



UTS

# GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS







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## Introducing University of Technology Sarawak

# QUALITY EDUCATION WITHIN YOUR REACH

University of Technology Sarawak (UTS) was established with the vision of providing a world-class institution of higher learning founded on science & technology, outstanding yet affordable. UTS has been one of the fastest growing universities in Malaysia since its inception.

Located strategically at the centre of Sarawak, in the town of Sibu, it is one of Malaysia's most affordable cities. You can live in the area's bustling urban culture without the stress of expensive cities, offering a perfect study environment.



# WORLD CLASS FACILITIES

UTS has the state-of-art green campus to facilitate conducive teaching and enhance learning and research activities.

It is the first university in Malaysia to achieve the highest rating (Platinum) for the Green Building Index (GBI) award.



# EDUCATION FROM THE REAL WORLD

In UTS, education focuses on the real world. With the University's strong industry partnerships and linkages, you get first hand training and industrial exposure.

UTS offers a wide range of industry exposure programmes where you get to practically implement the knowledge that you learnt previously to solve all challenges.





## GETTING READY FOR YOUR FUTURE

UTS emphasises on both theory and hands-on learning.

UTS gives you an intensive and pragmatically challenged way of learning, preparing you with the right knowledge and skills needed in today's world.



## UNIQUE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Located in the state that is made up of 27 distinct ethnic groups speaking more than 40 different languages and dialects, you get to meet new friends that are of multi-cultural, multi-racial, multi-lingual and multi-religious background.

The diversity of the student population provides a rich and teeming campus life-style that is unique to the University.

## GETTING TO UTS

WE ARE HERE



# UTS



STADIUM TUN ZAIDI

UTS campus is about 7km from town centre. Transportation is not a problem in Sibu as you can get around by public buses or hail a taxi or rent a car. Public buses (Sungai Merah Bus/Teku Road Bus) are available between 6am to 6pm and a bus stop is located just outside the campus.



FROM SIBU TOWN / AIRPORT

JALAN TEKU



WOODLANDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



KOLEJ LAILA TAIB



JALAN WAWASAN



SMK AGAMA SIBU



JALAN TENG CHIN HUA



PETRONAS



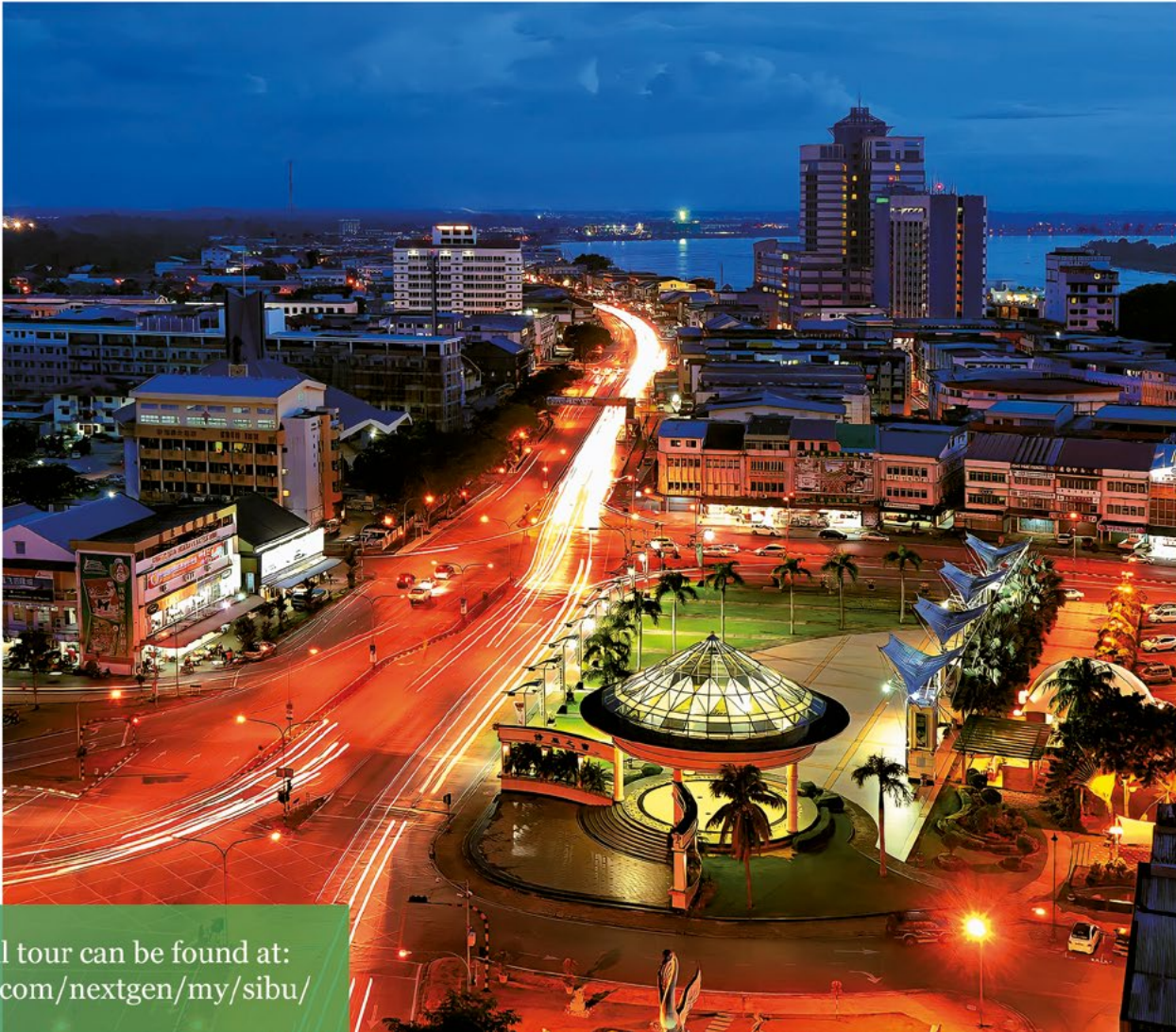
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## DISCOVER SIBU

Sibu, located in the heart of Borneo Sarawak, is a naturally preferred destination in the central region. Home to the rich culture, Sibu celebrates the annual Borneo Cultural Festival and hosts several other local festivals. Sibu may not have the glitz and glamour of some of Malaysia's other capital cities, but the amazing food, the festivals, the nature, and most of all the friendly people are what make Sibu worthwhile.



Sibu and UTS virtual tour can be found at:  
<https://panomatics.com/nextgen/my/sibu/>

## STUDENT LIFE

Clubs make up an integral part of students' university experience. It is one of the fastest ways to get involved, meet new people and basically practise your leadership skills. UTS clubs range from areas like musical, spiritual, sports and cultural to public speaking and entrepreneurial.

For the convenience of the students, UTS sets up the UTS Coop Shop that displays a concept of convenience store.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

The University organises or participates in some annual events such as UTS Sports Day, Motivation Camp, Health Run, Majlis Sukan IPTS Malaysia (MASISWA)-Private Institutions' Sports Event, Borneo Cultural Festival, etc.

You are also often given a chance to be involved in volunteering work, having the opportunity to serve in the community.





## JOIN THE CLUB

Toastmasters Club  
 Business Entrepreneurship Society Club  
 Badminton Club  
 Basketball Club  
 Futsal & Football Club  
 Netball Club  
 Volleyball Club  
 Table Tennis Club  
 Dance Club  
 Music Club  
 Indoor Games Club  
 Photography & Videography Club  
 Green Club  
 Campus Fellowship Club  
 LIFE (Bible Study)  
 Mandarin Club  
 Junior Chamber International (JCI)  
 Taekwondo Club  
 Leo Club  
 Computing Club  
 Buddhist Club  
 Wushu Club  
 Frisbee Club  
 Youth Growth Club  
 Esports Club  
 Nerf Club  
 Persatuan Mahasiswa Islam  
 (Muslim Students Association)  
 Traditional Dance Club  
 Unitech Club



## WHERE TO LIVE

The University offers on-campus hostels that are located just behind campus. The hostels are guarded by wardens and the prices start from RM1000-RM2500 per semester, furnished with basic amenities. For private rental accommodation assistance and resources, you can seek guidance from UTS Centre for International Relations.





## ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

All teaching at UTS is carried out in English (with the exception of some language-specific teaching) so we must be convinced that you have sufficient fluency in written and spoken English to cope with your course from the start.

Below is the list of acceptable English qualifications:

ENGLISH COMPETENCY	TYPES OF EXAMINATION
International English Language Testing System (IELTS)	IELTS
Test of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL)	TOEFL iBT
	TOEFL Essentials (Online)
Pearson Test of English (PTE)	PTE Academic/ PTE Academic (Online)
Cambridge English Qualifications and Tests	B1 Preliminary, B2 First, C1 Advanced, C2 Proficiency
	Linguaskill Online
	Occupational English Test (OET)(Conventional/Online)
Malaysian University English Test (MUET)	MUET

Note : Exemption is given to those whose previous school/institution uses English as the only medium of instruction. The minimum grades for each course can be requested from UTS Centre for International Relations.

# ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You must have certain qualifications depending on your country or educational system in order to get a place in UTS. As a guide to the minimum academic entry requirements, please see the following:

COUNTRY	REQUIREMENT	ENTRY LEVEL
Bangladesh	Secondary School Certificate (SSC)/Dhakil (from Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board)/Secondary School Certificate (Vocational)	Foundation
	Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)/Intermediate Certificate/Alim (from Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board)	Bachelor Degree
Brunei Darussalam	Cambridge GCE O Level	Foundation
	Cambridge GCE A Level	Bachelor Degree
	Matriculation	
	Sijil Tinggi Pelajaran Agama (STPU)	
	BDTVEC National Diploma	
	BDTVEC Higher National Diploma	
Cambodia	Diploma of Upper Secondary Education (Grade 12)	Bachelor Degree
China	Senior Secondary School Graduation Certificate/Graduation Certificate from a Vocational/Technical Secondary School (Zhixiao/Zhigao) or a Skilled Worker School (Jixiao)	Bachelor Degree
Indonesia	Ijazah Sekolah Menengah Umum (SMU) 3	Foundation (for average grade 55-65) / Bachelor Degree (for average grade 66-100)
	Ijazah Sekolah Menengah Atas (SMA)	
	Ijazah Sekolah Menengah Kejuruan (SMK)	
	Ijazah Madrasah Aliyah	
	Ijazah Pendidikan Kesetaraan Program Paket C (Certificate Equivalency Education Programme Package C)	

Laos	Baccalauréat (Upper Secondary School Diploma)	Bachelor Degree
Pakistan	Secondary School Certificate (SSC)/Matriculation	Foundation
	Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC)/Intermediate [also known as: Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)]	Bachelor Degree
Sri Lanka	Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level)	Foundation
	Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)	Bachelor Degree
Vietnam	Bằng Tốt Nghiệp Trung Học Phổ Thông (Upper Secondary School Graduation Diploma)	Bachelor Degree

If you are unsure, or if your qualification or country is not listed, please contact us for specific information. The pre-requisite subjects for each course can be requested from UTS Centre for International Relations.



## Programmes & Fees

### WHAT UTS OFFERS

You can select the course that fits your career aspirations given that you achieve the required score, meet the pre-requisite studies, and satisfy the English language requirements.

The course details are paged on our website:  
<https://www.uts.edu.my/school/>

Students from outside Malaysia will be classed as international students, and charged tuition fees at the overseas rate.

FOUNDATION & UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES	DURATION (Year)	FEES PER YEAR* (RM)
Foundation in Arts	1	13,000.00
Foundation in Science	1	13,000.00
Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Hons)	4	22,830.00
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (Hons)	4	23,475.00
Bachelor of Electrical Engineering (Hons)	4	23,210.00
Bachelor of Food Technology (Hons)	4	19,830.00
Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons)	3	21,100.00
Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours)	3	19,980.00
Bachelor of Technology Management (Honours)	3	21,160.00
Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Property and Construction Management	3.5	19,589.00

Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Marketing	3	21,227.00
Bachelor of Quantity Surveying (Hons)	3.5	20,400.00
Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Architecture	3	28,222.00
Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Interior Design	3.5	24,095.00
Bachelor of Computer Science (Hons)	3.5	19,743.00
Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Creative Digital Media	3.5	24,095.00
Bachelor of Arts in Industrial Design (Honours)	3	24,564.00

\*Actual fees per year will be based on credits taken by students. Figures shown are only estimation.

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES	DURATION (Year)	TOTAL FEES* (RM)
Master of Business Administration	1	28,500.00
Master of Science in Business Management	2	12,800.00
Master of Project Management	1.5	28,500.00
Master of Engineering	2	14,800.00
Master of Science in Applied Sciences	2	14,800.00
Master of Architecture	2	42,610.00
Master in Computing	2	14,800.00
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Engineering	3	25,250.00
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Business Management	3	21,250.00
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Computing	3	25,250.00
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Applied Sciences	3	25,250.00

\*Figures shown are based on the minimum duration of study.



We estimate living costs in UTS to be around **RM21,600** each academic year. You will also need to budget for flights home, as well as any visa required. These are the estimated on-campus basic living expenses per month:



### ACCOMMODATION

**RM500**

+



### FOOD

**RM1000**

+



### OTHER EXPENSES

e.g. transportation

**RM300**

**RM1800**

## VISA INFORMATION

UTS provides visa and immigration information to new students. This includes how to obtain a visa to study, information about your status, your legal obligations etc.

## Application

## WHEN TO APPLY

UTS has 2 main intakes per year. Applications to be submitted at least 3 months before intake starts.

- ◆ FOUNDATION INTAKE  
June and October
- ◆ UNDERGRADUATE INTAKE  
February and September
- ◆ POSTGRADUATE INTAKE  
February and September (by coursework)  
March, June, September and December (by research)





## HOW TO APPLY



### Ready the documents

What you will need:

- Previous academic transcripts/results
- English proficiency test results (e.g. IELTS)
- Passport size photos with white background (35mm×45mm)
  - Copy of passport with minimum 1 year validity (all pages)
  - Course syllabus (if request for credit transfer)

\* All documents that are not in English must be translated by the Notary.

Additional documents may be requested at time of application



### Scan and email the completed application

Check all documents before submission.  
Email the completed application form and the required documents to  
[cir@uts.edu.my](mailto:cir@uts.edu.my)



### Download and complete the application form

Download the application form at [cir.uts.edu.my](http://cir.uts.edu.my) or contact us for the form. Applications for Postgraduate programmes can only be done online via <http://oculus.uts.edu.my/apply/login.php>.



### Receive your offer letter via email

UTS Centre for International Relations will notify and email the applicant the admission decision.

## ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER



### Complete the offer pack

- Acceptance Letter
- Health Declaration
- Medical Examination Form
- Refund Policy Form
- Personal Financial Information Form
- Airport Pick-up Form
- Family Information Form
- International Student Handbook Acknowledgement Receipt



### Email the completed documents

Check all documents before submission. Email the completed offer pack, payment receipt, and relevant documents to [cir@uts.edu.my](mailto:cir@uts.edu.my)



### Make payment

Please make all the necessary payment as indicated in the offer letter in Malaysian currency. Any fees discrepancies (e.g. bank charges, loss in foreign exchange) from the payment made in currencies other than Ringgit Malaysia are to be borne by the students. All payment must be made payable to EDUSAR RESOURCES SDN BHD via telegraphic transfer. Payment must not be made to a third party be it UTS agent, representative or staff.



## GETTING STUDENT VISA

Sarawak has different immigration policies that need to be complied with on top of the Malaysian immigration policies.

### 1 VISA APPLICATION

A. Initiate a visa application online with Education Malaysia Global Services (EMGS) by registering at <https://visa.educationmalaysia.gov.my>.

B. Provide information as accurately as possible according to your offer letter and passport details. Ensure that all documents are in order as this will affect your visa approval. Basic documents required:

- University offer letter
- Pre-arrival medical report (must be done at clinic that produces English reports)  
Note : If you are coming from a country which is considered to be at a high risk of yellow fever, you will be asked to provide your yellow fever vaccination booklet/card before you can clear Immigration at the point of entry.
- Passport pages (all pages)
- Health Declaration Form
- Academic transcripts and certificates
- Passport size photo with WHITE background (35mm×45mm)
- English proficiency result

C. Make an initial payment for visa processing. Any unutilised amount will be refunded by the EMGS.

### 2 VISA APPROVAL

Once the visa application is approved by the Sarawak State Immigration Department, you can download the electronic Visa Approval Letter (VAL) via the EMGS account. If your visa application is rejected, you will be notified in writing.

### 3 SINGLE ENTRY VISA (SEV)

Use the VAL to obtain the Single Entry Visa at the designated Malaysian Embassy.

### 4 TRAVEL TO MALAYSIA

Arrange to travel to Malaysia once received the SEV. You will need to bring along the hardcopy of VAL for your immigration clearance upon arrival in Malaysia.

### 5 STUDENT PASS ENDORSEMENT

Do the post-arrival medical screening within 7 days of your arrival date for the issuance of Student Pass.

*Please note that the procedures are subject to change by the Malaysia Immigration Department without prior notice. You are advised to check with UTS for the latest update.*



Please contact UTS Centre for International Relations should you need any assistance throughout your planning.

## Pre-departure Checklist ✓

- ☐ Check the date of Registration Day
- ☐ Submit the Airport Pick-up Form
- ☐ Submit the Hostel Application Form
- ☐ Confirm all travel arrangements
- ☐ Ready all travelling documents (e.g. visa, passport )
- ☐ Inform UTS on the confirmed date & flight of arrival
- ☐ Bring along all original forms/documents/certificates/results
- ☐ Ensure to bring some Malaysian currency and activate your ATM card for overseas withdrawal
- ☐ Save the contact number of UTS contact person and the address of the University

## Direct Flight to Sibü

### AirAsia

- ✓ Kuala Lumpur
- ✓ Johor Bahru
- ✓ Kota Kinabalu
- ✓ Kuching
- ✓ Singapore

### Malaysia Airlines

- ✓ Kuala Lumpur
- ✓ Miri
- ✓ Kota Kinabalu
- ✓ Bintulu







## APPLICATION SUMMARY

01

APPLY  
FOR  
ADMISSION

02

RECEIVE  
OFFER  
LETTER

03

COMPLETE  
THE OFFER  
PACK

04

MAKE  
PAYMENT

05

APPLY FOR  
STUDENT  
VISA  
VIA EMGS

06

RECEIVE  
VISA  
APPROVAL  
LETTER

07

APPLY FOR  
SINGLE  
ENTRY VISA

08

PLAN THE  
TRIP TO  
SIBU



## Students' Testimonials



**Lim Ren Yi**

*Bachelor of Quantity Surveying (Hons)*

The main reason I chose to study in UTS is because of its reasonable tuition fees. The learning experience provided to me has prepared me well for my future career. To be able to study in UTS is really an amazing experience. Joining the clubs here brought me a lot of new friends. All of them made me feel at ease in this unfamiliar place. The living expenses here are also not that high. I am really grateful to be here and never regret coming to UTS.



**Adrian Salalu**

*Bachelor of Food Technology (Hons)*

I am an exchange student from Universiti Brunei Darussalam. Before I experienced studying there, I had expected studying in Malaysia to be challenging in terms of more active participation in class. However, to my surprise, although it was more challenging than I thought, it was also fun and interesting. I gained confidence through my participation in class and actively sought out my lecturers and coursemates on study matters which helped me gain further understanding on the subject.



**Ibnu Syaughhi**  
*Bachelor of Quantity Surveying (Hons)*

UTS has adequate facilities and the environment here is very nice, fresh air, a calm and clean environment is perfect for students who want to continue their goals at UTS. I hope this will be an adventure for me and I am very grateful to be able to continue my studies at UTS.



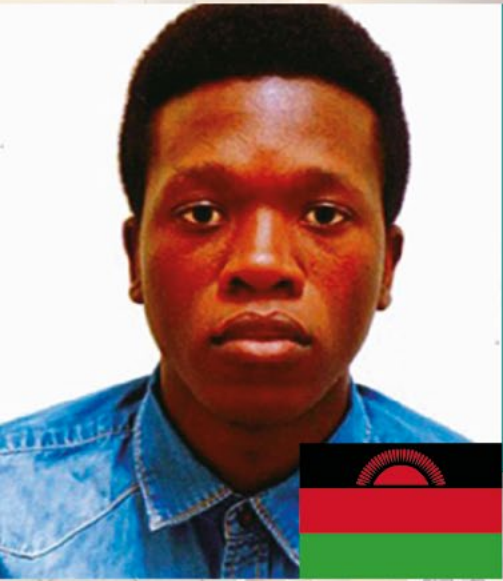
**Liu Xuying**  
*Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours)*

I am very happy to come to study in UTS. I come to a new environment to experience different culture and educational ideas so that I can understand the outside world further. In the process of learning, the lecturers' careful explanation and students' best efforts to help, let me feel at ease. I learn how to communicate better and solve problem more independently.





## Students' Testimonials



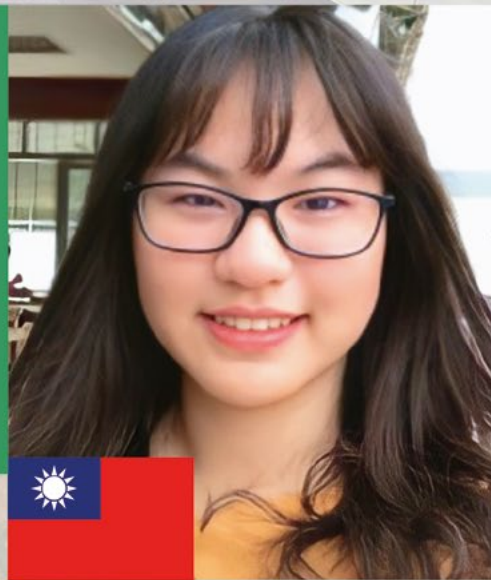
**Dumisani Bashukene Ziyaya Chatata**  
*Foundation in Science*

I fell in love with this school's ability to stand out from the rest the first minute I saw it. Thus far I can already tell that I am going to learn a lot from the amazing lecturers I have, and of course my fellow coursemates as well. UTS has exceeded all my expectations and I am proud to call myself a UTS student.



**Tsai Chi An**  
*Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Marketing*

I am an exchange student from Chang Jung Christian University, Taiwan. To be honest, when I was attending the first class, it was difficult because of the different language and accent. However, people here are easy-going and very friendly. If you want to escape from the hectic city you will enjoy Sibiu.



## INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

(updated 2022)





## Australia

- Murdoch University

## Brunei

- Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD)
- Universiti Teknologi Brunei (UTB)

## China

- Hefei Institute for Public Safety Research, Tsinghua University
- Confucius Institute Headquarters of China
- Hunan Modern Logistics College
- Guangdong AIB Polytechnic (GDAIB)
- Kunming University of Science & Technology (KUST)
- North China University of Water Resources & Electric Power (NCWU)
- Wuyi University (WYU)
- Yunnan Agricultural University
- Ningde Normal University
- Yunnan University of Finance & Economics
- Zhejiang Yuexiu University
- Qingdao Hengxing University of Science & Technology

## Estonia

- Tallinn University

## Indonesia

- Politeknik Negeri Pontianak (POLNEP)
- Universitas Tanjungpura (UNTAN)
- University Pendidikan Nasional
- Universitas Bung Hatta (UBH)

## Korea

- Pai Chai University (PCU)

## Pakistan

- University of Sialkot

## Sweden

- Malmö University

## Taiwan

- Chang Jung Christian University (CJCU)
- Feng Chia University (FCU)
- National Kaohsiung University of Science & Technology (NKUST)
- University of Taipei (UT)
- National Chin-Yi University of Technology (NCUT)

## Turkey

- Ondokus Mayıs University

## United Kingdom

- University of Birmingham (UoB)
- University of Essex

## United States of America

- Cornell University







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