

Undergraduate Programs for International Students

School of Interpreting and Translation, BISU

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BISU Profile

BEIJING INTERNATIONAL STUDIES UNIVERSITY

Beijing International Studies University (BlSU) is a renowned multi-disciplinary institution of higher education, offering courses such as literature, management, economics and philosophy, with foreign languages and tourism as its dominant and specialized disciplines. lt is an important base in China for talent training in and research of foreign languages, translation, tourism, and economics and trade.

BISU, founded in October 1964 with the support of China's late premier Zhou Enlai, was one of China's first institutions to offer undergraduate education. Throughout its history, BlSU has been under the successive leaderships of the former China International Cultural Liaison Commission, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the People's Government of Beijing Municipality, the Ministry of Education and the former China National Tourism Administration. In February 2000, it was put under the administration of the People's Government or Beijing Municipality. Since March 2022, BlSU has been jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism and the People's Government of Beijing Municipality.

BlSU enrolls an average of more than 1500 long-term and short-term international students from all over the world every year, including graduate, undergraduate, preparatory and advanced students. At present, there are more than 10.000 students at BlSU.

BlSU comprises two campuses: the Chaoyang Campus and the Yanging Campus. The Chaoyang Campus, situated in Beijing's Chaoyang District, lies between the Central Business District (CBD) to the west and Beiing Municipal Administration Center (Tongzhou) to the east. The campus benefits from excellent transportation links, a prime location, and a serene atmosphere, making it well-suited for diverse academic and residential needs. The Yanging Campus, located in Yanging District within Beiling's ecological conservation area, offers a beautiful natural setting that provides an ideal environment for study and personal growth. The campus fosters a distinctive educational experience, allowing students to thrive in an immersive blend of cultural and natural surroundings.



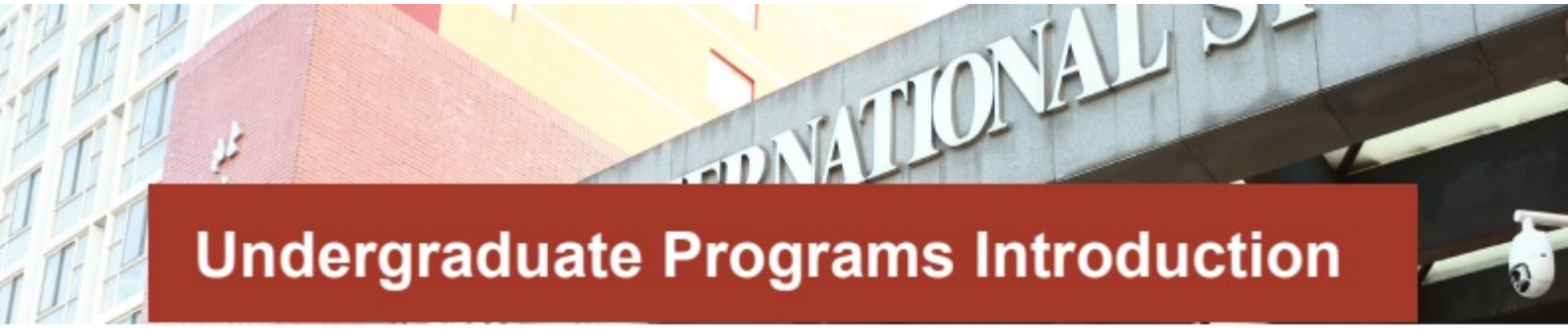
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SCHOOL OF INTERPRETING AND TRANSLATION

School of Interpreting and Translation

School of Interpreting and Translation (SIT) was established in 2006. It launched its undergraduate translation program in 2008, and was authorized to offer the Master of Translation and Interpreting (MTI) program in 2009. In 2013, SIT became one of only six Chinese member institutions of the International Permanent Conference of University Institutes of Translators and Interpreters (CIUTI). The translation program is accredited as First-Class Major among Beijing Municipal Universities, a Key First-Class Major in Beijing Municipality, and a National First-Class Undergraduate Program in China.

SIT embraces the "Four Competencies" educational philosophy—AI empowerment, multilingual proficiency, interdisciplinary integration, and practice-driven innovation. It is dedicated to equipping students with the skills to navigate cross-cultural communication, cultivating language service professionals and cultural ambassadors, and advancing research in these fields.

The School boasts a strong faculty of 22 members, including 4 professors and 6 associate professors with extensive experience in both translation research and professional practice. It currently offers five undergraduate translation specializations: Chinese-English-French Multilingual Translation, Chinese-English-Spanish Multilingual Translation, Foreign-related Legal Affairs, Digital Trade, and the Diplomatic and Foreign Affairs Experimental Program. Additionally, it enrolls students in a two-year Master of Translation and Interpreting (MTI) program, with tracks both in interpreting and translation, and a three-year Master of Arts (MA) program in Translation Studies, emphasizing a balanced integration of practice and research. The School welcomes international students and offers two undergraduate and one master's program tailored for them.



Undergraduate Programs Introduction

"Chinese & Translation (2+2)" Undergraduate Program for International Students

Program Overview

The "Chinese + Translation" Program is an undergraduate degree program offered by Beijing International Studies University (BISU) for international students in China. This program aims to cultivate international students by building upon their Chinese language proficiency and cross-cultural understanding, integrating BISU's strengths in undergraduate translation education to expand degree options beyond solely Chinese Language studies.

Positioned as a program to train "application-oriented, interdisciplinary, and internationally competent talents equipped with practical Chinese language skills", it adopts a multidimensional talent cultivation model that merges Chinese language education with professional translation training. The curriculum emphasizes fostering humanistic qualities through integrating excellent Chinese culture, boldly innovates practical teaching approaches, and focuses on developing international students' innovation capabilities, thereby enhancing cross-cultural communication skills through a "Chinese Language + Humanities + Translation + Practice" framework.

The program primarily equips students with practical and theoretical knowledge of the Chinese language, Chinese culture, and communicative skills for general professional settings using Chinese. It also deepens students' understanding of contemporary China's economy, mainstream culture, and national conditions. Graduates will be capable of leveraging their Chinese proficiency to undertake high-level translation tasks, participate in and promote China's international friendly cooperation, ultimately becoming high-level, interdisciplinary "China-knowledgeable and China-friendly" translation professionals.

Duration

Four Years (Full-Time Undergraduate Program)

Curriculum

Education mode: 2+2. Two years of intensive Chinese language learning at School of International Education of BISU, followed by two years of study at School of Interpreting and Translation of BISU.

Application Requirements

1) International students with Chinese proficiency below HSK Level 4, i.e., at an elementary level.

2) Applicants should be aged between 18 and 50, in good health, and be holders of a high school diploma (or equivalent).

First-year courses

Course Name	Credits	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Primary & Intermediate Chinese I, II	12	6	6						
Primary & Intermediate Chinese Listening and Speaking I, II	8	4	4						
Primary & Intermediate Chinese Reading I, II	8	4	4						
Primary & Intermediate Oral Chinese I, II	4	2	2						
HSK Intensive Training I, II	4	2	2						
Total	36								

Second-year courses

Course Name	Credits	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Advanced Chinese I, II	12			6	6				
Advanced Chinese listening and Speaking I, II	8			4	4				
Advanced Chinese Reading I, II	8			4	4				
Advanced Oral Chinese I, II	4			2	2				
HSK Level 5 Intensive Training I, II	4			2	2				
Total	36								

Third-year courses

Course type	Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Major-specific Compulsory Courses		Introduction to Chinese Culture	2					2			
		Intercultural Communication	2						2		
	211807131	Basics of Translation	2					2			
	211211241	Basics of Interpreting	2					2			
	211207131	Introduction to Translation	2					2			
	211806141	Comparison and Translation between English and Chinese	2					2			
	211087241	CATTI Training: Translation	2						2		
	211144241	CATTI Training: Interpreting	2						2		
	211215261	Sight Translation	2						2		
	211111251	Computer-aided Translation and Project management	2					2			
	211811161	Human-AI Collaboration in Translation	2						2		
	211818131	Understanding the Contemporary World and China	2						2		
	530014121	Diplomacy of Contemporary China						2			
	533002151	China's Diplomatic Thought	2					2			
	532006141	Government & Politics in Contemporary China	2					2			
	211162251	Film Culture and Subtitling □									
		Total	32								

Fourth-year courses

Course type	Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Major-specific Compulsory Courses		Advanced Chinese Writing	2							2	
	211213251	Consecutive Interpreting I	2							2	
	211214251	Consecutive Interpreting II	2								2
	211814171	Frontiers in Translation Industry	2							2	
	211816171	Simultaneous Interpreting	2								2
Major-specific Elective courses	211173261	Translation of Contemporary Chinese Political Discourse	2							2	
	211168271	Appreciation and Translation of Ancient Chinese Works	2								2
	211163261	Literary Translation	2							2	
	211180271	Tourism Translation	2							2	
		Total	18								

Practical Courses

Modules	Course Name	Credits	Class hours	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Language Practice	Language Service Volunteer Training	1	16								
Social practice	Field Study and Translation Practice: Case Studies of Chinese Tourist Attractions	2	32								
	Field Study and Language Service Practice in China's High-tech Enterprises	2	32								
Cultural experience	Field Study on Museum Translation	2	32								
	Field Study on the Inheritance and Translation of China's Intangible Cultural Heritage	2	32								
Other	Other Practical Activities										
	Translation and the International Dissemination of	2	32								
Graduation Thesis		6									
Students must complete a graduation thesis (6 credits). In addition, students must select and complete courses from the four modules of "language practice", "social practice", "cultural experience", and "other", earning at least 4 credits. The total required credits are 10 credits.		10									



Undergraduate Translation Program for International Students

Program Overview

This program aims to cultivate cross-cultural communication competences of international students who, after four years of study, will possess a broad international perspective, strong Chinese and English language proficiency, cultural literacy, AI application capabilities, advanced translation skills, outstanding capabilities in Chinese cultural dissemination, and analytical and problem-solving skills. This program features "interdisciplinary integration", combining translation with diplomacy, law, and international communication so that students will acquire basic knowledge and skills in these fields.

Duration

Four Years (Full-Time Undergraduate Program)

Application Requirements

1) International students with Chinese proficiency of HSK Level 5 or above.

2) Applicants should be aged between 18 and 50, in good health, and be holders of a high school diploma (or equivalent).

Curriculum

General Education Courses

Course name	Credits	Total hours of class time	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Comprehensive Chinese	16	256	4	4	4	4				
Chinese Society and National Conditions	2	32					2			
Outline of Chinese History	2	32					2			
Chinese Culture and Philosophy	4	64						4		
Total: 4	24	384								

Major-specific Required Courses

Course code	Course name	Credits	Total hours of class time	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
211201111	English Reading and Critical Thinking I	4	64	4							
211201121	English Reading and Critical Thinking II	4	64		4						
211202111	English Writing I	2	32	2							
211202121	English Writing II	2	32		2						
211203131	Advanced English Reading and Writing I	4	64			4					
211203141	Advanced English Reading and Writing II	4	64				4				
211204111	English Listening and Presenting I	2	32	2							
211204121	English Listening and Presenting II	2	32		2						
211205121	English Public Speaking	2	32	2							
211206111	Cross-cultural Communication	2	32	2							
211806141	Comparison and Translation Between English and Chinese	2	32				2				
211207131	Introduction to Translation	2	32				2				
211210231	Basics of Translation	2	32			2					
211211241	Basics of Interpreting	2	32				2				
211213251	Consecutive Interpreting I	2	32					2			
211214251	Consecutive Interpreting II	2	32						2		
	Total: 16	40	640								

Major-specific Elective Courses

Course code	Course name	Credits	Total hours of class time	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
211088271	Frontiers in Translation Industry	2	32							2	
211111251	Computer Aided Translation and Project Management	2	32					2			
211175261	Introduction to Linguistics	2	32					2			
211084151	Introduction to English and American Literature	2	32					2			
211163261	Literary Translation	2	32						2		
211215261	Sight Translation	2	32						2		
211162261	Human-AI Collaboration in Translation	2	32						2		
211216271	Simultaneous Interpreting	2	32							2	
211180271	Tourism Translation	2	32							2	
211805161	English Debate	2	32						2		
211818131	Understanding the Contemporary World and China	2	32			2					
211218271	Thesis Writing and Research Methodology	1	16							1	
211820151	Introduction to Cross-cultural Communication	2	32					2			
211701161	Legal English and Translation	2	32						2		
211168271	Appreciation and Translation of Classical Chinese Works	2	32							2	
530014121	Diplomacy of Contemporary China	2	32					2			
532006141	Government & Politics in Contemporary China	2	32					2			
533002151	China's Diplomatic Thought	2	32					2			
Total: 18		35	480								

Practical Courses

Modules	Course name	Credits	Total hours of class time	Semester / Hours of class time per week							
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Language Practice Courses	C-E Translation and International Communication	2	32						2		
	Translation of Contemporary Chinese Political Discourse	2	32						2		
	CATTI Training: Translation	2	32				2				
	CATTI Training: Interpreting	2	32					2			
Social Practice Courses	Field Study and Translation Practice: Case Studies of Chinese Tourist Attractions	3	48								
	Field Study and Language Service Practice in China's High-Tech Enterprises	3	48								
Cultural Experience Courses	Field Study on Museum Translation	3	48								
	Field Study on the Inheritance and Translation Practices of China's Intangible Cultural Heritage	3	48								
	Translation and International Dissemination of Chinese Culture	3	48								
Other	Other Practical Activities										
	Language Service Volunteer Training	1	16								
Thesis		5									
Students must complete 4 language practice courses (8 credits) and a graduation thesis (5 credits). Additionally, they must select and complete courses from "social practice", "cultural experience", and "other" modules, earning at least 3 credits. The total required credits are 16 credits.		16									



Graduation and Degree Conferment

Students who, within the specified period of study, complete the required number of credits stipulated in the program training plan and meet the program graduation requirements shall be permitted to graduate and shall be awarded a Diploma in Translation.

Students who fulfill all the requirements stipulated in the program's training plan and, upon review, are deemed to comply with the *Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Academic Degrees, the Interim Measures for the Implementation of the Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Academic Degrees, and the Regulations on Degree Conferment of Beijing International Studies University* shall be conferred the Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree.

Application

Apply

① BISU adopts an online application procedure. Applicants can register and log into the BISU international Student Service System (http:/apply.bisu.edu.cn) for application.

② Deadline for Online Application: August 21, 2025 (Autumn Semester for 2025).
The program accepts applications year-round. The application can be submitted in either Chinese or English.

③ Applicants must fill in real, accurate, complete and valid information on the system. Applicants will be responsible for all consequences and responsibilities arising from incorrect, omitted, false or invalid information that affect the enrollment and admission.

④ Applicants shall also upload the attachment materials as required. The attachments should be color-scanned copies, and the originals should be kept for verification. If the application materials are not in Chinese or English, a Chinese or English translation must be attached.

Review

BISU will review the application materials, organize entrance examinations or interviews depending on different programs, and admit the best candidates according to the evaluation results.

During the period of review, applicants can log in BISU International Student Service System for application update, progress and relevant notices. It will take about 15 working days to review the material.

Admission

After making admission decisions, BISU will send the Visa Application Form for Study in China (JW202/JW201) and the Admission Notice of BISU to the student's email before July 31 (Autumn semester).

Applicants shall apply for "X1" or "X2" visa at Chinese Embassy/Consulate abroad with the Visa Application Form, Admission Notice and Health Examination Report.

Registration

New students shall register within the time specified in the Admission Notice. Those who fail to register within the time limit without providing proper reasons shall be considered as dropouts automatically.

Before registering, students should contact the school to apply for the specific arrival time, and confirm the arrival date and relevant requirements with the School of Interpreting and Translation.

When registering at the university, please bring the Admission Notice, the Visa Application Form for Study in China (JW201/JW202), the original application materials and five 2-inch white background ID photos. If you have had a physical examination at your home country, please also bring all the original physical examination records.

Verification

BISU will verify students' admission eligibility upon and after the registration. If it verifies that the admission letter, candidate information and other certifying materials held by the student are inconsistent with the actual information, or there are fraud, malpractice and other illegal circumstances, the student will be determined as unqualified, and his/her admission or the student status obtained will be revoked.

Health Examination

According to China's regulations, international students who plan to study in China for over half a year must provide a medical certificate (the physical examination form is available from Chinese Embassy or consulate abroad). The university will submit the forms to a designated hospital for verification. Those who pass the verification shall pay a certification fee of 60 RMB; those who fail the verification will be required to undergo follow-up examinations at their own costs.

International students who do not have health examination in their own countries will be organized by BISU to go to a designated hospital for examination after arriving in China, and the cost (about 400 yuan) will be borne by the students.

Insurance

According to the relevant rules of the Chinese government, international students must buy medical insurance when they stay in China.

New students are required to buy Accident Insurance and Hospitalization Insurance when registering for admission. The insurance premium reference: 400 yuan per person for six months, 800 yuan per person for a year.

Charge Standards

(1) Application fee: 800 RMB

(2) Tuition fee: 22000RMB/ academic year (Outstanding applications are eligible for various levels of financial aid.)

(3) Accommodation fees and Facilities:

Apartment	Rate for Double Room Long-term Students	Room Facilities
Apartment No. 2 Building A	¥16,900 yuan/academic year/ person/bed	bed, bedside table, desk, bedding, air conditioner, toilet (with 24h hot water shower)
Apartment No. 2 Building B	¥16,900 yuan/academic year/ person/bed	bed, bedside table, desk, bedding, air conditioner, toilet (with 24h hot water shower)
Apartment No. 2 Building C	¥9,000 yuan/academic year/ person/bed	bed, bedside table, desk, bedding, air conditioner
Qinxue Apartment	¥10,400 yuan/academic year/ person/bed	bed, bedside table, desk, bedding, air conditioner
Apartment No.12 (International Exchange Center)	¥25,000 yuan/academic year/ person/bed	bed, bedside table, desk, bedding, air conditioner, TV, toilet (with shower and 24-hour hot water)

Note:

① Apartment No.2 has a public kitchen, public bathroom and a public washroom (with washing machines and dryers);

② Apartment room deposit is500RMB/person. If the equipment in the room is not damaged when the student checks out, the room deposit will be returned;

③ This apartment information table is tentative, and room allocation will be arranged by BISU during registration;

④ 100 kilowatt-hours will be free of charge for each room every month to cover daily usage, and students need to pay any extra charges;

⑤ If you pay the accommodation fee in advance, you can have discounts on the accommodation fee for the winter and summer vacations. The specific policy is subject to the regulations of the International Student Apartment Management Center.

Payment Methods

Applicants can transfer the application fee, tuition and accommodation fee to the following bank account:

Beneficiary: Beijing International Studies University

Beneficiary bank: The Agricultural Bank of China Beijing Branch. Ding Fu Zhuang Sub-Branch, Beijing P.R. China

Account No: 11 0433 0104 000 3700 **Swift:** ABOCCNBJ010

AC Account: 65501-9000 **Banking office code:** 474

Note:

① Unless in special circumstances, those who fail to pay tuition and accommodation fees within ten days after registration must pay an additional 5% overdue fine.

② Please take into consideration the impact of daily exchange rate changes, international bank transfer charges and other factors on the final amount of actual tuition paid, as well as notice that the payment of tuition and fees must be in RMB.

③ When new students enter the university, the university can handle residence application procedures for them on their behalf, and the agency fees and visa fees shall be borne by the students.

④ Neither the application fee nor the tuition and accommodation fee are refundable.



Scholarship

CHINESE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP

China's Ministry of Education entrusts the Chinese Scholarship Fund Management Committee to be responsible for the enrollment and management of the Chinese Government Scholarship. The scholarship is divided into full scholarship and partial scholarship. The full scholarship will subsidize tuition, accommodation fees, living expenses, and comprehensive medical insurance premiums, while the partial scholarship only subsidizes one or more of them. Students should contact the Chinese Embassy/Consulate abroad to apply for the scholarships. BISU is a recipient of the Chinese Government Scholarship, and the school code is 10031.

Application: The contact information of the Chinese Embassy/Consulate abroad can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China (https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/).

BEIJING GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The Beijing Government Scholarship is a tuition scholarship sponsored by the Beijing Municipal Government for outstanding international students studying in Beijing. The scholarship is available in two categories: full tuition and partial tuition, both of which must be applied for on a semester basis. Undergraduate and graduate international students at Beijing International Studies University are eligible to apply. International students who are already enjoying the Chinese Government Scholarship are excluded from the evaluation.

Application: Please refer to the website (http://admission.bisu.edu.cn/#/home) for the scholarship application method.

BISU INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Beijing International Studies University has set up the "BISU International Student Scholarship" to attract outstanding international students to study at BISU. The Scholarship is intended to pay for the accommodation fees of international students. Students applying for this program can apply for the Scholarship, but those who are already enjoying the Chinese Government Scholarship are excluded from the evaluation.

Application: Please send emails to our designated email (study@bisu.edu.cn) to apply for the scholarships.

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http://apply.bisu.edu.cn/

School Website:
https://gjfy.bisu.edu.cn/#/newsTrends?columnId=68946376cf1efc5625c71f95&title=International%20Students&tab=6&hide=hide

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