



SUMMER SCHOOL ON CHINA'S GOVERNANCE AND DEVELOPMENT



July 4–20, 2026 Beijing, China



Fully Funded Program

Explore China's governance, development, and global role through an immersive academic and field-based experience.

This is a fully funded program, covering:

Tuition, Accommodation & Meals

Merit scholarship (USD 500—1,000 travel stipend) for top 3—5 applicants, awarded post-program.



Why Join This Program

Governance in Action

Understand how China's policies are designed and implemented—from central strategy to local practice.

Field-Based Learning in Beijing

Conduct field research, interviews, and site visits to explore real-world governance and urban development.

Learn from Leading Experts

Engage with distinguished scholars, policy experts, and practitioners.

Global Learning Environment

Study alongside international peers and build a global academic network.



Hands-on Field Research

Work in teams to explore:

- Urban&rural community governance
- Urban transformation and development
- Beijing Sub-center (Tongzhou) planning and policy



Develop your own research project and present final findings.



How to Apply

Please submit the following documents to zhangqian@bnu.edu.cn

- CV (Curriculum Vitae)
- Statement of Purpose
- Application form
- Proof of English proficiency (if applicable)



Dr. Robert Walker

Application Deadline May 17, 2026

Early application is strongly encouraged (limited seats).



What You Will Study

- Chinese Politics and Governance
- Public Policy and Social Governance
- China in Global Governance (SDGs & Belt and Road)
- Research Methods (Qualitative, Quantitative & AI Tools)



Eligibility

- At least 18 years old
- Undergraduate / graduate / recent graduate
- Strong interest in China studies
- English proficiency required



About Beijing Normal University

Beijing Normal University (BNU) is one of China's leading research universities, globally renowned for its strengths in social sciences. With a long tradition of academic excellence and global engagement, BNU provides an ideal environment for international students to explore China and connect with the world.

- Ranked consistently among the **top 10** universities in China (QS)
- Ranked among the world's **top 150** universities (Times Higher Education)
- Strong reputation in Public Administration, Education, and Social Sciences
- Located in Beijing, China's political and cultural center

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