

Study environment at SDC – activities in 2021

Even though teaching is online, we want to make sure that you get the opportunity to hang out with your fellow students in Denmark and we will help you build a good study environment online together with your fellow students in China and Europe. In short, we want to ensure that you get some of the Sino-Danish experience, even if you will not be travelling to China in August. Below we have collected some of the initiatives we have planned for you. More details on the individual activities will follow and expect more events throughout the semester. For info on dates and location, check out the calendar at the end of this document.

Physical seminars and meetings in Denmark

Since we cannot be together in China, we arrange physical meetings and seminars in Denmark to allow you to form closer bonds with fellow students in Denmark and Europe. These activities will also feature some online participation of your fellow students from China.

Meet-and-greets + online meeting

In May 2021, you can meet fellow students and SDC staff at meet-and-greets in Denmark. We want to give you the opportunity to ask any questions you might have in relation to the upcoming semester, being a student at SDC, and to talk to your fellow students over a drink.

Students from 2020 cohort will join the meetings too, so this will be a great opportunity to ask questions about their experiences from studying online at SDC.

We will send you an invitation and registration shortly.

If you are not in Denmark, don't worry - we will follow up the meet-and-greets with an online meeting on 31 May.

For more details on dates, times and locations, check the calendar below.

24-hour seminar in Denmark in August

We invite all Danish and international students to join a 24-hour seminar 10 – 11 August in Denmark. Usually, we mix social and academic activities and have a lot of fun.

Seminar in Denmark in late October

We invite you for a seminar again in late October. By this time, you will be seasoned students of SDC, and the focus of the seminar will be on boosting motivation, strengthening intercultural competencies and having fun.



Online activities with fellow students in China and Europe

All SDC's Chinese students will gather at the campus in China and will follow online teaching and participate in online activities from there. We also have students joining the programs online from different locations in Europe. We plan several initiatives for you to get to know each other and learn how to collaborate long-distance.

Culture buddies

It has always been part of being a student at SDC to form friendships and collaborate across cultural and national backgrounds. We do not want you to miss this rewarding and challenging experience even though social life with fellow students in China and outside Denmark is going to be online. That is why we launch a "Culture Buddy" programme. Those of you who are interested will be put together with one or more of your Chinese fellow students and we will help you get started. More info on the concept will follow. We will send you an invitation and registration form late May.

Online intro for all students

We have arranged an intensive introduction week for you 19 – 25 August (no activities during the weekend). Here, you will get to know your fellow students through various challenges, games and exercises.

Online class intro

For this part of the introduction week, you will be divided into your respective programmes for activities arranged by lecturers and staff of the study programmes.

Other activities

Students' blue book

Not all activities will involve meeting and talking. Considering that you will have around 150 fellow students, it might be a while before you have had the opportunity to meet them all. Therefore, we will compile a students' blue book that will serve as your encyclopaedia of all fellow students.

We will send you a template and an instruction in late June, and hopefully the blue book will be ready in August.

Activities arranged by your own student associations

SDC has two student associations – the ZhongDan Team (ZhongDan means China-Denmark in Chinese) and the Student Forum.

The ZhongDan Team is made up of both Chinese, Danish and International students and organizes all kinds of social activities such as talks, games and parties. Activities can include both online activities and physical activities in China and Denmark, respectively. Joining the ZhongDan team is a great way to get to know students from both Denmark, China and abroad.

The Student Forum represents all students of SDC in SDC's formal organisation and this is where you can influence and make your voice heard on all matters related to teaching, study administration and more. Like the ZhongDan Team, the Student Forum is made up of both Chinese, Danish and International students.

We will let you know more about how to join etc. in the intro week.

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Calendar

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Meet-and-greet in Aalborg	26 May, 5 – 7 p.m. CET	TBA
Meet-and-greet in Copenhagen	27 May, 5 – 7 p.m. CET	DGI-byen
Meet-and-greet in Aarhus	28 May, 5 – 7 p.m. CET	Scandic Aarhus City
Online meeting w. students of year group 2020	31 May, 4 – 5, p.m. CET.	Online – link will be sent to you
Students' blue book	Late June - August	Home "assignment"
Culture buddy	Start-up in June	Online
24-hour seminar in Denmark	10 – 11 August	Middelfart, Denmark
Intro	19 – 20 and 23 – 25 August	Online
Program/class intro	26 – 27 August (TBC)	Online
Student association start-up	Semester start (TBC)	Online
Seminar in Denmark	29 – 30 Octo- ber (TBC)	Denmark and online
Activities by ZhongDan team	Throughout semes- ter	Online/physical

Organizers

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