

# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

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# Master's degree



# Chinese Studies, Master of Arts (MA)

Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg • Würzburg

### Overview

Degree	Master of Arts in Chinese Studies
In cooperation with	Peking University
Teaching language	<ul> <li>English</li> <li>Chinese</li> <li>Other teaching language</li> </ul>
Languages	Language courses are taught in Chinese and Japanese. Content courses are taught in English and Chinese.
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	15 March for the programme starting in following winter semester
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Yes
Additional information on tuition fees	Tuition fee only for the study semester at PKU (15,000 RMB)
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	Yes
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	The Master of Arts programme in Chinese Studies is research-focused. Students may choose one of two tracks as a study focus: "Heritage and Innovation" or "Transformation in Contemporary China". Both tracks offer intensive language training in modern Chinese, pre-modern Chinese and Japanese. Lectures and courses in the Heritage and Innovation track concentrate on societal and cultural transformation from the late Tang to the late Qing dynasty (800 to 1900). The Transformation in Contemporary China track offers modules on contemporary politics in transformation, societal modernisation, and the political economy of transition. Methodological training for both the pre-modern and the contemporary Chinese studies track is integrated in every semester.

# **Course Details**

Course organisation	The Master of Arts programme is organised into four semesters. Students earn 120 ECTS credit points in 50 hours of coursework per week. The third semester (September to January) is taught at Peking University (European Chinese Language and Culture Programme [ECLC] at the School of International Studies [SIS]). Students write their Master's theses during the fourth semester.  **PDF Download**
International elements	<ul> <li>Integrated study abroad unit(s)</li> </ul>
Integrated study abroad unit(s)	The third semester is a fully integrated semester at Peking University (PKU) organised by the European Language and Culture Programme (ECLC) at the School of International Studies at PKU.
Integrated internships	The Chinese Studies Master of Arts programme is research-focused. Internships are not part of the programme, but they can be done within a term of leave.
Course-specific, integrated German language courses	No
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	Yes

# Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Yes
Additional information on tuition fees	Tuition fee only for the study semester at PKU (15,000 RMB)
Semester contribution	There are generally no tuition fees at the University of Würzburg. However, you must pay the semester contribution each semester for enrolment or registration. The student contribution includes a semester ticket that allows you to use public transportation all throughout the beautiful city of Würzburg.  Student contribution: approx. 146 EUR
Costs of living	The cost of living in Würzburg is low compared to other German cities. Of course, this strongly depends on your individual lifestyle, but you should expect monthly costs of about 940 EUR.  • Food: 250 EUR  • Rent: 350 EUR  • Health insurance: 110 EUR  • Other: 212 EUR  • Broadcasting fees (AZDBS/GEZ): 18 EUR
Funding opportunities within the university	No

### Requirements / Registration

# Academic admission requirements

- Bachelor's degree in Chinese studies or related fields, grade for immediate admission of 1.9 (German grading system) or better
- A diploma certificate and documents are needed for enrolment.
- Interviews (with foreign applicants by phone/Internet) will be held with all candidates.

#### Language requirements

A very good command of English (minimum B2) and Chinese (Mandarin) is required. More details can be found here.

#### Application deadline

15 March for the programme starting in following winter semester

#### Submit application to

Universität Würzburg Institut für Sinologie Am Hubland 97074 Würzburg Germany

or via e-mail: michael.leibold@uni-wuerzburg.de

#### **Services**

#### Possibility of finding parttime employment

- Students from countries within the EU and the EEA are on equal terms in the labour market and are allowed to work during their course of study.
- Students from other countries are allowed to work 120 full days or 240 half days per year (which also includes voluntary internships). If you would like to work more, you will need permission from the employment agency ("Agentur für Arbeit") or the immigration office.
- Important: Be sure your studies will not suffer if you have a side job!

#### Accommodation

The Student Housing Service ("Studentenwerk") is responsible for 10 dormitories in various locations in Würzburg.

#### Amenities:

- Single and double rooms or rooms in apartments in which two to four students share a kitchen and a bathroom.
- All rooms and apartments are furnished.
- Dishes, cooking items, bedding, and towels are not provided.
- You can find more information about the individual dormitories here.

#### Length of stay:

- The rental contracts of the "Studentenwerk" are temporary contracts.
- The fixed-term rental contracts of the "Studentenwerk" can be terminated in writing with two months' notice for the following deadlines: 31 March or 30 September.

#### Application:

- Deadlines: 15 June for the winter semester and 15 January for the summer semester (The student housing service must receive the security deposit of 300 EUR by this date.)
- You will receive further information about applying for housing in your letter of acceptance.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Accompanying programme
- Specialist counselling
- Tutors
- Visa matters

### **Contact**

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