

Visa and Entry Process for Exchange Students

Steps to be completed in your home country

Applying for your Visa (done in your home country)

Before you arrive to PKU Shenzhen, you need to apply for a visa from your home country. As short-term students you will apply for an X2 visa. To apply for a visa, you need to apply through the local Chinese Consulate in your country. The school has provided you with the original copy of your admission notification and your JW202 which is required to apply for an X2 visa.

Make sure to bring your admission notification with you to China, be sure that the original is given back to you before submitting the final application materials to the Chinese Embassy/Consulate. For people holding multiple passports, make sure you use the same passport to obtain the visa that you have used to register in our online system.

The visa application form can be downloaded from the Chinese Consulate's website in your home country. Exchange students staying for one year will apply for an X1 visa and are required to complete the resident permit procedure within 30 days of arrival. Exchange students staying under 180 days will need to apply for additional X2 visa in Shenzhen after you arrival if you wish to go out of mainland China during your study.

Please keep in mind that regulations often vary by country, and your country may require additional forms and steps. Some countries may require a health exam and blood tests; please check well in advance what the requirements and procedures are for your country. If you encounter any difficulties in your visa application, please contact your exchange coordinator at PHBS.

Steps to be completed in China

Entering China

After your arrival in Shenzhen you will need to complete a registration with the local police within 24 hours. This registration can now be done using WeChat on your phone. You will require the QR code outside the door of your dormitory, your passport and headshot of yourself. Students living off campus will also need to be sure to complete this registration.

X2 visas are issued as a single entry visa valid for the length of time you will be studying. **Visiting Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan is considered to be leaving Mainland China.** Many of our students find this extremely inconvenient as Shenzhen is located adjacent to Hong Kong. Shenzhen Public Security Bureau (PSB) allows you to apply for additional X2 visa to exit and enter mainland China, you will be granted 0-2 entries each time you apply and the result the application will be up to the police discretion.

Please be noticed that we cannot guarantee that your additional entry X2 application will be accepted by the Shenzhen Public Security Bureau (PSB), as the final decision is up to them. Additionally, the cost

of completing all of the procedures for you amounts from 200 to 1000 RMB subject to the terms they grant you and country you are from (to be paid by the student). The total process takes approximately 7 work days. During this time you will intermittently be without your passport. You will have a receipt that served as a temporally passport and you cannot go out of mainland China during this period of time, should you wish to travel within mainland China, please tell the police in charge to give you an extra stamp on your receipt for traveling within mainland China without your passport.

Applying for your extra entry X2 visa (in China together with PHBS)

1. Register with the local police station.

Students must complete the local police registration using the WeChat link provided after they arrive. Students will need a passport style photo on their phone.

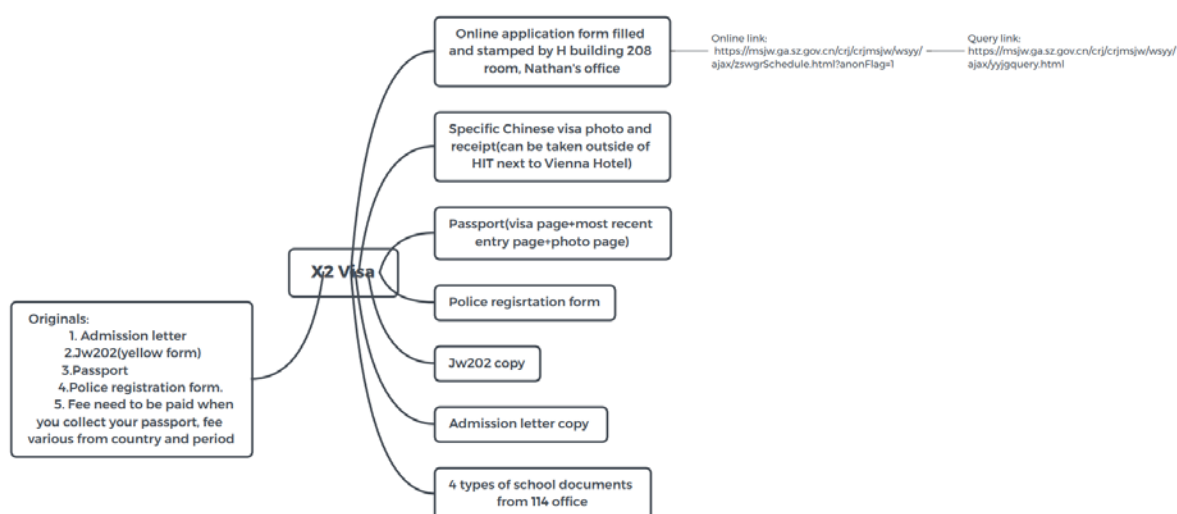
2. Take an official ID photo with an authorized receipt.

The school will provide instructions to you for obtaining the official visa ID picture. The cost (roughly 40 RMB) is to be covered by the student. This receipt is valid for one year and will be used to apply for your residence permit.

3. Submit application for additional X2 visa.

<https://msjw.ga.sz.gov.cn/crj/crjmsjw/wsyy/ajax/zswgrSchedule.html?anonFlag=1>

<https://msjw.ga.sz.gov.cn/crj/crjmsjw/wsyy/ajax/yvigquery.html>



Timeline table procedures in China (assisted by PHBS staff)

Procedure	Time	Documents Needed	Cost
Registration with the local police station	On your arrival (within 24 hours), done on WeChat	One passport photo-digital, passport	Free
Official Visa Photo ID	Within the first week		40 RMB
Prep and collect visa documents	Tell officer in PHBS if you wish to apply for additional X2 by the assigned date.	Additional email will be sent after your arrival	
Additional X2 Application Submission	First make appointment online 1 week ahead of time. Go on the appointment date, retrieve your Visa and passport in 7 work days after the date of submission(check your receipt for the exact collection date)	See above picture	200-1000RMB (Wechat pay/union pay)

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