

BRITISH COUNCIL – FUJIAN SCHOLARSHIP



THINK CHINA THINK GENERATION UK

Generation UK is a campaign launched by the British Council in 2013 that aims to help you to boost your employability and develop a global mindset by creating more opportunities for UK students in China.

The **British Council – Fujian Scholarship** is jointly funded by the British Council in China and the Fujian Provincial Education Department and is for UK students looking to undertake a term of study (approximately five months) in Fujian.

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

The scholarship covers the following for the full period of study in Fujian:

- Tuition fees in Fujian
- Accommodation fees
- Living allowance of 1200 RMB per month (approximately 120 GBP)
- Medical insurance

You will need to cover the cost of your own flights, visas, vaccinations and any other costs related to your travel.

COURSE AND UNIVERSITIES

A total of four universities across Fujian are participating in this initiative. Scholarship awardees will undertake intensive Chinese language training, with opportunities to learn about China's culture,

economy and business environment. Language training courses will include approximately 20 hours of taught classes per week and will begin in September 2015.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for all scholars is located on the university campus in international student dormitories.

Rooms are normally shared with another scholar or international student and are fully furnished.

WHY TAKE PART?

THINK **BUSINESS**

For the past 30 years, the Chinese economy has sustained an average growth of 8% of GDP per year. The job market nowadays is increasingly borderless and experience in China allows you to compete more effectively in the world economy. As the world's most populated country, China is host to almost one-fifth of the world's population. Also, as

an economic powerhouse, it's the world's biggest exporter and second largest importer, and is a country of increasing importance in the international arena. Businesses and organisations from across the globe are engaging with China at various levels and, as such, experience in China is something that is increasingly valued by employers.

THINK **LANGUAGE**

Graduates who can speak more than one language will have a significant competitively advantage in today's job market. Staff with language skills are seen by businesses as being more likely to appreciate the need for intercultural communication

skills. The CBI's 'Education and skills survey 2010' revealed that most employers (65%) are looking for conversational ability in another language to help break the ice with customers or suppliers.

THINK **ADVENTURE**

Living and studying in China is an adventure – you will find yourself facing new and unexpected situations. Overcoming these obstacles and learning to manage your life within another culture

can be a challenge, but it will also equip you with more life skills. Generation UK will enhance your personal development, your job opportunities and your confidence.

THINK **FUN!**

Not only will you acquire a broader range of skills to offer a future employer, you will also have a lot of fun at the same time. Students who study abroad often say that it is one

of the best times of their lives with amazing opportunities to travel, make friends from around the world and try out new hobbies and experiences.

THINK **SUPPORT**

If you are awarded a scholarship, you will be put in contact with all other successful scholarship candidates before leaving the UK for China. Far

from being on your own in China, you will have access to a great network of friends and contacts both in your city and around China for when you arrive.

THINK **LEGACY**

As a British Council - China Scholar, you will join a growing community of programme alumni once your scholarship has come to an end. The British Council has been awarding UK students scholarships to study in China since the 1970's, many of whom have gone on to have fantastic

careers on the back of their experience in China. Whatever your next step after your scholarship finishes, being a member of this vibrant community will give you the opportunity to maintain your engagement with China and build connections with our inspiring alumni.

THINK **FUJIAN**

Fujian is a relaxed area of China with a tropical climate. It has a very slow and tranquil pace of life which is reflected in the people of Fujian who are warm and welcoming. It is a good place to practise your Chinese and the cost of living is cheaper than some of the bigger cities in China. Fujian is one of the more affluent provinces in China with many industries spanning tea production, clothing and sports

manufacturers. Many multinational firms have operations in Fujian. They include Boeing, Dell, GE, Kodak, Nokia, Siemens, Swire, TDK and Panasonic.

If you wish to find more about Fujian before you arrive we suggest looking at the eCity Guide. www.echinacities.com.

We recommend that you research flights, visas, vaccinations and a living budget before you come to China.



HOW TO APPLY

The Universities that you can choose to apply from are:

福州大学

• Fuzhou university

福建师范大学

• Fujian Normal University

厦门大学

• Xiamen University

集美大学

• Jimei University

You will be able to apply to up to three universities on your application form. We will try to ensure that you are allocated your first choice, however this cannot be guaranteed as places are subject to availability.

Please send the application form which can be found on our website www.britishcouncil.org/china-education-generationuk.htm

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