Guidelines for Students to Study in Southwest of China

Assisting Pakistani Students
Consul General’s Message for Pakistani Students:

Dear Students,

The number of Pakistanis students seeking admission in the universities of Southwest of China is steadily on the rise. We now have almost nine hundred students studying in various universities of this area that includes fast-developing and historic regions such as Sichuan, Yunnan, Guizhou, and Chongqing municipality. As a result of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) as well as One Belt One Road Initiative (OBOR), we believe, in future educational ties between Pakistan and this area will further deepen and expand and we will have many more students from Pakistan studying here.

In order to help our students and to unify information for them, this Mission’s intern, Mr. Derek Chen, has compiled “Guidelines for Pakistani Students to Study in Southwest China”. Mr. Derek has demonstrated a great deal of hard work and devotion in preparing the Guidelines which contain very useful information for the aspiring students. Derek is a graduate of prestigious Sichuan University and is now pursuing a Master’s program at Sciences Po, Paris. He also has been a Policy Analyst at European Centre for Diplomacy and Peace. We thank him for his efforts. He, indeed, has brought people of Pakistan and this region one step closer.

I hope our students will find the Guidelines quite instructive which will help them make better and informed choices about their future. I encourage students to use these guidelines as a means to supplement their own efforts to search for best career options.

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Part I: Famous Universities in the Region

• Sichuan University (SCU) (figures of 31/12/2017)

Picture source: Sichuan University official website

Ranking the 12th in China, Sichuan university is a top university. Located in Chengdu, the most liveable city in China, Sichuan university has three campuses: Wangjiang, Huaxi and Jiang’an. Most of the buildings are in traditional Chinese style, providing an ideal atmosphere for both learning and research. The modern university consists of three former national universities: the former Sichuan University, the former Chengdu University of Science and Technology, and the former West China University of Medical Sciences. Its education history can date back to 1869.

SCU is a comprehensive university. It offers a wide range of disciplines covering 12 study areas, including humanities, science, engineering, medicine, economy, management, law, history, philosophy, agriculture, education and art. Among the disciplines provided, there are 46 national key disciplines, such as Chinese language and literature, mathematics, material science and engineering and stomatology. To be specific, stomatology ranks the first in China and enjoys a worldwide fame. According to Essential Science Indicators (ESI) in 2017, its chemistry, material science was the top1% disciplines in the world. In addition, disciplines such as law, finance are also reputable. Students will graduate with professional knowledge and comprehensive skills that enables them to be competitive in their careers.

SCU is also a research-oriented university. It has research centres and laboratories in China and abroad. There are 13 national-level laboratories and 4 provincial laboratories. It also collaborates with foreign research institutes, setting research centres such as American Studies Centre, Jiuzhaigou International Research Centre for Ecology and etc. In the fields of science, in 2016, the number of papers published ranked the 5th in China. In the fields of arts,
it led the compilations of books such as a Chinese dictionary and A History of Chinese Taoism.

SCU is a university that welcomes diversities and collaborations. It has established partnerships with 268 universities from 34 countries and set international research centres with other research institutions. For example, in order to enhance the mutual understandings between China and Pakistan, Sichuan university established Pakistani studies centre in 2008, which also helps the university improve the services for Pakistani students.

For more information, please visit:
http://en.scu.edu.cn/index.htm

- **Chongqing University (CQU)** (figures of 30/09/2018)

Ranking the 31th in China, it is located in Chongqing, the commercial centre along the upper reaches of Yangtze River. Studying in Chongqing, students can witness the breakneck development in Southwest China and enjoy the breath-taking sceneries of Yangtze River.

Chongqing University is a comprehensive university. 96 disciplines are offered in its postgraduate program, covering 10 study areas: science, engineering, management, law, arts, history, philosophy, education and fine art. Specifically, civil engineering, mechanical engineering and electric engineering are the “Double-First Class” disciplines in China. It also has 3 national first-class key disciplines and 19 national second-class disciplines (including 2 being developed disciplines), such as technology economy and management, urban planning and design, biomedical engineering. Moreover, according to ESI world discipline rankings in 2017, its engineering was the top 1‰ and material science, chemistry, computer science, mathematics and clinical medicine were the top 1% in the world. Its architecture, law, and other 8 disciplines are also the top disciplines in China.
CQU has also made great academic achievements in research. For instance, it has 17 national key research centres, 2 international laboratories cooperating with foreign institutes and other 180 research centres at the provincial or minstrel level. Since the 12th Five-Year Plan came out, the university has received 266 awards for its science researches. It has also undertaken over 4900 research projects at either national or provincial level.

Chongqing University adapts international development strategies. There are over 1800 international students from 144 countries. They are encouraged to take part in various activities such as Chinese Bridge Competition and China Exploration Competition. Because of the rich experience, it became the “model base” for overseas study in China. In addition, Chongqing university has over 155 partner universities in over 30 countries. It also collaborates frequently with international companies and research institutes such as Software, Siemens and Korea Electronics Research Institute.

Today, Chongqing University is working hard to “making a First-Class comprehensive research-oriented university” in China.

For more information, please visit:
https://www.cqu.edu.cn/

**University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC) (figures of 01/2019)**

University of Electronic Science and Technology of China is ranking 34th in China, it is a multidisciplinary university famous for electronic science and technology. It is situated in Chengdu and is cooperating with the government in order to build a “Silicon Valley” in South West China.

Known as the cradle for the national electronic industry, UESTC has developed a solid foundation for electronic science and technology. It was composed of the electronic divisions of three universities, including Jiaotong University, Nanjing Institute of Technology and
South China Institute of Technology. Electronic Science and Technology and communication engineering are the “Double-First Class” disciplines, also ranking the first in Southwest China. With the rich teaching experiences, its students received gold medals in high-level competitions such as National Undergraduate Electronic Design Contest, ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest. Also, the employment rate of UESTC is keeping over 96% every year.

Although electronic science and technology is the strength of UESTC, it has developed to be a comprehensive university that pursues excellence. There are 23 schools and 66 postgraduate majors. According to ESI discipline rankings in 2017, 7 disciplines including engineering, material science, physics, computer science, chemistry, biochemistry and biology, were the top 1% disciplines in the world. To be specific, its engineering has been the top 100 in the world since 2016. The university persists in cultivating comprehensive students to become the elites in both academic research and the careers.

UESTC has intimate relationships with over 200 universities, research institutes and companies in 70 countries. So far, there have been over 1000 international students in UESTC and Pakistani students perform well in their studies. For more information please visit: https://en.uestc.edu.cn/

• **Southwest University (SWU) (figures of 2018)**

Southwest university is in Chongqing. It is located at the foot of Jinyun Mountain and near Jialing River, covering an area of over 1.65 million square metres in Chongqing. The attractive sceneries make it a garden university. The history of Southwest University dates
back to 1906 when the East Sichuan Normal School was founded. After several mergers, 2005 witnessed the establishment of Southwest University, turning a new page for the development of SWU.

Ranking the 37th in China, Southwest University is a key comprehensive university with remarkable academic performances. It has 36 schools and 105 undergraduate majors. There are 3 national key disciplines, including curriculum and teaching methodology, basic psychology, special animal farming. Biology is in the list “Double-First Class” disciplines. Moreover, in 2018, 6 disciplines were in the top 1% of ESI rankings, including chemistry, botany and zoology, agriculture, biology and biochemistry, material science and engineering.

The university provides quality education resources in order to foster students with solid professional foundation and a strong sense of social responsibility. It has 46 National-Top Courses and 4 national experimental teaching demonstration centres. In addition, the university library has rich resources with over 4.17 million books and 7.05 million electronic books.

Southwest university promotes international cooperation. There are over 2000 international students from 59 countries. The International College offers attentive services to international students. Besides, Southwest University has near 80 partner universities and research institutes from over 30 countries. 3 Confucius institutes has been founded in Canada, Thailand and Kazakhstan.

With top education resources and rich international experiences, Southwest university can be a suitable place for Pakistani students to study in China.

For more information please visit http://www.swu.edu.cn/

• **Southwest Jiaotong University (SWJTU)** (figure of 01/2019)
Southwest Jiaotong University is a comprehensive university that has profound impact on China’s transportation history. It is located in Chengdu and is currently working with the government to build the world rail transit capital.

SWJTU is the cradle of China’s engineering pioneers, aiming to cultivate all-round talents specialised in rail transportation to serve the country. The university has 24 schools across study areas including science, engineering, arts and biology. By January 2019, among the disciplines offered, traffic engineering is the “Double-Class Discipline” and civil engineering ranks the 7th in China. According to ESI, its material science, engineering, computer science have been in the top 1% disciplines in the world.

During its long history, SWJTU has fostered a great deal of experts in transportation fields. For example, three winners of China’s “Two Bombs and One Satellite Meritorious Award” and nine Chinese engineering design pioneers were from the university. It also developed a great deal of acclaimed scholars, professors, students in China.

SWJTU plays a role model in China’s transportation development and is a reputable specialist in transportation research. For instance, It contributed in the constructions of Beijing-Zhangjiakou Railway, the first self-designed and self-built railway of China and the Baoji-Chengdu Railway, the first electrified railway of China.

Its research ability in transportation fields ranks the first in the country and has made countless contributions. SWJTU has 13 laboratories at the national level and 36 research centres at the provincial level. The researches cover areas such as the high speed railway, Maglev transportation, Hyperloop etc.

Committing an international strategy, the university has a wide range of collaboration programs in the world. It has established partnerships with 203 universities and research centres from over 50 countries. In order to promote “the Belt and Road Initiative” as well as China’s high speed railways, it is working actively with other companies and continue making contribution to the development of transportation in China.

For more information please visit

https://www.swjtu.edu.cn/index.htm
• **Yunnan University (YNU)** (figures of 01/2019)

Yunnan University is originally from Private Donglu University which was founded in 1922. Its location, Kunming, is known as spring city in China. Benefiting from the warm climate in Kunming, flowers can be seen everywhere on campus. Yunnan university is one of the top 10 beautiful universities in China.

Yunnan University is a comprehensive national first class university. 86 undergraduate majors are offered, including 4 national key disciplines. They are ethnology, ecology, specialised history, microbiology. In addition, according to the fourth round of Ministry of Education discipline rankings, 30 disciplines were in the top 70% in China and its ethnology, ecology and political science programs rank 2nd, 6th and 10th respectively in China. According to 2012 ESI world’s discipline rankings, biology and chemistry were in the top 1% in the world. The university also specialises in resource development and environmental protection, borderland research, and Southeast Asia and South Asia research.

It is also a national key university that nurtures talent and highlights research. There are over 25 thousand full-time students in Yunnan University and many of them were selected into the National Hundred, Thousand and Ten Thousand Talent Project, providing qualified future experts for the development of the country. 14 papers by its professors were published in authoritative scientific global magazines, such as Nature and Science and it received the first prize for the National Science Award, and the second prize for National Science and Technology Progress.

Yunnan University will continue making progress in both teaching and research. It is believed to become a first-class university and famous in the world.

For more information please visit:
http://www.ynu.edu.cn/
Founded in 1954, Kunming University of Science and Technology is a comprehensive university that is famous for its science subjects especially that relating to industries. The university is located in Kunming and has the biggest campus in Yunnan Province. It is divided into three campuses, which are Chenggong, Lianhua and Xinying, covering an area of over 4300 Acre. Some online courses are also provided.

Making huge progress in recent years, KUST has gained rich experience in teaching and has developed many advantageous disciplines. It has 28 faculties with 110 postgraduate majors. By October 2018, there had been 31447 full-time postgraduate students and a total of 11143 graduates and doctoral students. The advantageous disciplines are geological resources and address engineering, mineral engineering, metallurgical engineering, materials science and engineering and environmental science and engineering. Among the disciplines, Non-ferrous metallurgy is the national key discipline. In addition, according to ESI, engineering, chemistry and material science have been the top 1% disciplines since 2015 in the world. In addition, holding over 3.138 million books, the university library is named as “The information centre of non-ferrous metal specialised document”.

KUST has high-level research abilities. It has 17 national key laboratories relating to industries such as National Engineering Research Centre for solid waste recycling and National Engineering laboratory of Vacuum Metallurgy. It also has dozens of research centres at the provincial level and around 100 ones at the university level.

Besides serving the country, KUST also positively engage in international cooperation. It has long standing partnerships with more than 60 universities in over 30 countries. In order to promote one road one belt initiative, KUST has done remarkable contributions to the cooperation with the Southeast countries and neighbouring South-East Asia and south Asia countries, including in the mechanisms of China-ASEAN cooperation, Lancang Mekong (GMS) Cooperation etc.

For more information please visit:
http://www.kmust.edu.cn/
Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (SWUFE) (figures of 06/2017)

Southwest university of Finance and Economics is a famous university specialising in finance, economics and business. The university is situated in Chengdu, the commercial centre of Sichuan Province, sharing abundant business resources.

It has campuses in Chengdu, Guanghua and Liulin, covering an area of over 380 acres. It has the only museum in southwest China that shows the history of money and finance. Its earliest history dates back to 1925, when Guanghua University was founded in Shanghai. And in 1938 Guanghua university moved its headquarters to Chengdu.

SWUFE enjoys a national reputation in finance and economics. It is one of the top three university oriented in finance and business in China. There are 27 faculties and 33 undergraduate majors. Among the disciplines that are offered, 4 of them are national key disciplines, including finance, political economics, accounting and statistics. Applied finance is the “Double-First Class” discipline that is confirmed by the Ministry of Education. Some other disciplines are also offered in SWUFE such as demography, law and they are the key disciplines at the provincial level.

SWUFE has a leading role in both teaching and research. The university has over 20000 full-time students and is named as “China’s financial talent pool” and provides many expectable financial experts to the country. It is the first university authorized to grant CPA and MBA in Southwest China. The university firstly published its own English financial journal “Financial Innovation” in China. It also has seven research centres such as Research Institute of Economics and Management, Institute of Financial Studies. The excellent research abilities contributed to its top 13 research ranking among Asian universities.

The university also bears an international education philosophy and promotes international cooperation. It has over 1100 international students from 110 countries and over 130 partner universities from 36 countries and regions.

For more information please visit
http://e.swufe.edu.cn/
Guizhou University is located in Guizhou, the capital city with attractive scenery of Guiyang Province. Its nine campuses cover an area of over 366.22 hectare and the biggest one is Huaxi.

The university is a comprehensive and regional first-class university. It has 40 faculties and 137 undergraduate majors. The study areas cover arts, science, engineering and other 9 fields. Among the disciplines offered, plant protection is the world-class construction discipline and agricultural pharmacology is the national key discipline. In addition, its plant discipline is the "Double-First Class" discipline which is confirmed by the MOE. Its national key discipline is pesticide science.

Guizhou University also highlights the importance of academic research. Over the years, it has newly established nearly 7 research institutes with special concentrations, such as China Western Development Capability Research Centre, Innovation Driven Development Strategy Research Institute, Guizhou Big Data Academy, and Provincial Key Laboratory of Public Big Data. Especially, The Research Centre for Western China's Development Capability is part of China's core think-tank.

GZU has established sustainable relationship with both Chinese and foreign universities and collaborative programs are widely conducted. For instance, It works closely with Zhejiang University and other high-class universities in China. It also has over 150 partner foreign universities in 40 countries and plays a positive role in international communications. For
example, it actively engages in IAUP (International Association of University Presidents), AUAP (Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific), and EPU (Eurasia-Pacific Uninet).

Nowadays, Guizhou University is making a profound impact in Southwest China and serving the country at large.

For more information please visit:
http://www.gzu.edu.cn/
Founded in 1950, Southwest University of Political Science & Law is one of the oldest Universities famous for political science and law. It is also the key university that is supported by Chongqing Government and the Ministry of Education. Located in Chongqing, the university is divided into three campuses, including Shapingba, Yubei and Shengbaohu. Among the campuses, Shapingba is the education centre for undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Specialised in political science and law, SWUPL has made remarkable achievements in relating fields. It has 14 schools including the international education school. Among the disciplines offered, economic law and procedure law are the national key disciplines and 9 disciplines are the provincial key disciplines. According to the Research Report on University Evaluation in China in 2015, SWUPL ranked the second among Chinese social science universities. And according to the same report in 2018, its law discipline ranked the fourth in China. Over the 68 years, nearly 300 thousand law talents has been cultivated to serve the country, ranking the first among Chinese universities. Nowadays, SWUPL has become a university that has law as its nucleus, featured the harmonious development of psychology, philosophy, economics, literature, management and engineering.

Hosting diverse competitions every year is a unique characteristic of SWUPL. For example, the Tianlun Cup Debate Competition is held every year by SWUPL, which is one of the high-level debate competitions in China. Besides, its students also get gold medals for various debate competitions frequently, such as The 8th Debate Competition for University Students in China, the 2nd and the 3rd University Students Mock Trial Competition and etc.

The university also focuses on international cooperation. It has international programs with universities such as Coventry University and Case Western Reserve University. Furthermore,
based on the China-ASEAN Law Research Centre, it actively engages in the construction of the law think tank with the countries along the Belt and Road.

For more information, please visit:
http://www.swupl.edu.cn/index.htm

It should be noted that information above is taken from the relevant university websites.

Some other top universities in Southeast China:

Sichuan Normal University:
http://www.sicnu.edu.cn/
Sichuan Agricultural University:
http://www.sicnu.edu.cn/
Chongqing Medical University:
http://www.cqmu.edu.cn/
Chongqing Jiaotong University:
http://www.cqjtu.edu.cn/
Guizhou Normal University:
http://www.gznu.edu.cn/
Yunnan Normal University:
http://www.ynnu.edu.cn/
Part II: Scholarships

1. Scholarships:

The main scholarships are provided by the Chinese government, the local governments, Confucius Institute Headquarters and the host universities. Students can also apply for some enterprise scholarships and other scholarships.

Chinese Government Scholarships:

Qualified international students, teachers and scholars are sponsored by the Chinese government to study and conduct researches in Chinese universities.

China Scholarship Council (CSC), entrusted by the Ministry of Education of the People’s Republic of China (MOE), is responsible for the enrollment and the administration of Chinese Government Scholarship programs.

For more information, please visit: https://www.csc.edu.cn/ or http://www.campuschina.org/ or http://www.moe.edu.cn/s78/A20/gjs_left/moe_850/tnull_1205.html

Programs suitable for Pakistani Students:

Bilateral program
Great wall program
WMO program
One Belt and One Road scholarship

General Information:

It should be noted that detail information varies according to different programs. For detailed information, please visit: https://www.csc.edu.cn/ or http://www.campuschina.org/

Eligibility

1. not a citizen of the People’s Republic of China and be in good health.
2. degree and age:
   be a high school graduate under the age of 25 when applying for the undergraduate programs;
   be a bachelor’s degree holder under the age of 35 when applying for the master’s programs;
   be a master’s degree holder under the age of 40 when applying for the doctoral programs;
   be under the age of 45 and have a high school diploma (or higher) when applying for the general scholar programs;
   be a master’s degree holder or an associate professor (or above) under the age of 50 when applying for the senior scholar programs.
**Coverage**
1. fully covered
Includes: Tuition fees, accommodations and living expenditures. The table below shows the general information.

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**NOTE:** Field of Study I includes Philosophy, Economics, Legal Studies, Education, Literature (Fine Arts excluded), History, and Management; Field of Study II includes Science, Engineering, and Agriculture; Field of Study III includes Fine Arts and Medicine.

The full scholarship covers all the items above. It should be noted that if students are permitted to live off campus, they will receive extra monthly/quarterly subsidy:

undergraduate students (preppies), master’s students(general scholars): CNY 700 per month; doctoral students (senior scholars): CNY 1000 per month.

2. partially covered:
Some items of the full scholarships

**Requirements:**
1. undergraduate students:
Language: Students complete their secondary education in Chinese or have a valid HSK certificate that meets the requirements of the host university.
If not, students must take one-year preparatory course in one of the 10 universities and pass the required tests before moving to major studies.

2. Graduate and non-degree scholarship students:
They can register for either the Chinese-taught program or the English-taught program if applicable. Otherwise, they need to take language courses for one or two years to meet the requirements.

**Local Government Scholarships:**
Local governments provide a wide range of scholarships to international students, scholars. The listed below are relating programs in Southwest China.

**General Information:**
Detailed information can be different in different universities, cities, provinces. For detailed information, please click the links.

**Requirements:**
1. not a citizen of the People’s Republic of China, be in good health, be friendly to China and abide the local laws and regulations.
2. apply for undergraduate programs: be a high school graduate under the age of around 30 and has a Chinese high school certificate or equivalent;
   apply for master programs: be a bachelor’s degree or equivalent degree holder under the age of around 35;
   be a master’s degree or equivalent degree holder under the age of around 40.
3. Qualified language proficiency (Chinese or English).

**Coverage:**
Doctoral students: around CNY 30000 per year  
Master students: around CNY 25000 per year  
Bachelor students: around CNY 20000 per year  
Junior college students: around CNY 15000 per year  
Non-degree scholars: around CNY 10000 per year

**The Sichuan Government:**
Please visit the Sichuan Provincial Finance Department:  
http://www.sccz.gov.cn/new_web/new_NewShow.jsp?id=3483&tname=%E8%A7%84%E8%8C%83%E6%80%A7%E6%96%87%E4%BB%B6&TS=1547360993117  
or http://www.sccz.gov.cn/new_web/new_index.jsp for more information.

**The Chongqing Government:**
Please visit the Chongqing Education Commission:  
http://www.cqjw.gov.cn/  
1. Chongqing Municipal Government Mayor Scholarship New Silk Road Program  
9 universities host this program, they are:

   Southwest University:  
   http://www.swu.edu.cn/  
   Southwest University of Political Science and Law:
http://www.swupl.edu.cn/
Chongqing Medical University:
http://www.cqmu.edu.cn/
Chongqing Normal university:
http://www.cqnu.edu.cn/
Chongqing University of Posts and Telecommunications:
http://www.cqupt.edu.cn/cqupt/index.shtml
Chongqing Vocational and Institute of Engineering:
http://www.cqvie.edu.cn/
Chongqing Industry Polytechnic College:
www.cqipc.net
Chongqing Vocational College of Public Transportation:
http://www.cqgyzy.com/

2. CQUPT Chongqing Municipal Government Scholarship:
http://www.campuschina.org/content/details3_121709.html

The Yunnan Government
Please visit Yunnan Education Commission:
http://www.ynjy.cn/web
1. Yunnan Provincial Government scholarship to Accept Students From Neighbouring Countries
Main Universities:
Kunming University of Science and Technology:
http://www.kmust.edu.cn/
Yunnan University:
http://www.ynu.edu.cn/
Yunnan Agricultural University:
http://www.ynau.edu.cn/

The Guizhou Government
Please visit Study Abroad in Guizhou:
http://lqlx.gzedu.cn/zczd/jxjzd/201808/t20180809_3230125.html or
http://lqlx.gzedu.cn/ for more information

Confucius Institute Scholarships:
In order to promote Chinese language and Chinese culture, Confucius Institute Headquarters (also known as “Hanban”) provides diverse scholarships to support outstanding international students, scholars and Chinese language teachers to study and teach in China. The main requirement for such scholarships is to have a good command of Chinese language. Its programs vary in different universities. The list below are the main universities which host Confucius Institute Scholarships in Southwest China. For general information, please visit Hanban: http://www.hanban.edu.cn/

### Sichuan:
- Sichuan University: [http://en.scu.edu.cn/index.htm](http://en.scu.edu.cn/index.htm)
- Sichuan Normal University: [http://www.sicnu.edu.cn/](http://www.sicnu.edu.cn/)
- Southwest University of Finance and Economics: [http://e.swufe.edu.cn/](http://e.swufe.edu.cn/)

### Chongqing:
- Chongqing University: [http://study.cqu.edu.cn](http://study.cqu.edu.cn) or [http://www.campuschina.org/content/details3_351552.html](http://www.campuschina.org/content/details3_351552.html)
- Chongqing Jiaotong University: [http://www2.cqjtu.edu.cn/oice/](http://www2.cqjtu.edu.cn/oice/)
- Chongqing Normal University: [http://international.cqnu.edu.cn/](http://international.cqnu.edu.cn/)
- Sichuan International Studies University: [http://www.sisu.edu.cn/](http://www.sisu.edu.cn/)
- Southwest University: [http://www.swu.edu.cn/](http://www.swu.edu.cn/)

### Guizhou:
- Guizhou University: [http://www.campuschina.org/content/details3_118166.html](http://www.campuschina.org/content/details3_118166.html)
  Or [http://cie.gzu.edu.cn](http://cie.gzu.edu.cn)

### Yunnan:
- Yunnan University: [http://www.ynu.edu.cn/](http://www.ynu.edu.cn/)
- Yunnan Normal University: [http://www.ynnu.edu.cn/](http://www.ynnu.edu.cn/)
University Scholarships:
Universities in Southwest China offer different scholarships to sponsor and encourage outstanding international students. The requirements and coverage vary. The scholarships are sorted by province below. For more information please click the links or visit the website of the host university.

Main universities in Southwest China:

Sichuan:
Sichuan University:  
http://en.scu.edu.cn/index.htm
University of Electronic Science and Technology of China:  
https://en.uestc.edu.cn/
Southwest Jiaotong University:  
https://www.swjtu.edu.cn/index.htm
Southwestern University of Finance and Economics:  
http://e.swufe.edu.cn/
Sichuan Agricultural University:  
http://www.sicau.edu.cn/
Sichuan Normal University:  
http://www.sicnu.edu.cn/

Chongqing:
Chongqing University:  
https://www.cqu.edu.cn/
Southwest University:  
http://www.swu.edu.cn/
Southwest University of Political Science & Law:  
http://www.swupl.edu.cn/

Yunnan:
Yunnan University:  
http://www.ynu.edu.cn/
Kunming University of Science and Technology:  
http://www.kmust.edu.cn/

Guizhou:
Guizhou University:  
http://www.gzu.edu.cn
Part III: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q&As:

General:

1. Where can I know more about Southwest China?

   A: Southwest China mainly refers to 5 provinces/city in China: Sichuan, Chongqing, Yunnan, Guizhou, Tibet. Besides searching the internet, creating a WeChat or QQ account and joining some relating WeChat groups can be convenient to learn about the people and the life there since WeChat and QQ are frequently used by Chinese people. Also, there are some Facebook groups, which can help you find other international students who are studying in Southwest China.

2. How are the universities in Southwest China? (Rankings, academic achievements etc.)

   A: The best university in Southwest China is Sichuan University, which ranks the 12th in China. Other top universities, for example, are Chongqing University, Southwest University, Yunnan University, Southwest Jiaotong University, Southwest University of Finance and Economics. For more information, please visit the university websites, which have been listed in the “school introduction” part.

3. Will my degree be recognised internationally after graduation?

   A: Yes, if the university/college is recognised by the Ministry of Education of the People’s Republic of China, it is recognised internationally. The attachment below is the list of recognised schools in Southwest China. For the whole list of Chinese universities and colleges, please click the link.

   School list in China:

   http://www.moe.gov.cn/srcsite/A03/moe_634/201706/t20170614_306900.html

Application:

1. I cannot speak Chinese, am I still able to study here? Any language requirements?

   A: Yes. Students can enrol English-taught courses which are offered in some universities if they have valid English certificates. For detailed information, please visit the university websites.

2. How can I apply for universities in Southwest China?
A: The main ways to apply for the universities in Southwest China are: directly connecting to the university, connecting to an agent and apply for the collaboration programs that are organised by Chinese and Pakistani school.

3. How can I apply for a student visa? (the documents, process, etc)
A: The admitted students should bring the required documents to the Embassy or Consulate of the People’s Republic of China in the nearest city of their home country to apply for a student visa (X visa).
The documents include but not limited to: Passport, Admission Notice from the accepting University, Visa Application Form (JW202/JW201), photo, insurance, and Form of Physical Examination Record for Foreigners.
It should be noticed that X1 visa is issued to those who intend to stay in China for more than 180 days while X2 visa is issued to those who intend to stay in China for no more than 180 days.
For the online visa application form and more detailed information, please visit the Embassy of the People’s Republic of China in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan: http://pk.chineseembassy.org/eng/lsfw/va/

4. What if my visa expires?
A: You should go to the local public security departments to extend your visa.
Chengdu: Exit & Entry Administration of Chengdu PSB: http://www.cdcierj.gov.cn/
Guiyang: http://www.gzcjerjpt.com/

Scholarship:
Please refer to the “scholarship” part.

Study:
The detailed information varies according to different universities, please visit university websites for more accurate information.

1. How much is the tuition fee?
A: Generally,
Undergraduate programs: from around 1,5000 to around 2,2000 RMB per year;
Master programs: from around 2,0000 to around 3,0000 RMB per year;
Ph. D programs: from around 2,5000 to around 4,0000 RMB per year.
For more information, please refer to the university websites.

2. I cannot speak Chinese at all, is it difficult to understand the teachers and my peers?
A: It may be a little difficult at first since not all Chinese students speak English often. But a lot of activities and clubs are arranged for international students to connect with Chinese students and other international students, such as international students union, sports teams and etc. International students can search help from the international student department in the university.

3. How can I furtherly improve my Chinese?

A: Universities and Confucius Institute provide diverse Chinese courses for international students. Even they enrol Chinese-taught courses, they can still take Chinese classes.

School life:

The detailed information varies according to different universities, please visit university websites for more accurate information.

1. Are there any Pakistani communities in universities? How can I find them?

A: Most universities have Pakistani communities or clubs, some have WeChat groups. Pakistani students can ask international college/ departments in the university for detailed information.

2. How’s the accommodation? How much is the accommodation fee? How can I apply for the accommodations?

i) Universities offer single, double, triple and four-people room and some are attached with private bathrooms. Students have their meals in the canteens or cook in the kitchen.

ii) Around 1,000 RMB per month.

iii) Finish the application form by downloading it from the university website;

   Basic documents include but not limited to:
   - Valid passport, valid visa, acceptance letter.

3. Are there any Muslim or Pakistani food in canteens? If not, can I cook myself?

(1) Most university canteens offer halal food.

(2) Students must cook in the kitchen and follow the regulations by university.

4. Can I have part-time jobs during my study here?

A: According to the “Administration of Foreigners Working in China” by the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security of the People’s Republic of China, international students who intend to work in China should meet the requirements including but not limited to:

1) Over the age of 18 and be in good health;

2) Have the working skills that are needed for the job and have relating working experiences;

3) No criminal record;

4) Have valid passport.

For more information, please visit:
5. How long is the holiday?

A: Normally, the winter holiday starts in February and lasts 1 month, while the summer holiday starts in the end of June and lasts 2 months and a half.

6. Can I be helped by school if encountering difficulties (open a bank account, apply a sim card, etc.)?

A: Yes. Chinese universities set organisations such as international students departments or overseas student’s office that arranges international students’ issues. Students can connect to such departments in the university for help.

Life outside campus:

1. How are the climate and the weather in Southwest China?

A: Southwest China features a subtropical monsoon climate. The weather is relatively moderate. Tibet features a plateau mountain climate, which is relatively cold during the year. To know the weather in Chengdu, please check:

   http://weather.yahoo.com/china/sichuan/chengdu

2. What can help me adapt to the life in Southwest China?

A: New technology makes the life there much more convenient. It can be used to connect with local people and using apps can help with language difficulty.

   I. A wide range of applications make the life easier for international students, for example:
      1) School application;
      2) Chatting: WeChat, QQ
      3) Mobile payments: Alipay, WeChat pay
      4) Food: Meituan
      5) Online bank applications
      6) Translating: Youdao
      7) Map: Baidu map
      8) Online shopping: Taobao, JD.COM

   II. Public transport: shared bikes, underground

3. How is the food in Southwest China? Where can I find Muslim or Pakistani food in Chengdu?

A: People in Southwest China normally have spicy food. Especially, Sichuan is famous for its Sichuan cuisine. Halal food can be found in most cities. Students can download food applications such as Meituan for local food suggestions.

4. How can I rent an apartment? How much is the rent?
A: Students can live off campus if permitted by the university. The rent varies in different cities. For apartment renting, please visit some renting websites for more information:
58 city: https://cd.58.com/
Ganjicom: http://cd.ganji.com/

5. How much can be covered by the insurance? Where can I seek medical help?

A: i) Before coming to China, it is compulsory for international students to buy medical insurance from the company that is appointed by the university, which can be found at the university websites. The covered items can be found in the insurance company policy.
ii) Universities offer medical service on campuses. If students still feel sick, they can go to the hospital. Some hospitals in Southwest China:

Sichuan:
West China Hospital:
http://www.english.cd120.com/
Sichuan Provincial People’s Hospital:
http://www.samsph.com/
Chengdu Fifth People’s Hospital:
http://www.cd5120.com/

Chongqing:
The First Hospital Affiliated To AMU (Southwest Hospital):
http://www.xnyy.cn/
The First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University:
http://www.hospital-cqmu.com/

Yunnan:
The First Hospital of Kunming:
http://www.hospital-cqmu.com/
Yan’an Hospital of Kunming City:
Kunming Municipal of Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine:
http://www.kmszy.com/index.html

Guizhou:
The Affiliated Hospital of Guizhou Medical University:
http://www.kmszy.com/index.html

Guiyang First People’s Hospital:
http://www.gy1y.cn/

6. Electricity and plugs:
A: voltage: 220v/50Hz.

http://international.swufe.edu.cn/__local/7/2E/3F/4C21E5D09BDEC5A1E7BC5B57D57_10FD5C13_175B1FA.pdf

7. If I encounter any difficulties, where should I seek emergency aids?

Useful numbers:

I. Police: 110

II. Fire Department: 119

III. First Aid: 120

IV. Pakistan’s Consulate General Chengdu
No.802, Tongwei International Centre,
No.588 Tianfu Avenue, Chengdu
P.R. China.
Postcode: 610041

Tel: 0086-28-85268316/17
Email: parep.chengdu@yahoo.com

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