



2019 Guidance for Incoming International Students

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1.Pre-departure Guidance

What to Bring

- CPU Online Application Form, Original transcripts/degree certificates, Admission Notice, passport, Physical exam record(s), JW201/202 form, and photocopies of each.
- Cash, but less than 5,000 Yuan (RMB).
- UnionPay/Visa/Master card that 1.Receives foreign money 2.Supports RMB and online payment with daily transaction limit no less than RMB 30,000 Yuan. Please contact your bank to customize the card.
- A temporary mobile phone SIM card with limited minutes that can be purchased at airport. The rate is very high so it's for emergency use only.
- Contact list, and stay in touch with your family and friends.
- Get immunized. Hepatitis A&B and other epidemic disease immunizations required for international travelling.
- Ethnic clothes will make you a star in school activities. Ethnic foods will help you through the homesick days.
- Bedclothes. Students may prepare some warm clothes, quilts or comforters to meet their own needs. BTW, they are also very cheap here in China.

What Not to Bring

- Electrical appliances. China's voltage is 220V. You may find some electrical wares, including cellphone, unusable in China. High power heaters are not allowed in university dorms.
- Carpets. May cause roaches, mould and smells due to the high humidity.
- CPU does not invite student's family members to China. Since second semester of arrival, Master's and PhD candidates may apply. See details:
<http://international.cpu.edu.cn/56/65/c403a87653/page.htm>
- Foreign insurance plans that don't fulfil the MOE requirements
<http://international.cpu.edu.cn/b8/92/c403a112786/page.htm>
- Pregnancy (strongly suggested NOT to). Birth-related medical expenses are high in China and not covered by your insurance. Besides, you will have to suspend study for childrearing.

Background Info

CPU uses @stu.cpu.edu.cn email and admission email as primary method of communication. Text message, mobile phone calls and WeChat are supplementary. Student shall take responsibility in updating their contact info.

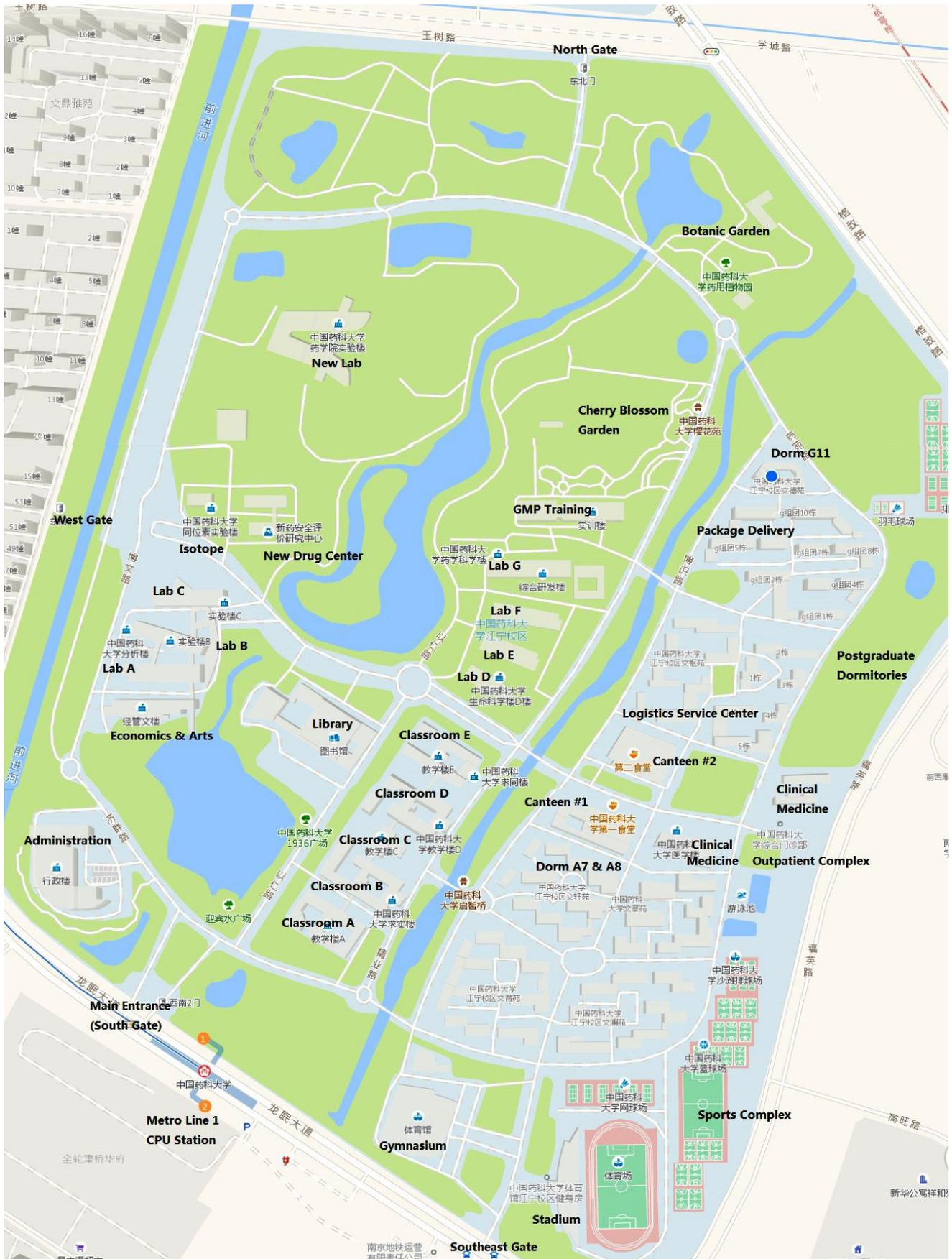
You will have to apply for a local and 1-year or 2-year phone/internet subscription when arriving on campus.

To call from your country to China (e.g. Nanjing), you need to dial: 0086-25-the phone number.

Nanjing has long, cold winter (below 0°C) and long, hot summer (above 35°C) and very high humidity throughout the year.

Most Chinese people use WeChat and QQ instead of Yahoo, Facebook, Twitter and Gmail

CPU Map (Jiangning Campus)





Above: International Hall G11



Right: The red cursor shows the path from south gate to the Hall

2.How to get to CPU

CPU now has two campuses, Jiangning Campus and Xuanwumen Campus. All incoming students shall register at Jiangning Campus.

Transportation Directions

From Lukou Airport to CPU

There is only one airport in Nanjing, namely Lukou international airport. For students arriving at Lukou International Airport, take a taxi to the campus is the most convenient. You may show the following to the driver to take you to the Main Entrance (south gate) of Jiangning Campus. Security Doorways deny entrance of all taxis but the south gate allows in private-owned cars (after deposit the vehicle/driver's license at the security). You may follow the map directions and seek help from volunteers to find our office in G11.

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You can also take airport shuttle or **Metro S1** to Nanjing South Railway Station and then take Metro Line #1 to the campus.

**No official pick-ups will be available since there is significant variance between students' time of arrival.*

Taking Railway to CPU

For students arriving at Nanjing South Railway Station or Nanjing Railway Station, just take Metro line #1 to the last station to Jiangning Campus or to Xuanwumen station to Xuanwumen Campus.

From Shanghai to Nanjing

In Shanghai, there are two international airports: Pudong and Hongqiao. For students arriving at Pudong International Airport, take high-speed train from Shanghai Railway Station to Nanjing South Railway Station. For students arriving at Hongqiao International Airport, take high-speed train from Hongqiao Railway Station to Nanjing South Railway Station.

From Beijing to Nanjing

For students arriving at Beijing Capital international Airport, take the high-speed train from Beijing South Railway Station to Nanjing South Railway Station.

3. Registration

All incoming students shall register at Jiangning campus **on the date specified in Admission Notice** and during the daytime only.

Late Registration (after Sep.5): You are supposed to submit application in writing and get approval from the School beforehand. Otherwise, your student status will be cancelled accordingly and **no fees refunded!**

No on-campus residence or facility is provided to students who arrive prior to the date of registration, so we suggest students who come too early seek for alternative accommodation in a hotel qualified to host foreigners. Either you stay in friend's home (private household) or unqualified hotels off-campus, you must register your own Temporary Residence through WeChat within 24 hours of arrival in Nanjing. Directions for WeChat registration is provided in a form below. Do not go to police station in person.

Documents required for registration:

CPU Online Application Form,

Original transcripts and degree certificates,

Photocopy of transcripts,

Admission Notice,

Passport & Student visa (X visa),

Two photocopies of passport,

JW201 or 202 Form,

Physical exam records.

4. Immigration-related Paperwork within 30 days of arrival

Please visit our school website <http://international.cpu.edu.cn/373/list.htm> for detailed directions and transportation guidance.

No.	When	What	Who	Where (see international.cpu.edu.cn for details)	Supplement Materials
1	24 hours upon arrival in Nanjing (either on- or off-campus)	Register Temporary Residence to Nanjing Police	All	Use WeChat to scan the QR code 	Original Passport ID photo in white background Print the Temporary Residence Form upon "successful" receipt for Residence Permit application
2	Specific date as in Admission Notice	Review Admission Materials	All	International Hall G11-105 (Admission Office)	Admission Notice, JW form, Original Passport, hard copies of the application documents
3	Specific date as in Admission Notice	Scan passport, visa and entry stamp pages	All	G11-103	Registration Form, Original passport
4	Specific date as in Admission Notice	Sign contract and assign a dormitory	All	G11-103 and then Residence Halls	On-campus housing contract Room Offer Letter
5	Before applying for bank account and online payment	Apply for a local mobile phone number	All	On-campus stores: China Telecom, Unicom, China Mobile	Original Passport Some cash
6A	Before online payment	Open a CCB Bank Account	All	China Construction Bank Longmian Dadao Sub-branch	Original passport Local mobile phone number Some cash Local address
6B	Before receiving monthly stipend	Open a Huaxia Bank Account	CSC/Jasmine Full scholarship only	Huaxia Bank Shengtailu Sub-branch, and then report to G11-103	Original passport Local mobile phone number Some cash Local address Fingerprint (clean and moisture)
7	Within 2 weeks of arrival	Pay tuition & fees online	All except full scholarship	Online http://pay.cpu.edu.cn/payment	China Construction Bank card and APP (downloadable on Android APP store or Apple Store) Bank balance > amount due

8	Within 2 weeks of arrival	Buy Insurance	All except full scholarship	Online 	Photo of passport, WeChat Wallet at least ¥600
9	At least 3 workdays before applying for Residence Permit	Physical Exam	All	Jiangsu Hygiene Center 	Online Reservation Required in advance. Empty stomach required. Passport, original health certificates of your own country's (Fee: 300-400 Yuan), and two 2-inch photos.
10	According to the specific date on the receipt	Take Health Certificate	All	Hygiene Center	Receipt
11	Within 30 days upon arrival (preferred: before Sep. 15)	Apply for Residence Permit (>180 days multiple entry)	All	Nanjing Visa Center The application fee must be paid to visa center within 24 hours upon application	1. A completed application Form with 2-inch photo 2. Temporary Residence Form, printed upon "successful" notice of WeChat 3. Passport, and two photocopies for: passport page and Visa page 4. Letter of Immigration issued by the School 5. Health Certificate 6. Yellow page of JW201/202 7. Admission Notice Fee: ¥400 (<=364 days), ¥800 (365 days ~3 years) or ¥1000(more than 3 years))

5. Settle Down!

Q: How to have a meal on-campus and off-campus?

A: If student ID card is provided, student may recharge the card with cash at Logistics Center near Cafeteria #2. The self-service machine also recharges room electricity.

For card loss: take your paperback student ID to the Logistics Center for a new card and a 20 Yuan will be deducted from the card balance.

Students without ID card: may go to Canteen #1 (First Floor middle entrance) to buy meal ticket (valid for one day only), and exchange meal with the ticket. And also there are some canteens that accept WeChat or Alipay.

For those who prefer cooking for themselves, please don't cook in the bedroom!

Q: How to get a local mobile phone number?

A: There are China Mobile, China Telecom and China Unicom stores in Jiangning Campus, near Graduate Student Dormitory #E. Instead of a monthly or prepaid SIM card which charges terribly high, you may apply for an annual mobile/internet plan with your passport. The terms and prices vary. Consult before you pay.

Q: How to take the Metro?

A: There are self-service machines in every Metro station. There is an “English” option. Press the button for your destination and insert coins/scan the QR code to pay. Or, instead of buying ticket every time, you may buy a rechargeable card at the human services by showing your passport to the staff.

Q: How to get the wireless Internet access?

A: The Campus WIFI (wireless connection) covers classrooms, labs, library and cafeteria, except dormitories. Each registered student has a unique 10-digit student ID number. Besides the number of your campus card, it is also your Campus Wireless account and initial password. When use, try to open any off-campus website and it'll be redirected to the login page <http://192.168.199.3/>. Each account allows only one wireless device (mobile phone/ipad/laptop) to login at the same time.

Q: Where do I go shopping?

A: There are some grocery stores and services on campus, e.g. bicycles, books, lab suits, digital stuff, sleeping mats, package delivery and pick-up, printing service, etc. The nearest commercial area is Wending Guangchang, about 10 minutes' walk from campus. If you find them unsatisfactory, you may search for commodities online. Either way, you will find it safe and convenient by creating a mobile pay account (Alipay and WeChat Wallet). You will need an 11-digit mobile phone number in China and a UnionPay bank card that allows online payment.

6.Payment and Scholarship

Q: How to open a bank account?

A: Due to bank policy in China, all foreigners must apply for bank card in person with own passport. Either you leave China or your passport expires, the card will be frozen.

China Construction Bank (best option for Tuition Online Payment) the nearest sub-branch is East TianYuan Rd. Sub-branch. Take Metro Line 1 to LongMian Dadao Station, Yiwu Mall A1.

The Huaxia Bank card is for receiving scholarships. The nearest branch is: Huaxia Bank, Jiangning Branch, Metro Line 1, Sheng Tai Lu Station, Exit #2.

Find the lobby manager and say you want to open an account. Prepare: original passport, a local mobile phone number, address and some cash.

For card loss: deactivate the card at the same sub-branch and the new card will be issued within one week. Tell the new card number to the office.

After creating the account, you will need to download the official APP of the bank. Generally, CPU's all payment and billing services are provided via online banking.

Meanwhile, please take care of personal information and avoid phone fraud. Official customer services never ask for your PIN or verification code.

Please note that the account name in the bank system may be different from your passport name. To get the detailed bank account information (e.g. use it for insurance claims), save or draw small amount of money at the bank counter (not ATM) so that the complete account information (without asterisk "**") will be printed.

Q: How to receive my scholarship?

A: After getting a Bank card, register your fingerprint and report the card number to the Financial Advisor of the School of International Education so that the Financial Office will transfer monthly stipend (or one-time subsidy) accordingly. Students are supposed to press fingerprint for attendance each month (9-15 in general, exception: one week before/after holidays). The School of International Education is responsible for forwarding the name list and monthly standard to the Financial Office, which issues all forms of scholarships to students' Bank card. The payday is usually early each month (before the 10th) but varies when there are public holidays. When students take a long leave, the stipend will be suspended and rolled into the next month of returning, after successful registration.

For your information: Even the full scholarship does not cover all your study costs, and in cases of medical treatment you will have to pay the uninsured medicines/materials, and the exemptions of insurance liabilities.

Q: How can my parents/sponsors send money to me?

A: Open a Bank of China account in person with your passport. Bank of China deals all kinds of foreign money and has the highest priority among all UnionPay banks. It's not far from the Jiangning Campus. Visit international.cpu.edu.cn Student Life section for transportation guidance. For limitations of transaction, please consult the bank of your own country's and Bank of China for latest policies.

You may also create account at Agricultural Bank of China which deals with West Union transfers.

Q: How to pay my school fees?

A: All students have paid RMB 2000 Yuan deposit before admission and for all degree-oriented students it'll be **deducted only from your Second Academic Year's accommodation fees**. Upon arrival, you must be prepared to pay the tuition, accommodation and insurance of the first year or semester for getting the immigration documents. Your online balance can be viewed and paid <http://pay.cpu.edu.cn/payment/>, login with your 11-digit Application ID (same with password) upon registration.

For registered students, telegraphic transfer or payment made in US dollar is not accepted. **If your parents/sponsors insist using telegraphic transaction to the CPU official account, you will have to do a lot of extra work yourself to confirm the transaction with the receiver's bank and Financial Office!!!**

Q: How to avoid running out of money?

A: Make financial plans and understand risks. Usually keep some savings. Give up high-cost living habits and seek for low-cost solutions (e.g. buying second-hand textbooks or legally distributed E-books, turn off air conditioner when you're not in the dorm, use public facilities instead of your own, use free campus WIFI instead of expensive China Telecom).

7. Prepare your mobile phone and laptop

When you can speak Chinese and type Chinese characters, you will find life in CPU much more fun and colorful. But if you cannot, China's advanced Information Technology helps you feel the same. We recommend the following softwares and APPs to international students because they are free, powerful and commonly-used in China.

Communication

Wechat (mobile phone APP)

QQ (computer software, mobile phone APP)

Chinese Character Input

Sougou Pinyin (computer software & mobile phone APP)

Google Pinyin (computer software)

Online translation tools

Youdao Translation (computer software)

Baidu Translation (mobile phone APP)

Lingo Cloud (mobile phone APP)

Online map

Baidu Map (website & mobile phone APP)

Gaode Map (mobile phone APP)

Online Shopping

Taobao (website)

Amazon (books and ebooks)

Mobile Pay

Alipay

WeChat Pay (both require a Union Pay bank card and 11-digit Chinese mobile phone number)

Politically correct know-hows

Zhihu

Quora (try to search for China-related topics)

For more directions for life in China, visit <http://international.cpu.edu.cn/376/list.htm>