and be in language classes for 15 hours per week. Please note that Tsinghua language courses are not direct equivalents to U.S. university Chinese courses and may repeat some previous study.



## Additional Courses

You may register for two to four additional classes (depending on the number of CHI language credits taken) from Center Courses, Tsinghua University courses taught in English, and Tsinghua courses in Mandarin.

### Beijing Center Course Offerings

All Beijing program students must take at least one Center course. These courses are taught in English, carry 3 credits, and are offered based on sufficient student interest. Syracuse University reserves the right to cancel a course due to low interest or to change the course format to an independent study.

- ANT 403/HST 443 - [Culture, Confucianism and Chinese Modernity](#)
- COM 400.1 - [Chinese Media and Mass Communications](#)
- ECN 300.1 - [China and the World Economy](#)
- FLL/HST 300.1 - [The Changing Faces of China: Evolving Chinese Cultural Identities](#)
- GEO/HST 300.2 - [Exploring Beijing: The Historical Geography of the Chinese Capital](#)
- PSC 431/PAI 515 - [China in Transition](#)

### Tsinghua University Courses Taught in English

If you have a strong academic record (cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher) and have succeeded in high-level college math courses, you may enroll in up to two courses taught in English offered at Tsinghua University (TU) in accounting, economics, or finance. Please see the list of [course descriptions](#) for more information. Undergraduate TU courses preapproved for Syracuse University credit are identified by the 280, 380, 480 or 580 course number.

Not all of these courses will be available this semester. We cannot guarantee specific course offerings at this time. **Therefore, you should not count on taking or fulfilling specific degree requirements with a particular TU course, but should have several alternative courses approved by your home college.**

Tsinghua University's exam schedule may require you to stay beyond the regular Syracuse Beijing program end-date of December 18.

The following undergraduate TU courses have been offered in recent fall semesters. A confirmed list of offerings will not be available until just before the start of classes. These courses carry 3 credits unless otherwise noted:

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| ACC 480.1 <a href="#">Auditing</a> <sup>1</sup>                                  | ECN 380.5 <a href="#">Behavioral Economics</a> <sup>5</sup>               |
| ACC 480.2 <a href="#">Topics in International Accounting</a> <sup>1</sup>        | FIN 380.3 <a href="#">Financial Institutions</a> <sup>1</sup> (2 credits) |
| ACC 480.3 <a href="#">Financial Statement Analysis</a> <sup>1</sup>              | FIN 380.4 <a href="#">Investment</a> <sup>1</sup>                         |
| CRS 380.1 <a href="#">Business Communication</a> <sup>2</sup> (2 credits)        | FIN 380.5 <a href="#">Corporate Finance</a> <sup>1</sup>                  |
| ECN 380.2 <a href="#">Intermediate Microeconomics</a> <sup>3</sup>               | MIS 380.1 <a href="#">Enterprise Resource Planning</a>                    |
| ECN 380.4 <a href="#">Environmental &amp; Resource Economics</a> <sup>4, 5</sup> |   |

<sup>1</sup> Closed to SU School of Management majors and minors.

<sup>2</sup> For matriculated SU Management Majors, this course counts as a Free Elective.

<sup>3</sup> This course is open to **visiting** (non-SU) **students only**.

<sup>4</sup> For matriculated SU students, this course counts as an economics elective.

<sup>5</sup> For matriculated SU Management Majors, this course counts as an ECN 300+ option.



Graduate-level TU courses pre-approved for SU credit fall under the Public Administration & International Affairs rubric. The courses listed below are **open to graduate students only**. These are examples of past fall semester offerings; a confirmed list of Fall 2018 TU courses taught in English will not be available until just before the start of classes.

- PAI 680.1 [Comparative Politics & Government](#)
- PAI 680.2 [China Economic Development: Theory & Practice](#)
- PAI 680.3 [Governance and Development](#)
- PAI 680.4 [China's Social Policy](#)
- PAI 680.5 [International Political Economy](#)
- PAI 680.6 [Frontier in Public Policy & Practice](#)
- PAI 680.7 [Analytic Methods for Public Administration](#)
- PAI 680.8 [Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development Practice](#)
- PAI 680.9 [Urbanization and Social Development](#)
- PAI 680.60 [Politics and Government in China](#)

## Tsinghua University Courses Taught in Mandarin

If you have advanced oral and written proficiency in Mandarin and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, you may request to enroll in a maximum of two courses offered at Tsinghua University and taught in Chinese. If you are exempt from language study, completed high school in China, and meet the minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, you may take additional courses at Tsinghua University. In Beijing, you will plan your full schedule and design a program of study based on your academic background from among course offerings at our Center and at Tsinghua U. (All students are required to take at least one [Beijing Center course](#)).

- Because we cannot guarantee enrollment in a specific Tsinghua school or department, you should not count on meeting specific degree requirements with Tsinghua University courses. Note that these courses must be approved for credit at Syracuse University.
- Tsinghua University's exam schedule may require you to stay until early to mid-January due to exam scheduling; however, students will be able to return to their home campuses by the start of their spring semester.

