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## Semester Abroad: China Tsinghua University



*Tsinghua University's campus and academic program are a perfect blend of the traditional and the modern.*

As understanding of China's complex legal framework has become increasingly necessary to international lawyers, Temple's partner in China, Tsinghua University, launched an English-language LL.M. program in Chinese law in 2005. The fall semester is open to J.D. students as a semester study abroad program. Courses, which are conducted in English, are taught by Tsinghua University faculty and visiting legal scholars.

A country with rich cultural heritage and a powerful voice in the global economy, China is the fourth largest import/export country worldwide. Tsinghua University, located in the northwestern suburbs of Beijing, was established in 1911 on the site of "Qing Hua Yuan," a former royal garden of the Qing Dynasty. Tsinghua University Law School was established in 1929, and has since graduated many well-known Chinese legal scholars, judges, and attorneys. Tsinghua University is considered the leading institution for legal education and research in China, with more than 1,300 students and 49 faculty members in various undergraduate and graduate programs.

Temple students may wish to combine a semester in Japan and a semester in Beijing, with a bridge summer in Asia, for a truly unique experience. We recommend students begin with the spring semester program in Japan and perhaps complete a summer internship before heading to Beijing in the fall.

**Housing**

Tsinghua University offers dormitories with easy access to classrooms, faculty offices, and other facilities. Residences house students from China and all over the world.

**Applications**

Temple J.D. students apply internally for a limited number of spaces each fall semester. Please visit [www.law.temple.edu](http://www.law.temple.edu) for application deadlines and information. Students from other law schools should consult their home law school administration for approval and apply directly to Tsinghua University ([www.tsinghua.edu.cn](http://www.tsinghua.edu.cn)).

**Tuition and Financial Aid**

Temple students pay Tsinghua's semester tuition, earn transfer credit toward the Temple J.D., and are eligible to use financial aid to cover tuition and living expenses. After securing approval to attend from the International Programs Office, students should consult the Temple Law Financial Aid Office for more information. Students from other law schools should consult their law school administration and financial aid office.



*Temple J.D. students Michelle Younger and Peter Fox with an American LL.M. student in traditional dress at the Ming Dynasty Temple of Heaven, built in 1420.*

**Course Offerings**

Courses are two or three semester hours of academic credit. Students typically take five courses per semester. Fall semester courses typically include the following:

- Chinese Society and Chinese Law*
- Chinese Constitutional Law*
- Chinese Civil Law*
- Chinese Trade Law*
- Chinese Economic and Tax Law*

*"I must admit that I decided to study at Tsinghua as a bit of a lark, but it turns out to be one of the best decisions I've made in my life. I'm having an absolutely terrific time and I am learning a lot both inside and outside of class.*

—Peter Fox, 2005