

STL 2019-2020 Fact Sheet for Exchange or Visiting Students

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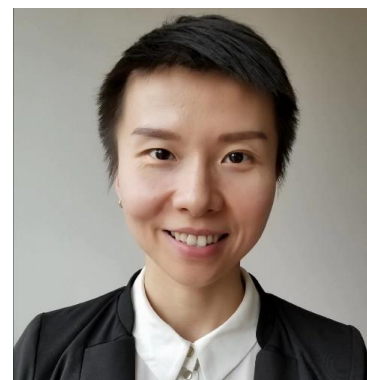


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Peking University School of Transnational Law (“STL”)

Each year, STL welcomes a significant number of international students to our campus. Students may attend as a full-time degree student enrolled in our J.D. or LL.M. programs, through an official exchange program with one of our university partners, or through our visiting student program. Taking courses alongside their Chinese classmates, international students have a wonderful opportunity to immerse themselves in transnational law and experience the daily life and culture of China.

Visiting students may study at STL for one academic quarter or up to one full academic year. Students can choose from courses offered by our J.D. program taught in English and/or courses offered by our China law J.M. program taught in Chinese.

Nomination

The Number of Nominees: Each partner school may nominate up to the number of students agreed upon by the partners.

Information of Nominees: Home schools should be responsible for the selection of exchange students and provide the required information of nominees to the host school before the listed deadline, including the name and email address of nominated students.

Nomination Deadline:

Fall Semester (from August to January): March 15;

Spring Semester (from February to July): October 15.

Application

Application Deadline: It varies from year to year

Fall Semester: April 10, 2019;

Spring Semester: November 10, 2019.

Application Process:

1. Step One: Please visit the link for the [online application portal](#). Here are the detailed step-by-step [instructions](#). When completed, the system will produce an application report.
2. Step Two:
Scanned materials: Please send scanned copies of all the items listed in application materials to the following email: daizheng@stl.pku.edu.cn.

Application Materials:

1. The application report listed in the application process;
2. Personal statement. Please limit your statement to no more than 750 words;
3. Resume or curriculum vitae;
4. Scanned information page of passport;



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5. Passport-sized photo (digital version of high resolution, can be e-mailed as a JPG file);
6. Proof of Chinese proficiency (for Chinese law J.M. courses only).

Admission Notification

We usually mail out the original admission notification and invitation letter to exchange students in June for the fall semester and in January for the spring semester.

Visa-related Information

Chinese embassies or consulates in different countries may require different visa documents, so please research the information on the Chinese embassy website of your country. Normally they will need following documents from STL:

1. Admission Notification;
2. Invitation Letter;
3. Visa Application for Study in China (JW202) which is issued by Chinese government and CANNOT be reissued if lost. So please be careful to keep this form.

The Types of Visa

1. For one year exchange students: Students should apply for an X1 visa which is a long-term visa (more than 180 days). X1 visa holders are required to apply for a residence permit within 30 days after they enter China. **OR**
2. For one-semester exchange students: Students should apply for an X2 visa which is a short-term study visa (less than 180 days). There are three types of X2 visas: single-entry, double-entry, and multiple-entry. You may enter China only once using a single-entry visa. You may not leave China after entry (e.g., for Hong Kong or Macau) and re-enter China unless you have a double-entry visa (in which case you may make one trip out and re-enter on the same visa) or a multiple-entry visa (in which case you may leave China and re-enter as often as you would like for the duration of the visa). The number of entries is entirely up to the discretion of the embassy.

Course Selection

STL provides various J.D. and J.M. courses for exchanges. A list of courses taught by STL and visiting faculty is published before the beginning of each academic year. Most courses are offered every year. For a list of courses offered at STL, please visit:

<http://stl.pku.edu.cn/academics/curriculum-and-course-offerings/>.

The Director of International Programs will communicate with students on registration options and procedures.

Grading and Transcript

Grading Policy

All students at the Peking University School of Transnational Law are awarded letter grades for their coursework. However, it is the law school's policy not to rank its students on the basis of GPA or academic performance. The following are the faculty's guidelines for grade distributions.



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1. Required Courses

For required courses, the mean grade ordinarily should be no higher than B+.

Grades ordinarily should be distributed as follows:

A+, A, A-	20-30%
B+, B, B-	60-70%
C+, C, C-, F	10%

For required courses with enrollments of 50 and above, the instructor may award A+ grades to a maximum of 2% of the students. For required courses with enrollments below 50, the instructor may award an A+ to a maximum of one student.

2. Elective Courses

For elective courses, the mean grade ordinarily should be no higher than B+.

For elective courses in which enrollment is above 20, grades ordinarily should be distributed as follows:

A+, A, A-	20-30%
B+, B, B-	60-70%
C+, C, C-, F	10%

When enrollment in an elective course is 50 or above, the instructor may award an A+ to a maximum of 2% of the students. When enrollment in an elective course is below 50, the instructor may award an A+ to a maximum of one student.

3. Exceptional Circumstances

An instructor may award grades that diverge appreciably from the above expectations only on the basis of exceptional circumstances with the consent of the Dean or the Dean's designee.

Transcript Application:

Exchange students may request their STL transcripts two months after the completion of final exams.

Campus Life

Housing:

Most exchange students choose to live conveniently on our tranquil campus. Unfortunately, single-bed dorm rooms cannot be guaranteed. In case of a shortage of single dorm rooms, some students may be assigned to double rooms.

Single-bed dorm room: 12,000RMB/year; 6,000RMB/semester; Double-bed dorm room: 6,000RMB/year; 3,000RMB/semester. Utilities are not included in these fees.

Rooms are approximately 16 square meters, with a private western bathroom and a small balcony, bed, desk, wardrobe, hot water and air conditioner (no heater), but no bedding. The first floor of the dorm has a laundry room with washing machine and dryers.

Cost of Living Estimate:

Estimated range of cost of living is approximately 24,000RMB-50,000RMB per academic year including an ensuite room with balcony, meals, administrative fees and other costs. The amount will vary depending on a student's lifestyle and spending choices, and whether the student shares a dorm room.



Quality of Life:

Please visit <http://english.pkusz.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=lists&catid=9> to learn more about life on campus and in Shenzhen.

Health Insurance Coverage

Exchange students need to purchase Chinese short-term insurance which should cover the period of the visit. The cost of health insurance is currently 400RMB per semester.

Important Dates

Dates	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Nomination Deadline	March 15, 2019	October 15, 2019
Application Deadline	April 10, 2019	November 10, 2019
Admission Notification and Visa Documents	June	January
Orientation	Usually one week before the first day of class	Usually one week before the first day of class
Course Selection	Two weeks before each quarter begins	Two weeks before each quarter begins
Exams	Last week of each quarter	Last week of each quarter
Housing Checkout	One week after final exam or designated date	One weeks after final exam or designated date
Transcript Application	Two months after final exam	Two months after final exam

Academic Calendar

STL's Academic Year Calendar for the next year is usually announced in April or May at <http://stl.pku.edu.cn/academics/calendar/>. Please note that STL's Calendar usually varies from the PKU Shenzhen Campus Calendar. Generally, there is a three week vacation during Chinese Spring Festival. The date varies according to the Chinese Lunar Schedule but is usually in February.

STL Academic Calendar 2019-2020

Quarter One

August 12 (Monday) to October 25 (Friday)
Exam Week: October 28 to November 3
National Holiday: September 30 to October 6
Fall Break/Intersession: November 4 to 5

Quarter Two

November 6 (Wednesday) to January 10 (Friday)
Exam Week: January 13 to 19

Spring Festival Break: January 20 to February 16

Quarter Three

February 17 (Monday) to April 21 (Tuesday)
Exam Week: April 24 to April 30
Labor Day Break: May 1 to May 10

Quarter Four

May 11 (Monday) to June 26 (Friday)



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Exam Week: June 29 to July



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