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YOUR PATH TO BEIJING



Who can apply?

The China-EU School of Law is looking for law students who are citizens of a country other than the P.R. China. Applicants must hold a law degree (e.g. LL.B. or State Examination) or be currently studying in a law degree programme. Applicants must have sufficient proficiency in English (demonstrated by being a native speaker, having completed undergraduate studies in English, a TOEFL score of 100+, IELTS of 7.0+ or CAE C1).

What documents do you have to submit?

- Copy of passport and one-inch identification photo
- Completed CLTE and CUPL application forms
- English CV
- Letter of recommendation, written in English by a professor from a university where the applicant studied.
- Copy of degree certificate and an English translation (if already obtained)
- Academic transcript (including the grading scheme) demonstrating the applicant's legal studies and an English translation
- Copy of TOEFL, IELTS, CEFR or CAE certificate, or equivalent
- Completed financial statement
- Physical examination results or report (this document is to be submitted at the latest upon enrollment)

Please download the application forms and the financial statement form from the CESL website. Please send all documents to clte_cesl@cupl.edu.cn and present originals bearing your signature at registration.



"Coming to China to study law is not just about law studies. Diving head first into this adventure also helped me gain a deeper understanding of the Chinese society. However, back home, I do now realise that understanding an entirely new legal culture taught me also a lot about my law studies here."

Martin Fertmann, CLTE Alumni from the University of Hamburg

Where do I live?

International students will be provided accommodation in the dormitory at the International Exchange Centre at CUPL's Changping Campus. A standard room is shared by four students. It costs approximately RMB 2,625 per person per semester. Students who wish to live in the dorm have to apply this to the CESL office.

Students can also live in an apartment close to campus. A small apartment with two rooms which could be shared by two students costs approximately RMB 5,000 per month. A shopping centre, banks, a post office, hotels and restaurants are all within walking distance of campus. For living expenses – food, books, medical insurance, transportation, social activities, etc. – international students usually spend RMB 3,000 per month.

The programme at a glance

- Application deadline Early bird: 5 April 2025, final deadline: 1 June 2025
- Duration One semester, September 2025 to 9 January 2026
- Credits Equivalent to 30 ECTS credit points, support for transfer of credits available
- Certificate Certificate and transcript awarded by the China-EU School of Law
- Classes Mostly small classes with international and Chinese students
- Tuition 15,000 yuan
- Scholarships Students from CESL's European partner universities are exempted from paying tuition
- Language English

How much does the programme cost?

The tuition is 15,000 yuan. However, students from CESL's European partner universities are exempted from paying tuition fees.



ONE SEMESTER IN BEIJING 在北京学习一个学期

// Chinese Law Taught in English programme

// Your gateway to Chinese law

DIVE INTO A NEW LEGAL CULTURE



The one-semester “Chinese Law Taught in English” programme exposes international students to Chinese legal thinking and culture. Six master’s level courses at the China-EU School of Law (CESL) at the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) provide students with fundamental insights into Chinese law and its constant evolution as well as with a comparative approach to legal studies. Courses take place at the Changping campus and the downtown campus. Successful participants will receive a certificate and transcript. The curriculum includes courses on

- Chinese Business Law
- Chinese Law and Society
- Chinese Criminal Justice
- Chinese Anti-Monopoly Law
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- Chinese Administrative Law and Regulation
(Courses offered are subject to change)

In recent years, in addition to courses, students had the opportunity to visit law firms and attend criminal trials. All classes are taught by experienced professors specialised in their respective field. Please find detailed course descriptions on the website at www.cesl.edu.cn. The school supports students who opt to learn Chinese.

// The first jointly run Chinese-European law school

MEET LEGAL TALENTS FROM ALL AROUND THE GLOBE

Few schools will instruct you better on Chinese law

The China-EU School of Law is integrated into CUPL, one of China’s leading law schools.

Seventeen years of the China-EU School of Law

Initiated by the People’s Republic of China and the European Union in 2008, CESL was the first Chinese-foreign law school worldwide to bring together legal experts from China, Europe and other parts of the world.

Prepare for an international career

In the classroom, you will study mostly in small groups with law students from all around the world. Participants have come from 26 countries. Depending on their profile, students prepare for a wide variety of positions and later work for international law firms, companies, organisations or government authorities.

Personal attention and support

Questions on the application, visa, your student card or access to the library? CESL’s programme administrators help students from abroad prepare for their semester in Beijing. Additionally, a local student is assigned as a student ambassador to assist international students and help them settle in after arriving.

...and on Sunday, a walk along the Great Wall

The school’s location in the Changping district, a northern suburb of Beijing, allows students to explore the cultural, political and legal heart of China. Changping is an excellent base for exploring downtown Beijing: the city centre is a 45-minute subway ride from campus. Major attractions such as the Jundu Mountain Range and Ming Tombs are about 15-30 minutes from campus, and the Great Wall is about one hour by car.

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MORE INFORMATION

Do you have specific questions about the programme?
You are welcome to visit our website at www.cesl.edu.cn or contact

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