

## Study environment at SDC – activities in 2022

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. In short, we want to ensure that you get some of the Sino-Danish experience, even if you may 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 more events will follow 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**

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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.

#### **SDC Study Hubs**

We have arranged rooms for you in Aarhus (Aarhus University 1420, 214), Aalborg (TBA), and Copenhagen (The Station, Frederiksberg), which you can incorporate into your daily study routine. The Hubs “belong to the students”, which means that the Hub will only be as fun and exciting as you make them. We encourage cross disciplinary and social activities of any sort. In May and June, the current cohorts will invite you to participate in social gatherings.

#### **Meet-and-greets + online meeting**

In May 2022, 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 2021 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 – you are still welcome to join. We will also 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 9-10 of August in Denmark. Usually, we mix social and academic activities and have a lot of fun. You will also be able to meet your Head of Programme and fellow students from previous cohorts.

#### **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 collaboration, motivation, and strengthening intercultural competencies while having fun.

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## **Online activities with fellow students in China and Europe**

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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 intensive introduction days for you 15 – 17 of August (no activities during the weekend). Here, you will get to know your fellow students through various challenges, games, and exercises.

### **Online class intro**

During week 33 or 34, you will be divided into your respective programmes for activities arranged by lecturers and staff of the individual study programmes.

## **Other activities**

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### **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 early September.

## **Activities arranged by your own student associations**

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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 Copenhagen	25 May, 4:30 – 7 p.m. CET	DGI-Byen
Meet-and-greet in Aalborg	23 May, 5 – 7:30 p.m. CET	Aalborg – Comwell Hvide Hus
Meet-and-greet in Aarhus	30 May, 4:30 – 7 p.m. CET	Scandic Aarhus City
Online meeting w. students of year group 2021	31 May, 4 – 5, p.m. CET.	<a href="https://aarhusuniversity.zoom.us/j/68764453458">https://aarhusuniversity.zoom.us/j/68764453458</a>  Meeting ID: 687 6445 3458
Culture buddy	Start-up in June	Online
Students' blue book	Late August	Home "assignment"
Student Seminar 1 in Middelfart, Denmark	9 – 10 August	Huset Middelfart, Denmark
Online Intro Week	15-17 August	Online
Program/class intro	During week 33 or 34	Online
Student association start-up	Early September	Online
Student Seminar 2 in Aarhus, Denmark	27 – 29 October	Aarhus, Denmark
Activities by ZhongDan team	Throughout semester	Online/physical

## Organizers

The SDC offices in Denmark and China in collaboration with Roskilde University.

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