

International Master of Public Administration (IMPA)

Program at School of Government

Founded in 1898, Peking University was the first national university in China to offer academic training in a wide range of disciplines. Peking University has a long history and rich cultural heritage. For more than 100 years, Peking University, as one of the top universities in China, has held fast to the educational philosophies of freedom of thought and inclusiveness. As a result, the university has attracted large numbers of renowned scholars, cultivated many outstanding talents, and has had significant domestic and international influence. Peking University has made irreplaceable contributions to the goals of national rejuvenation and liberation, national construction and development, as well as societal development and progress, and is an important vanguard role in China's modernization process. The traditional values of patriotism, progress, democracy and scientific inquiry, as well as the academic spirit of diligence, rigor, pragmatism and innovation have been passed on from generation to generation in PKU.

Adhering to the philosophies of "spreading political culture, leading academic trends, cultivating excellent citizens and creating outstanding leaders", the School of Government has closely integrated the discipline of public administration with China's major strategic needs. Over the years, the School of Government has nurtured many high-level, inter-disciplinary public sector leaders in China and all over the world. This program is strategically positioned to develop outstanding leadership talent for the global public sector. It aims to nurture graduates who have international perspective, are familiar with China, and who possess foresight, introspection and innovation. In this program, students will master professional knowledge in the fields of public administration and public policy through advanced analytical methods and technology. They will be equipped with the ability to analyze and solve public sector problems in complex environments, and be well-positioned for high-level, inter-disciplinary leadership positions in the public sector.

The Peking University School of Government welcomes international students to study in the International Master of Public Administration (IMPA) program. The IMPA program seeks to enroll: university graduates interested in public sector management, government officials, staff of multinational corporations, staff of international organizations, staff of research institutions and international nonprofit organizations, as well as management staff of foreign government agencies, multinational enterprises, international organizations and nonprofit organizations based in China.

Program Mode and Registration Period

- 1) Full-time education;
- 2) 2-year program;
- 3) The language of instruction is English.

Application Requirements

- 1) Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens with a valid passport, be in good health, abide by the laws and regulations of the Chinese Government as well as the rules and regulations of the school; Residents of mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan who have emigrated to other countries and are applying to Peking University as international students must present valid passport or citizenship documents dating from before April 30, 2015, along with proof of cancellation of Chinese nationality;
- 2) Applicants for **Master's program** must have attained a bachelor's degree and students who graduated from non-Chinese universities must hold a bachelor's degree from a university accredited by the Ministry of Education of China (Grade skipping or joining in the middle of the course is not acceptable);
- 3) Applicants must be proficient in English. Non-native English speakers or candidates whose undergraduate course was not conducted in English are required to submit a TOEFL, GRE or IELTS test score as proof of English proficiency.
- 4) All applicants shall be in good physical condition and carry no infectious diseases which may potentially have a serious impact on public health, or which fall under any of the health situations prohibited by China's Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations.

Application Period and Mailing Address

The application period for the IMPA program is up to March 31, 2021. The application materials must be sent to: MPA Center, Room 125, Leo KoGuan Building, School of Government, Peking University, Beijing, China, 100871. The date of the postmark will be used as reference for application materials.

Submitted Application Materials

Documents		Requirements	Original copy	Photocopy
1	PKU Application Form	The PKU Application Form will be available until March 31, 2021, please visit http://www.studyatpku.com to fill in the application form. It must be printed out, signed, dated, and have a photo attached on to it.	1	1
2	Degrees	Graduation certificate and degree diploma (Students expecting to graduate should provide an official letter stating expected graduation date), must be original documents or certified copies either in Chinese or English.	1	1
3	Official Transcripts	Official transcripts of your academic achievement up to the present, including courses taken and standard achieved, must be original documents or certified copies either in Chinese or English.	1	1
4	Personal Statement	Personal statement must be written in English and be around 1500 words in length. The contents should cover essential information such as the applicant's academic background, work experience, achievements, and future career plans, including their proposed research at Peking University.	1	1
5	Recommendation Letters	Two recommendation letters from your referees. The referees should be professors or persons with relevant academic title. At least one of them should have knowledge of your recent academic work.	1	1
6	English Language Proficiency Test Results	If your mother tongue is not English and you are not a national of one of the majority English-speaking countries, you must show evidence of a minimum level of English language proficiency. You may be able to prove	1	1

		this in the following ways: TOEFL iBT (100 points or above) or GRE (315 points or above) or IELTS (7.0 or above) test scores.		
7	Photocopy of a Valid Passport	Two photocopy of your valid passport. The passport must be a regular personal passport that is valid for three months after enrollment. All successful candidates must enter PRC and register with Peking University using the same passport as used for applying for the program.	0	2
8	Supporting Material	Table of contents and abstracts of your academic publications and any other original achievement in your field (not compulsory).	1	1
9	CV	In English.	1	1

Note: None of the materials submitted to MPA Center will be returned.

Application Fee

There is a non-refundable application fee of 800 RMB. International applicants are required to use the online payment while applying through the PKU online application system.

Initial Round of Selection

The eligibility of all the applicants will be assessed according to the requirements by the Admissions Committee of School of Government. The school will select qualified applicants for an interview by the end of April, 2021.

Interview

After an initial round of selection, an interview is required before students are admitted. The Admissions Committee will give a comprehensive test for applicants and submit the admission list to the MPA Center.

Admission

After all examination processes and confirmation of the admission list by the Graduate School and International Students Office, the offer letter will be sent out in late June 2021 together with other necessary documents for visa processing.

Registration

Registration will take place in early September 2021. The exact date will be specified in the admission letter.

Tuition and Scholarship

- 1) The tuition of the IMPA program will be RMB 80,000 Yuan per year, and RMB 160,000 Yuan in total for two years.
- 2) Applicants are able to apply for the following scholarships: Chinese Government Scholarship, Beijing Government Scholarship and Peking University International Student Scholarship. According to the scholarships, part of the tuition fee and other fees such as dormitory fees, allowance and insurance may be covered if the application is successful.
- 3) The assessment and grant of scholarships shall be subject to assessment in accordance with the relevant regulations of the state and the university. For more information please refer to www.isd.pku.edu.cn.

Visa, medical insurance and accommodation

Students admitted to PKU may apply for your visa at the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in your country with your letter of admission and JW201/202 form. International students who will study in China for over 6 months are required to obtain 'X1' Visa, which will only be valid for 30 days after your arrival in China. You must come to the International Students Division and apply for a Residence Permit within 30 days in order to obtain a legal status in China.

All international students must be medically insured throughout their entire planned period of study. Students are required to purchase the Comprehensive Insurance Plan of Foreign Students on the day of registration. Students who do not have valid medical insurance will not be allowed to register.

Except for the applicants who have been awarded a scholarship, no accommodation will be provided; the international students who have resided outside the campus must register at the local police station within 24 hours after arriving in China.

Degree

Students are required to complete the curriculum, fulfill the designated credits, complete the master's thesis and defend it in front of a panel of experts. Successful graduates will receive a graduation certificate along with the Master's degree, according to the regulation of the Degree Committee.

Additional Notices

Further information about the School of Government can be found on our website.

Graduate students are not allowed to be enrolled in two or more programs at the same time.

Depending on the Covid-19 situations, we may slightly adjust our enrollment policies of 2021 in accordance with government directives and announce any changes in a time manner.

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