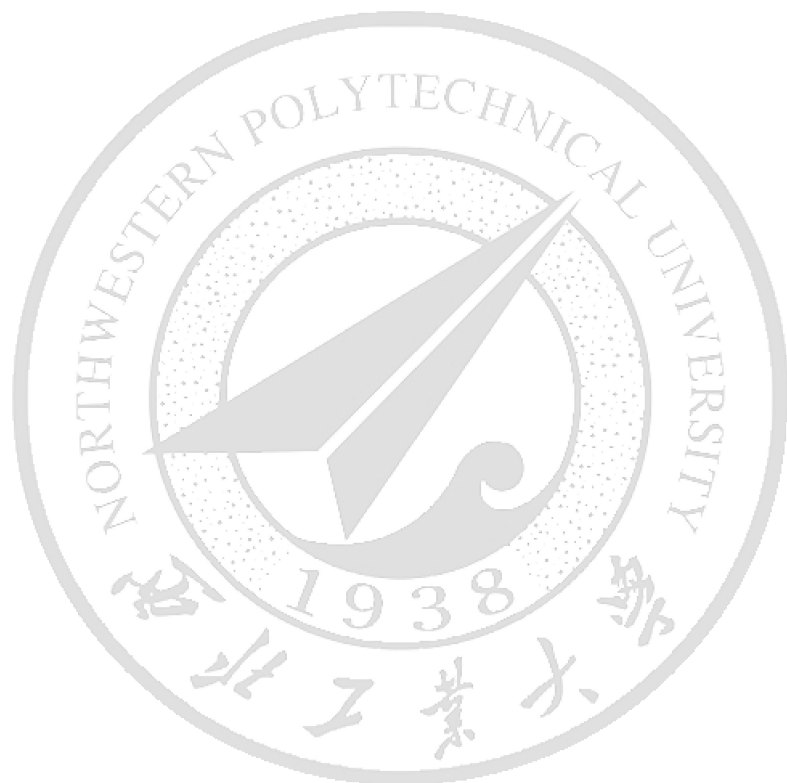




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NORTHWESTERN POLYTECHNICAL UNIVERSITY



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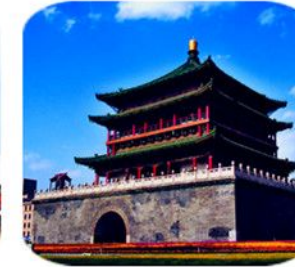
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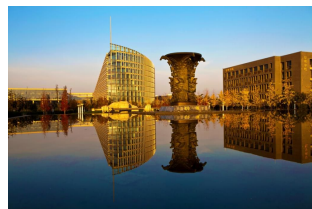


I. Welcome to NPU

Located in historic city Xi'an and founded in 1938, Northwestern Polytechnical University (NPU) is affiliated with the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology. NPU, as a member of the "Excellent Nine (E9) Union of Universities" in China, has justifiably become an educational and research center for northwest China.

NPU, research-oriented, interdisciplinary, and international, is outstanding in aeronautics, astronautics, and marine technology at home and abroad. While NPUers excel at science and technology, they are also distinguished in the fields of management, humanities, economics, and law.

NPU covers an area of 840 acres with 2 campuses and 16 academic schools. Offering undergraduate and graduate programs, NPU has a vibrant and diverse community which consists of about 3,500 dedicated faculty members and 27,000 motivated students in total, with over 1,000 overseas students from over 70 countries.



II. About Xi'an

Xi'an, located in central-northwest China, has recorded the great changes of the country like a living history book. Once the terminus of the Silk Road and a melting pot of cultures and religions, Xi'an is home to the world-famous Terracotta Army.

With millenniums of Chinese history on display, Xi'an is very proud of its scenic sites including the splendid Bell Tower and Drum Tower, the characteristic architecture of Chinese Islam at its finest, the magnificent history museums, and two elegant Buddhist pagodas. Xi'an is a city of about eight million people in the modern Chinese urban context. Known as a paradise for foodies, it is replete with high-rise construction, bustling shopping malls and diverse local cuisines.

Moreover, Xi'an is acknowledged as the largest and most important base of scientific research and a center of higher education, national defense and high-tech industries in China.

III.The Summer Program

1.Program Summary

The NPU Summer Program is a four-week academic session specifically for international students interested in Chinese Studies. The purpose of the program is to give students an opportunity to study conversational Chinese intensively in an environment where it can be put immediately into practice, as well as a chance to learn firsthand about Chinese culture and contemporary society by living and studying there.

2.Calendar

Jul.4, 2015– Jul.31, 2015

3.Language Courses

The Chinese language courses will be provided from the second week through the fourth week. They are designed for students who are serious about improving their spoken Chinese language skills and eager to learn about Chinese society firsthand. The courses will be taught by dedicated Chinese language instructors from NPU. According to students' different levels, this program provides intensive beginner, intermediate, advanced intermediate, and advanced level Chinese language courses. Small class sizes and one-on-one instruction with the teachers make this program perfect for improving students' language skills.

4.Chinese Culture Seminar

Meeting four to six times, the seminar classes consist of in-class introduction to and discussion of Chinese culture and society. The Participants have the opportunity to converse with the international students from different countries. The classes also include practicing Taiji with a Kongfu master and learning to make Chinese food or crafts. In addition, it is a good opportunity to examine the impact of rapid urbanization in a dynamic city of China.

5.Field Trips

The program also organizes course-related excursions that complement what students have discussed and learned in the classroom, and contribute to their general knowledge of Chinese culture and society. The field trips are incorporated into the seminar courses each day during the first week. Possible destinations include:

- Terracotta Army;
- Shaanxi History Museum;
- Big Wild Goose Pagoda and its theme park;
- A rural village to experience what life used to be in long bygone days;
- China's best preserved Bell & Drum Tower and City Wall.



IV.Special Features

1.Chinese Language Partners

The primary feature of this program is the Chinese language partners, which is intended to facilitate cultural understanding. The participants will have regular meetings with our volunteers as language and culture partners. The dedicated Chinese volunteer partners will help the participants gain a meaningful cultural experience and a deeper knowledge of what it means to be a citizen of the world.

2.Housing and Meals

The participants will live on campus close to Chinese students' residence halls with other international students. They will be provided with a meal stipend for purchasing their meals from the five nearby campus cafeterias. They may choose from a wide variety of places to eat around campus. NPU campus is conveniently located near a Tang West Market with numerous restaurants providing Chinese, Korean, Muslim halal and western-style dishes and snacks at a reasonable price.



V. Schedule

Date	Time	Activities
July 5	All day	Check-in
July 6	10:00—12:00	Opening Ceremony
	13:00—16:00	Visiting Chang'an Campus
July 7	09:00—11:00	Culture Seminar An Insider's Introduction to Xi'an
	13:00—17:00	Visiting Shannxi History Museum and Big Wild Goose Pagoda
July 8	09:00—11:00	Culture Seminar China Today I (Economy & Education)
	13:00—17:00	Visiting Terra Cotta Warrior Museum
July 9	09:00—11:00	Culture Seminar China Today II (Soft Power & Problems)
	13:00—17:00	Visiting City Wall and Bell Tower
July 10	09:00—11:00	Culture Seminar Living and Understanding China
	16:00—20:00	Closing Ceremony for Summer Camp
July 11-12	All day	Free Time

Date	9:00—11:00	14:30—16:30
July 13	Language Course	Language Training
July 14	Language Course	Culture Activity (Paper-cut)
July 15	Language Course	Language Activities
July 16	Language Course	Culture Activity (Calligraphy)
July 17	Language Course	Visiting Activities (11:00—16:30)
July 18	Free Time	
July 19	Free Time	
July 20	Language Course	Language Training
July 21	Language Course	Culture Activity (Handicraft)
July 22	Language Course	Language Activities
July 23	Language Course	Culture Activity (Calligraphy)
July 24	Language Course	Visiting Activities
July 25	Free Time	
July 26	Free Time	
July 27	Language Course	Language Training
July 28	Language Course	Language Activities
July 29	Language Course	Language Training
July 30	Examination	Free Time
July 31	Closing Ceremony	Free Time
August 1	Departure	

VI.Application and Deadline:

1. Fill out the *NPU Application Form for International Students*.
2. Send your completed form and a scanned copy of your valid passport mail to edric@nwpu.edu.cn.
3. Deadline: 19th June ,2015

VII.Fees: 4800 RMB (appr.\$775 USD)

Including registration fee, tuition, local transportation, tickets for excursions, food and accommodation.

Welcome to NPU!

