PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

- Complete Years 1 to 3 as outlined by the Renmin University of China course matrix.
- Excellent English communications skills to achieve the required 550 on the TOEFL/80 iBT/6.5 IELTS.

ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

**Fall Semester** (12 credit hours of Public Administration courses as assigned by FSU's School of Public Administration & Policy)

- **PAD 3003 (3)** Public Administration in American Society
- **PAD 4603 (3)** Administrative Law
- **PAD 4936 (3)** Comparative and International Pub. Admin.
- Any one of electives listed below, as assigned by FSU
- **PAD 4803 (3)** Local Government Administration
- **PAD 4223 (3)** Budgets and Finance in Managing Public Affairs
- **PAD 4374 (3)** Introduction to Terrorism: Preparedness & Response
- **PAD 4391 (3)** Foundations in Emergency Management
- **PAD 4393 (3)** Emergency Management Programs, Planning & Policy
- **PAD 4833 (3)** International & Comparative Disaster Management
- **PAD 4414 (3)** American Public Service

**Spring Semester** (12 credit hours of Public Administration courses)

- **PAD 5106 (3)** Public Organizations
- **PAD 5700 (3)** Research Design in Public Administration
- **PAD 5050 (3)** The Profession of Public Administration
- **PAD 5035 (3)** Policy Development and Administration

To find out more about the Special Academic Program in Public Administration or for assistance with the application process, please contact:

Qiulin Mai  
School of Public Administration and Policy  
Renmin University of China  
59 Zhongguancun Avenue  
Beijing, 100872, P.R. China

Telephone: 010-82502103  
Email: maiqiulin@mparuc.edu.cn

For information on the FSU Askew School of Public Administration and Policy please go to  
http://askew.fsu.edu/

For more information on Special Academic Programs, please visit:  
http://global.fsu.edu/sap/prgms/publicAdmin.htm
OVERVIEW

The Florida State University (FSU) Askew School of Public Administration & Policy is offering a 24-credit Special Academic Program for rising senior students at Renmin University of China (RUC). This unique program provides highly motivated and academically inclined students with the opportunity to complete their Bachelor degree from RUC through successful participation in a two-semester program at FSU.

The program integrates students academically, socially and culturally into university life at an outstanding research institution and helps prepare them for graduate study in the U.S. Students take a prescribed course of study during both semesters by enrolling in eight courses in the Public Administration Program. These courses have been identified as meeting the requirements needed for students to complete their Bachelor degree from RUC.

Program Dates:
August 2016 – May 2017

Program Fee:
$27,500

Application Deadline:
January 4, 2016

MS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Students that earn a 3.0 grade point average (B or better) during the 2 semesters at FSU and receive GRE scores in the 18th percentile in verbal and 75th percentile in quantitative are encouraged to apply to FSU’s Master of Science in Public Administration degree program. Interested students will take the GRE and apply during spring 2017 to begin study in summer 2017, with graduation expected spring 2018.

Students must successfully complete the 12 hours of graduate courses assigned during the Spring semester of the Special Academic Program in order to complete the Master degree in three additional semesters at FSU. Students are also required to complete a graduate internship unless they obtain a waiver. Students who do not qualify for an internship waiver will need complete an internship, which may require an additional semester at FSU.

BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS

- Immersion in English-language and American culture, while earning credit at a highly ranked US university.
- Study in classes with domestic and international students.
- Full integration in the academic and social life of the academic department.
- Work closely with FSU’s high caliber faculty, often in small groups settings or on an optional individualized research project.
- The opportunity to transfer up to 12 graduate credit hours from the first year into the MPA program if they meet admission requirements.
- Dedicated academic and non-academic support from staff at the Center for Global Engagement to ensure a smooth transition to living and studying in the USA.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

A team of staff at the Center for Global Engagement (CGE) at FSU provide academic and non-academic support for students throughout the duration of the program.

Staff members contact students admitted to the program to provide them with information about FSU, as well as to send all of the necessary immigration documents to apply for a visa. The CGE arranges housing and airport pick-ups and provides a Peer Mentor to help ensure that students are integrated into the FSU community.

In addition, the CGE provides academic support for students during the program, including course scheduling, advising, class registration, online learning and library access, and graduate school admissions. The CGE support staff will also meet with participants regularly about academic matters and hold weekly office hours.

ELIGIBILITY & APPLICATION PROCESS

Strong applicants will have an 80 on the IBT, 550 paper-based TOEFL Test or a 6.5 on the IELTS, have a grade point average of 3.0 or equivalent, and have completed at least 3 years at their home institution. Students should submit the completed Florida State University non-degree student application form, copies of the undergraduate transcripts, and TOEFL score to their department’s Faculty Contact early to avoid missing the January 4 deadline. Applications received after this date will be considered on a space available basis. The final admission decisions will be made by the FSU faculty in the Department of Public Administration.

PROGRAM FEE $27,500 INCLUDES:

- 24-credits in Department of Public Administration
- Ongoing support from CGE staff and peer mentors
- Room and board at FSU for fall and spring
- FSU ID Card & transcript (upon Program completion)
- Group pick up at Tallahassee Airport

In addition to program fees students pay for the following:

- SEVIS fee and visa application fee
- Roundtrip airfare to Tallahassee
- Medical insurance meeting FSU requirements
- Textbooks
- Personal costs and food during break periods

ACCOMMODATION AND DINING

Students live in the SouthGate Campus Centre which is conveniently located adjacent the Florida State University campus. The rooms are double occupancy and each student has a bed, wardrobe and desk. Wholesome meals are provided in the SouthGate Dining Hall. Mealtime offer excellent variety and choice of food and opportunities for social interaction with domestic and international students. http://southgateattallahssee.com/