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Denmark – China



Before leaving for Beijing

A guide for students at
SDC Master's programmes



Before leaving for Beijing there are a few practical matters you have to take care of:

- ✓ Send bachelor diploma to the Danish SDC Office
- ✓ Apply for visa
- ✓ Buy insurance
- ✓ Apply for SU and/or Udlandsstipendium
- ✓ Deregister from the Danish national register
- ✓ Send documents to the Danish Tax authorities
- ✓ Get vaccinations
- ✓ Sign up for dorm room

Diploma

When you have completed your Bachelor's programme, please forward your diploma to the Danish SDC Office at contact@sdc.university. If you do not expect to receive your diploma before study start, please let us know. It is also important that you inform us if you have any remaining exams in the summer of 2017.

Visa

The visa application process may take up to 2-3 weeks. Please take note that you need to be in Beijing 24 August, when the SDC introduction week begins.

You must apply for a X1 Student Visa (issued to those intending to study in China for a period of more than 180 days).

Please be aware that you cannot apply for your visa before you have received an admission notice from the University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS), a Visa Application for Study in China (JW-202) and a form to fill out about your travel records since 2015. The Danish SDC Office will send you these documents in June/July.

Applicants residing in Denmark should apply for visa at the Chinese Visa Application Service Center. You can apply by post or by visiting the center. The address is Lyngbyvej 28, st.tv., 2100 Copenhagen Ø.

When you apply for X1 visa for studying in China, please follow the guide from the Chinese Visa Application Service Center. You can disregard the "special notes" which do not apply to you.

In the guide it is also stated that: "We kindly remind you that: Holders of an X1-Visa must apply for a residence permit from the immigration department of the local public security authority in the place intended to stay within 30 days of entry to China."

If you have any questions about the residence permit you can get advice from the SDC staff after arrival in Beijing.

Doing the health examination

SDC will help you do the obligatory health examination. All foreigners who come to China to study for longer than 6 months (i.e. those on an X1 visa) are required to undergo a health examination. The health check should be carried out within 7 days after arriving in China. SDC will arrange for everybody to go together for the health examination in the week following your arrival. In other words you do not need to do the health check at home before leaving.

If you choose to do it at home anyway, make sure to bring all the original documentation with you to China. You can find the foreigners physical examination form [here](#). Bring the form to your doctor who will help you do the various examinations. Make sure to get everything stamped and signed.

If you have any questions about applying for visa, please contact the Chinese Visa Application Service Center directly. You will find their contact information [here](#). You are also welcome to contact the Danish SDC Office at contact@sdc.university

Please notice that your admission notice and JW202 form may not be returned together with your passport and visa. We therefore advise you to make a copy of your documents. Ask the Chinese Visa Application Service Center to return the originals. If they do not, then bring the copies with you to China.

Also, check the remaining validity of your passport. It has to be at least two years.

Insurance

We strongly recommend that you take out a travel insurance. Usually travel insurances will not cover for a two-year stay abroad, so often special agreements are necessary. Current students have primarily taken out, and recommend, insurance at [StudenterForsikring.dk](#), [Europæiske Rejseforsikring](#), [Gouda](#) and [AON](#) (through Danish Students Abroad).

To avoid a possible waiting period between first and second year it is advisable to pay for both years of insurance before leaving Denmark. Remember that you are not entitled to free health care in Denmark, while you are visiting Denmark during holidays, so your insurance should cover vacations abroad.

Please remember this is only a guidance and based on information gathered from current students. Consult your preferred insurance company for further information.

SU

Please be aware that you cannot begin your SU application before you have received the UCAS admission notice.

If you are eligible for SU (the Danish State Educational Support) you can apply via [SU-Styrelsen's \(The Danish Education Support Agency\) on-line Fast Track](#).

Udlandsstipendium

If you have to pay tuition you may be eligible to receive the Danish Udlandsstipendium (scholarship for studying abroad) to cover tuition. To find out if you are eligible, please go to [SU-styrelsen](#) (The Danish Education Support Agency) for more information.

You apply via [SU Styrelsen's on-line Fast Track](#).

Please be aware that you cannot begin your Udlandsstipendium application before you have received the UCAS admission notice.

Every six months, SU-Styrelsen will need documentation for your continuous study in China. For this, a form can be found at SDC's intranet platform Moodle. The form needs a signature from the SDC Office in China. It is your own responsibility to remember to fill out this documentation.

Who has to pay tuition?

Please read the following carefully to see if you have to pay tuition to attend the programme.

- **Danish citizens**

You have to pay tuition if you at the time of application are not enrolled at a Danish university. However, you may be eligible to receive the Danish "Udlandsstipendium" to cover your tuition fee. To find out if you are eligible, please go to [SU-styrelsen](#). Most Danish citizens will be eligible.

You do NOT have to pay tuition if you at the time of application are enrolled at a Danish University – either in a Bachelor's programme, a full Danish Master's programme or a Danish supplementary course in connection to a Danish Bachelor or Danish Professional Bachelor's programme.

- **Non-EU citizens**

For all non-EU citizens the tuition fee for all Master's programmes at SDC is 40,000 RMB a year.

- **EU/EØS citizens**

You have to pay tuition if you at the time of application are not enrolled as a student at a Danish university either in a Bachelor's programme, a full Danish Master's programme or supplementary courses. However, if you are equated with Danish citizens, who are required to pay tuition, you may be eligible to receive the Danish Udlandsstipendium (scholarship for studying abroad) to cover tuition.

To find out if you are eligible, please go to [SU-styrelsen](#) (The Danish Education Support Agency) for more information.

You do not have to pay tuition if you at the time of application are enrolled at a full Danish Bachelor's programme, a full Danish Master's programme or a Danish supplementary course.

The Danish Tax authorities

You have to inform the Danish Tax authorities that you are moving to China. This is done by filling out document [no. 04.029](#) and sending it to the Danish Tax authorities (SKAT).

Vaccinations

You might need special vaccinations when traveling to Beijing. Ask your doctor or check [Statens Serum Institut](#)

Deregister from the national register

Before leaving Denmark it is necessary to deregister from the national register (Folkeregisteret). This is done by contacting your local municipality, and information can usually be found on their website. This also means that you are not entitled to free health care should you visit Denmark during your stay in China.

Sign up for dorm room

UCAS offers accommodation on campus for approximately 1,800 RMB a month. The dorm rooms are single rooms, and they are equipped with necessary furniture. You will receive an application form for dorm rooms early June. If you sign up for a dorm room in June you will be guaranteed a room at semester start.

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