YOUR GATEWAY TO CHINA-RELATED CAREER

ACADEMIC YEAR
2021/2022

SCHOOL OF LAW AND ECONOMY OF CHINA
UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

华沙大学中国法律与经济学院
Overview

The School of Law and Economy of China is a unique, one-year program at the University of Warsaw. The two semesters long course consists of circa 130 hours and provides participants with knowledge and skills needed to have a blossoming career related to the Middle Kingdom.

The goal of the program is to equip the students with knowledge about the legal system, economy, culture and doing business with China. After finishing the course, the graduates shall be able to run a business activity in China by themselves, understand Chinese investors coming to CEE region, and be able to work at a China desk at any law firm.

In the academic year 2020/21, all the lectures and workshops are held online. The experience gained during COVID-19 pandemic allowed us to plan an engaging online course led by world-class lecturers. Moreover, shifting into remote teaching allows us to plan classes independently from the COVID-19 pandemic in Poland and the University of Warsaw authorities’ decisions on teaching in the upcoming semester.

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- Emilia, alumnus of the 2020/21 edition

The course is designed to meet needs of both current professionals and students wishing to devote their career to China. Are you an entrepreneur wishing to conquer the Chinese market? A consultant or a lawyer advising clients on various forms of cooperation with Chinese partners? An advisor to a Chinese investor? A representative of a company expanding its scope of business to the Middle Kingdom? A government official of an international cooperation department? An ambitious student who plans to pursue one of the above career paths?

Regardless of your background - School of Law and Economy of China will help you develop a China-related career.
Admissions timeline:

4 August 2021 - Opening of the application period
19 September 2021 - Closing of the early-bird application period
3 October 2021 - Closing of the regular application period
16 October 2020 - Beginning of the courses

Note: Special conditions for application might be offered to partners and sponsors of the School as well as public institutions. The School reserves the right to organize a second round of application if deemed necessary.
Modes of study

Mode of studies

**Duration:** One academic year (October 16 - May 28)

**Classes:** Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM (126 hours in total)

**Mode of teaching:** Lectures, case studies, workshops

**Language of instruction:** English

**ECTS points:** 12

**Graduation requirements**

- The final evaluation is based on student’s activity during the classes. Students will be asked to prepare half-page memos based on core readings for every lecture.
- During all of the online classes participants are asked to turn their cameras on.
- Two absences per semester are acceptable. A complete absence is regarded as not participating in an entire teaching session.
- Upon graduation, the students will receive a certificate issued by the University of Warsaw. Students who provide a facultative mini essay (and meet other requirements) are entitled to receive a certificate with distinction.
Recruitment

Admission requirements and the profile of candidates

The course is designed for current students of all years as well as university graduates. This well-tailored program is created for candidates coming in with legal, business, international relations and political science backgrounds.

Language skills: English (B2)

- The candidates are **not required** to provide a language certificate.
- Knowledge of Chinese is **not required** for the course.
- Legal knowledge is **not required** for the course. Legal background will be an additional advantage.
- Experience related to China is regarded as desired but not obligatory.

Tuition fees

**Early bird fee for students:** 1 950 PLN / semester  
**Early bird fee for PhD students:** 2 150 PLN / semester  
**Early bird fee for professionals:** 2 900 PLN / semester

The early bird fee is valid until the **19th of September**. The School does not offer scholarships. Participants of the School might apply for an **interest-free loan supported by the Polish government**.

Upon graduation students granted such loans might be subjected to a 25% discount. For more details, please visit [www.inwestujwrozwoj.pl](http://www.inwestujwrozwoj.pl).

How to apply?

- Fill in the application form available [here](http://www.inwestujwrozwoj.pl) or print the form, sign it, scan it and send us via [email](mailto:contact@inwestujwrozwoj.pl).
- Wait one week for the admission decision. Candidates will be selected on the basis of their academic and professional merit, as well as strong interest in China.
- Pay the tuition fee in total or the first installment within 14 days from receiving the admission letter. If you decide to pay in two installments, the second one should be paid on February 2022.
Winter semester

16 Oct 2021  Opening speech and orientation meeting

Prof. Dominik Mierzejewski (University of Łódź)
Local Governments and Society in Contemporary China

23 Oct 2021  Jakub Jakóbowksi (Center for Eastern Studies)
Chinese Communist Party and the State: Xi Jinping’s Political System
Dr Tamaš Matura (Corvinus University of Budapest)
China - Superpower of the 21st Century?

6 Nov 2021  Prof. Mingzhe Zhu (CUPL, University of Antwerp)
The History and Fundamental Principles of Chinese Law
Dr Wei Tian (University of Munich)
Introduction to Chinese Constitutional Law: History, Principles and Institutions

20 Nov 2021  Prof. Björn Ahl (University of Cologne)
Chinese Constitutional Law: Party-state system, Supreme People’s Court and judicial reforms
Dr Patrick Jiang (Peking University)
Understanding Events in Hong Kong from a Constitutional Perspective (with reference to the EU)

27 Nov 2021  TBA
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4 Dec 2021  Prof. Zhang Qingmin (Peking University)
The Return of History in China’s Foreign Policy
Prof. Xu Xin (Cornell University)
Making Sense of China’s Rise: An Unfolding World (Dis-)order in the 21st Century

11 Dec 2021  Paulina Kanarek
Chinese Foreign Investments in Poland - opportunities and challenges
Grzegorz Stec (Mercator Institute for China Studies)
Belt and Road Initiative and Connectivity Strategy: EU-China Cooperation & Competition
Curriculum

15 Jan 2022  Csaba Wolf (Ministry of Finance, Hungary)
Doing Business with Chinese
Sławomir Majman (Security and International Development Institute)
Communication in China: Traditions, Myths and Common Sense

22 Jan 2022  Dr Andrzej Juchniewicz (Polish Investment and Trade Agency, Shanghai)
How to Start a Business in China? The Economic Perspective

29 Jan 2022  Karol Piekut (Piekut Advisory)
E-commerce 101: How to sell to China?
Di Yao (Google Shanghai)
A Brief Introduction to Intellectual Property in China; How to protect your innovation in China?

Summer semester

The curriculum of the summer semester will be published in October. The classes will cover, among others, Chinese tax and environmental law, dispute resolution, Chinese contract and commercial Law, IP law, new technologies in the service of state, competition and procurement law in China. The School reserves the right to introduce changes in the Curriculum.
Lecturers in 2021/2022

To deliver the most practical knowledge, the lectures are conducted by professors from top universities in China and all around the world, while the trainings and workshops are led by experienced professionals ranging from business people (including consultancies and SOE’s) and policy analysts through lawyers from international law firms.

PROF. DOMINIK MIERZEJEWSKI
UNIVERSITY OF ŁÓDŹ

Chair at Center for Asian Affairs (University based think-tank), professor at the Department of Asian Studies at the Faculty of International and Political Studies, studied at the Shanghai International Studies University (1999-2000, 2003-2004), visiting professor in the Chinese Academy of Social Science granted by the Polish Foundation for Science (2010-2011), member of: European International Studies Association, European Association for Chinese Studies (board member 2008-2014) and vice editor in chief of “Azja-Pacyfik” (yearbook) and “Journal of Contemporary Eastern Asia” (Austria/South Korea) and “Sinologia Hispanica”. His research focuses on China’s political development, rhetoric of Chinese foreign policy and local governments involvement in China’s foreign policy. He publishes two monographs, and dozens of articles published e.g. in Singapore, United Kingdom and the United States.

DR TAMAS MATURA
CORVINUS UNIVERSITY OF BUDAPEST

Tamas Matura is the Founder of the Central and Eastern European Center for Asian Studies. He has been working on China for a decade, started his career at the Hungarian Institute of International Affairs. He used to serve as an adviser on China to the Minister of National Economy, as an editor of the China Strategy of Hungary, and as an author of the BRICS Strategy of Hungary. Right now he is a Assistant Professor of Corvinus University of Budapest, the Hungarian a member of the European Think Tank Network on China. Mr. Matura holds a doctoral MA in Law, and an MA in International Relations.

JAKUB JAKÓBOWSKI
CENTER FOR EASTERN STUDIES

Jakub Jakóbowski is a Senior Fellow at the Centre for Eastern Studies (Ośrodek Studiów Wschodnich). Analyst in the Program of the Chinese Center for Eastern Studies. Graduate of the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology of the University of Warsaw (UW) and the International Economic Relations at the Warsaw School of Economics (SGH). PhD student at the Economic and Social College of the Warsaw School of Economics, preparing a doctoral dissertation at the subject of China’s foreign economic policy towards developing countries. Taiwan Fellowship holder at Taipei’s Soochow University, lecturer at postgraduate studies at the University of Warsaw and the Warsaw School of Economics. In 2012-2015 he worked in export consultancy for the Polish SME sector, on the markets of East Asia and the CIS area.
Lecturers in 2021/2022

DR MINGZHE ZHU
CUPL, UNIVERSITY OF ANTWERP

Dr Mingzhe Zhu is Assistant Professor of Law in China University of Political Science and Law (Beijing). He is currently doing his research at the University of Antwerp. After completing his Doctoral dissertation on French Civil Law in Sciences Po. (Paris), he joined CUPL in 2015. He teaches Legal Philosophy, History of Law, Comparative Law, Public International Law, and Law & Science Studies in China, France, and Croatia. Dr Zhu is also an author of more than thirty articles published in Chinese, English, or French. As the result of conscient efforts of breaking the traditional boundaries, his work covers a broad range of disciplines, including French Civil Law, French Constitutional Law, Legal Philosophy, Transnational History of Legal Theories, Public and Private International Law, and Ecological Law. His recent research is dedicated to an interdisciplinary study of Climate Change, with the focus on carbon gas markets.

DR TIAN WEI
UNIVERSITY OF MUNICH

Tian Wei studied law and received his PhD from Renmin University of China Law School in Beijing. He is currently working on his second doctoral degree at the Faculty of Law at the University of Munich. From 2017 to 2018 he was a visiting scholar at the University of Oxford. Tian Wei’s research interests focus on Chinese constitutional law, comparative constitutional law, separation of powers and state-religion relation.

PROF. BJÖRN AHL
UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE

Björn Ahl is Professor and Chair of Chinese Legal Culture. Before joining the University of Cologne in 2012, he was Visiting Professor of Chinese Law, Comparative Public Law and International Law in the China EU School of Law at the Chinese University of Political Science and Law in Beijing. Prior to that he held a position as Assistant Professor of Law in the City University of Hong Kong. He has also worked as Associate Director and Lecturer in the Sino German Institute of Legal Studies of Nanjing University and as a Researcher at the Max Planck Institute of Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg. Björn Ahl is President of the European China Law Studies Association; Fellow at the Center for Chinese Law of the University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law; and Board Member of the Sino German Jurists Association.

DR PATRICK JIANG
PEKING UNIVERSITY

Patrick Jiang is a Lecturer at the Peking University School of Transnational Law. He has a B.S. from MIT, a J.D. from Boston University School of Law, and an LL.M. from University College London. He was previously an associate with Skadden in Hong Kong and Goodwin Procter in Boston, MA. His research interests include comparative constitutional law, law and economics and legal pedagogy. He is also an author of numerous academic publications.
Lecturers in 2021/2022

ZHANG QINGMIN
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Zhang Qingmin is a Professor and Chair of the Department of Diplomacy, School of International Studies, Peking University. His teaching and research interests include diplomatic studies and theory of foreign policy analysis with an empirical focus on China. He has rich international experience of teaching and research, including being a senior Fulbright Visiting Scholar at George Washington University, a visiting Professor at Faculty of Law, Tokyo University, and The University of Otago, New Zealand. He has taught Chinese foreign policy related courses at University Paris Sud, France, Niigata University, Japan, University of Palermo, Italy, National Chengchi University of Taiwan, Yale University. He was a founding editorial board member of Foreign Policy Analysis in the U.S., an editorial board member of The Hague Journal of Diplomacy, and an Associate Editor-in-Chief of Diplomacy and Foreign Policy with the University of Oxford. He received M.A. from Brigham Young University in Utah, U.S.A. and Ph.D. from China Foreign Affairs University.

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CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Dr. Xu Xin is Executive Director of Cornell University’s Levinson China and Asia-Pacific Studies Program and Adjunct Professor in Cornell’s Department of Government; he is also Visiting Professor at Peking University Summer School International. He received a BA and MA in Law (International Relations) from Peking University and a PhD in Government from Cornell University. He was formerly Associate Professor of International Relations at Peking University in China, and Associate Professor of Asia Pacific Studies at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University in Japan. He has been a Visiting Research Fellow at the Japan Institute of International Affairs, an International Fellow at the Charles F. Kettering Foundation in the United States, a Postdoctoral Fellow on National Security in the John M. Olin Institute for Strategic Studies at Harvard University, and a Postdoctoral Research Fellow and Acting Director of the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program at Princeton University. His research and teaching focus on Chinese foreign policy and East Asian international relations.

GRZEGORZ STEC
MERCATOR INSTITUTE FOR CHINA STUDIES (MERICS)

Grzegorz Stec is an analyst at Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS). His research focuses on EU-China relations, including their institutional framework, strategic discourse deployed by the two sides and the EU’s common foreign policy building efforts. He also monitors Poland-China and wider Central and Eastern Europe-China relations. Prior to joining MERICS, he founded a Brussels-based non-profit platform “EU-China Hub” and co-founded a Beijing-based consultancy company focused on the impact of the Belt and Road Initiative. He has also worked as a contributor to Oxford Analytica. Grzegorz holds a Master of Science degree in Contemporary Chinese Studies (University of Oxford - as a recipient of Jenkins Memorial Scholarship), a Master of Economics degree in China Studies (Yenching Academy of Peking University), and three BA degrees in International Relations, in Comparative Studies of Civilizations, and in Asia Studies (Jagiellonian University in Krakow). He also studied Chinese language at Beijing Foreign Studies University and Beijing Language and Culture University.
Lecturers in 2021/2022

PAULINA KANAREK

Paulina is a policy analyst and researcher, with several years of experience interacting with China and Latin America across the fields of business, diplomacy and education. Paulina Kanarek is a graduate of Sinology and Economics at the University of Oxford and the University of London (School of Oriental and African Studies). She received Yenching Academy scholarship at Peking University. Paulina has extensive experience in diplomatic roles; she completed an internship at the Polish embassy in Beijing, the Polish consulate in Shanghai, as well as in several leading non-governmental organizations. Her research interests include the New Silk Road and Chinese investments in Europe and South America. She has also worked as a Trade Advisor at the British Embassy in Warsaw.

CSABA WOLF
MINISTRY OF FINANCE, HUNGARY

Csaba Wolf - International Expert at the Ministry of Finance (Hungary), Global Business Development Director of Medical Evolution Ltd., Vice President of ChinaCham, Hungarian-Chinese Chamber of Economy, and also Vice President of the Chinese Division of the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Former Business Development Director at Deloitte Hungary and lead coordinator of Chinese Services Group at Deloitte Central Europe. He used to serve as the economic and commercial counsellor of the Hungarian Embassy in Pyongyang and Beijing. Csaba is a Peking University graduate majoring in international politics.

SŁAWOMIR MAJMAN
SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Sławomir Majman graduated in Foreign Relations from Moscow State Institute of International Relations. His career included a CEO position in Warsaw Exhibition Board and over 8 years as the President of the Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency. For 11 years Mr Majman has been in charge of the Managers Association in Poland. In 2016-2018 Mr Majman served as Managing Director in Dentons Poland. Since 2018 he has been Deputy Director of the Institute of Security and International Development and Vice President of the Warsaw Exhibition Board. Mr Majman’s media background included executive positions at the Polish Agency Interpress, Polish Radio and Radio Solidarnosc. Mr Majman is an author of over 800 publications. Commissioner General of Poland at Shanghai World Expo and a long term Consultant of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council. He is also a Senior Fellow of Renmin University in Beijing and an expert of Jagiellonian University, Institute of Middle and Far East.
Lecturers in 2021/2022

**ANDRZEJ JUCHNIEWICZ**
**POLISH INVESTMENT AND TRADE AGENCY**

Director of Polish Investment and Trade Agency China Representative Office in Shanghai. Shanghai Expo 2010 Poland Pavilion Manager. Graduated from Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan in sinology studies and finished Ph. D. in Xiamen University. In 2018, he obtained a Master’s degree in Law from East China University of Political Science and Law.

**DI YAO**
**GOOGLE**

Di Yao is now acting as Head of Legal in Google’s Shanghai office. Before Google, Di worked as Head of Legal and Business Development - APAC for GoPro and Managing Associate in King & Wood Mallesons. Di graduated from SISU Law School and received his Master of Laws in Stanford Law School. Di is studying an Executive Program in Harvard Kennedy School.

**KAROL PIEKUT**
**PIEKUT ADVISORY**

Karol Piekut obtained his Bachelor’s degree (international business) from Mercyhurst College (USA) and Master’s degree in Finance and Accounting from Warsaw School of Economics. Recipient of Confucius Institute Scholarship at Fudan University, China. His field of expertise includes the economic development of China. He has over 10 years of business experience related to China, covering business negotiations, market analysis, lectures and seminars.
The School of Law and Economy of China is a fantastic opportunity to become familiarized with a broad array of topics relating to China. Ranging from domestic governance to business etiquette, to security, energy, the legal systems, and trade, the program offers comprehensive insight into China as a country and its place on the world stage. A complete picture of China is offered. The lecturers give interesting perspectives on all these different fields based on their own experiences (...). For myself, the inspiration gained regarding future employment possibilities was one of the most valuable aspects to the program - I did not know about a lot of jobs and sectors that some of the lectures came from, and it was incredibly interesting to ask them about how they ended up there and what they actually do in practice. Ultimately, I would highly recommend this program for anyone interested in getting to know more about the bigger picture of China!

- Niels (Netherlands)

The one-year course at the School of Law and Economy of China allowed me to develop my knowledge of contemporary China on many levels. Diverse lectures devoted to politics, economics, various areas of law and practical knowledge about running a business in China were a real repository of knowledge which I will be able to use in my future career. An excellent level of classes conducted by well-known experts from the best universities in the world exceeded my wildest expectations. Contact with the employees of the School and the organization of the course were at the highest level. Before the classes, the students were always provided with additional texts, thanks to which they could explore the topic even better and prepare for the lectures. I wholeheartedly recommend the School of Law and Economy of China to anyone who is interested in modern China and wants to deepen their knowledge on this subject. I am confident that the various topics of the lectures will interest everyone, regardless of their field of studies.

- Emilia (Poland)

The virtual time I spent in the zoom class was really great. The professors help me to develop critical thinking about China-related issues. The topics discussed covered several fields of study and they were very challenging (...) and really interesting. The course contributed to my personal growth and greatly enriched my knowledge. I also really enjoyed speaking and interacting with international students, hearing different points of views. So, all of the students keen on China should take this opportunity.

- Elena (Italy)
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