2016 Call For Applications in IESD, Tongji University

1. Background and Introduction

UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development, hereinafter referred to as “IESD”, jointly established by UNEP and Tongji University in 2002, has served as a strategic think-tank for UNEP, an inter-disciplinary platform for Tongji University and contributed significantly for environment and sustainable development from three main pillars – education, research and outreach. IESD has the mandate to mainstream environment and sustainable development into higher education, to promote research, education and South-South Cooperation on the environment and sustainability, to enhance the service of science and technology to policy-making and implementation, and to provide tailored solutions to the Southern countries. With support from UNEP, Ministry of Education of China and Tongji University, IESD launched the International Master’s Programmes and Doctoral Programme since 2006. Up to now, IESD has enrolled 300 students from more than 40 countries.

2. Objectives

This program aims to equip candidates of integrated environment management vision and leadership at the local, national and regional levels on sustainable development. Students are expected to master various concepts and gain knowledge on economic progress, social systems, environmental protection and resource conservation issues. The three pillars of human, environment and the economy form the basis of the program.

3. About the Programmes

A. We’re offering the following programmes:

(1) 2016-2018 Master Programme on Environmental Management and Sustainable Development (Major in Environmental Science)

(2) 2016-2018 Master Programme on Environmental Engineering (Major in Environmental Engineering)

(3) 2016-2019 Doctoral Programme on Environmental Management and Sustainable Development (Major in Environmental Science)

B. Language: Courses are taught in English (with Chinese language courses would be offered as well).

C. The program consists of lectures, class discussions, field trips and intensive lectures from senior experts from other universities, UNEP and other international organizations.

D. Duration and Certificates:

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4. **Study Plan and Courses**

Public Courses + Degree Courses + Non Degree Courses + Dissertation + other academic steps

Please see the annex for the details.

5. **Qualification and Application**

**A. Qualification**

- Above 18 years old, non-Chinese citizen in good health.
- Applicants for Master programs should have a Bachelor degree.

Note: Since 2010, those who immigrated to other countries from the Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macao or Taiwan and applying to study in Tongji University as international students, should satisfy the following additional requirements: the applicants must hold valid passport or other relevant international recognized documents for at least 4 years; meanwhile, in the latest 4 years (by each April 30th of the year of University registration), the applicants must live overseas for 2 years (Living overseas for 9 months can be converted to 1 year, which is subject to the exit-entry stamp on visa.).

**B. Application period**

December 2015 – 30th May 2016 (The programme would start from September 2016)

**C. Application Materials**

1. Application Form for International Students of Tongji University with the applicant’s signature.
2. A photocopy of passport (pages with photo).
3. A photocopy of the degree certificate. If the certificate is not in Chinese or English, the original notarized translated versions must be submitted.

* The certificate should be notarized by local Chinese Embassy or local Chinese Consulates (or foreign embassies or consulates in China).
* Certificate of expected graduation issued by education in current academic institution (for applicants who will be graduating in the same year only).
* Degree certificate is required to be verified and notarized documents must be submitted at the registration.

4. Original or notarized academic transcripts (not a copy). If the academic transcripts are not in Chinese or English, the original notarized translated document must be submitted.
* The transcript should be notarized by local Chinese Embassy or local Chinese Consulates (or foreign embassies or consulates in China).

5. Recommendation letters from two professors or associate professors, in Chinese or English (signature and contact information are necessary, sealed in envelop).

6. Personal statement. Around 1000 words for Master candidates and around 1500 words for doctoral candidates. Study and work experience, academic research achievement, planned research proposal should be included and individual development objective after graduation.

8. Catalogue and abstract of published papers, and other documents that can prove academic ability.

9. Letter of Approval from the professor of Tongji University if the applicant contact and assign a professor.

* In addition to the above application materials, the university may require applicant to provide supplementary materials, depending on the circumstances. Application materials sent by email are unacceptable. The application fee is nonrefundable. Application documents will not be returned.

D. Application Procedure

1. Complete the Online Application procedure at the website [http://study-info.tongji.edu.cn](http://study-info.tongji.edu.cn) and print the application form.

2. Pay the application fee by bank transfer and submit the photocopy of transfer voucher with other documents or pay it directly when submitting the documents at international student office.

3. The applicants can submit the documents in person (or entrust others to submit) or send the documents by post. Application documents should be received by the deadline, or it will be considered as a waiver of application.

*The enrollment and admission mode of Tongji University is based on the assessment of the application materials and interview performance (depending on the circumstances), and no entrance examinations.

E. Expenses

    Application fee: 410RMB

*Application fee should be paid when applying and the fee is non-refundable.

Tuition: 39 000 RMB/Year

*Tuition fee and Insurance fee (600RMB/Year) should be paid when making registration.

**Bank Account Information:**

Beneficiary Bank: Bank of China, Shanghai Branch
No. 23 Zhongshan Road (E.1) Shanghai, 200002, P.R.China
Swift number: BKCHCNBJ300
Beneficiary: TongJi University
Beneficiary Bank Account: 433859245525

F. Scholarships

There’re limited scholarships for excellent candidates whom has academic background or working experience in environment, science, engineering and other sustainability-related areas.
1. “Chinese Government Scholarship - Postgraduate Study Program” of Tongji University
   Deadline: 1st March 2016, more details in the annex.

2. Shanghai Municipal Government Scholarship
   Deadline: 1st April 2016, more details in the annex.

6. **Admission and Registration**

   1. Please follow your application process in the Apply Online System. Once you were admitted by Tongji, the admission status will change. The admission notice and visa documents (JW202 Form) will be sent off after two weeks of admission.

   2. The admitted applicants should bring their Passport, Admission Notice, Visa Application Form (JW202) to the Embassy or Consulate of the People's Republic of China, and apply for a student visa. Students shall come to Tongji University for admission registration before the deadline indicated on the Admission Notice.

   3. The first year for master-degree candidates and doctoral candidates is a trial year. master-degree candidates and doctoral candidates are qualified to prepare a dissertation only after passing all the degree exams in the first academic year. Those who fail the degree exams will be considered as advanced-study students.

7. **Contact**

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