



Master of Chinese Law

School of Law

About Law School



Founded in 1950 and based in Beijing, Renmin University of China (RUC) remains best known for excellence in the humanities and social sciences. RUC Law School stands as one of Renmin's most acclaimed schools. The current Dean of the Law School is Professor Han Dayuan and the Honorary Dean is Professor Zeng Xianyi.

After its founding in 1950, RUC Law School became the first institution of higher legal education in the People's Republic of China and, as such, is dubbed by many as the "cradle" nurturing China's most outstanding jurists. Leading the Law School's list of many honors is the 1998 National May First Labor Merit Award, which was the first such award granted by the Ministry of Education to an

institution of higher learning.

RUC Law School inherited the vaunted tradition of the former Chaoyang University when the two schools merged shortly after the founding of the PRC. Established in 1912, Chaoyang University became so synonymous with legal practice in China that the saying went: "no Chaoyang, no courts".

Chaoyang University's legacy of producing nationally recognized jurists endures in the RUC Law School of today where students and faculty continue to lead the development of China's legal system. Since 1950, more than 20,000 students have graduated from RUC Law School, while more than 300,000 jurists have received training from the Law School as continuing education students, judges, procurators, lawyers, university faculty members, and civil servants. A significant number of alumni have become leaders in advancing China's rule of law as government officials, judges, academics, public interest and corporate lawyers.

At present, RUC Law School educates more than 3,000 students annually with graduate students accounting for approximately 80% of the student body. The Law School confers undergraduate (LL.B.) and graduate degrees (LL.D. and LL.M.) in all secondary disciplines of law. RUC Law School also offers a Bachelor's Degree in Law with a concentration in Intellectual Property Rights. The Law School established the nation's first post-doctoral research center covering all doctoral subject areas.

RUC Law School's 43 research institutes carry-out numerous projects of national—and international—importance. These research institutes include two Ministry of Education sponsored humanities and social science research centers, the Research Center for Criminal



Jurisprudence, the Research Center of Civil & Commercial Jurisprudence, and the RUC Center for Disabled Person's Law & Legal Services. RUC Law School's expansive library houses more than 300,000 volumes, including over 50,000 foreign language sources. There are over 1,300 Chinese and 3,000 foreign law journals available to students, faculty and visiting scholars. RUC Law School edits and publishes the nation's leading law journal, the 'Jurists' Review', as well as the 'RUC Law Review' and the 'Chaoyang Law Review'. The Law School also publishes an internationally distributed English law journal, 'Frontiers of Law in China', which connects an English readership with the swiftly shifting trends that define China's contemporary legal landscape. In efforts to make our scholarship more readily available to an increasingly internet-based society, the Law School runs a nationally recognized website entitled 'China Civil & Commercial Law'.

Endowed with many of legal academia's leading minds, RUC Law School faculty members include not only influential senior jurists recognized at home and abroad, but also a host of younger academics actively advancing the boundaries of legal research and pedagogy. As part of the Law School's ongoing commitment to serving the public good, our professors have advised the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the National People's Congress Standing Committee. Scores of other faculty members lead students in legislative redrafting and public interest work.

Over the past six decades, RUC Law School has made lasting contributions to the development of legal education and rule of law in China. RUC Law School prepares students not only to master the minutiae of the law, but also to lead as global citizens ready and able to tackle some of the world's most challenging problems. With an ethos of service and academic rigor underpinning the work of our dedicated administration, faculty, staff and student body, RUC Law School advances as a first-class legal center gaining recognition around the globe.



About the program

The study period of this Project is preliminarily set at two years with four semesters including a compulsory 30 credits.

Cultivation proposal 2010

I. Program name: Chinese Law; Period of Study: 2 years

The students in this program will be expected to spend the entire first year in china to complete most of academic courses, while the second year will be open for internship experience (either in china or other countries).

II. Research directions

Chinese Legal Theory, Chinese Civil and Commercial Jurisprudence, Chinese Constitution and Administrative Jurisprudence, International Jurisprudence

III. Course schedule and credit requirements

Two-year study period with 30 credits in 5 links and a master dissertation, consisting of 6 compulsory courses (18 credits), 5 optional courses (10 credits) and 4 weeks of probation (2 credits).

1. Compulsory courses (6 courses, totally 18 credits)

1) Public Courses

[1] Chinese culture (3 credits)

[2] Chinese language (3 credits), three teaching hours per week, which will be taught by International College of Chinese Studies of Renmin University in the first semester, and by the School of Law in the second semester.

2) Specialized Courses

[1] Introduction to Chinese Law (3 credits)

[2] Administrative and Criminal Jurisprudence (substantive law I) (3 credits)





- [3] Civil, Commercial and Economic Jurisprudence (substantive law II) (3 credits)
 - [4] Procedural Jurisprudence (3 credits)
2. Optional Courses (totally 10 credits for five courses chosen from nine courses)
- [1] Property Law (2 credits)
 - [2] Comparative Land Law and Policy Regulation (2 credits)
 - [3] Comparative Commercial Law (2 credits)
 - [4] Labor Law (2 credits)
 - [5] Chinese Intellectual Property Law (2 credits)
 - [6] Chinese Criminal Procedure Law (2 credits)
 - [7] Chinese Economic Jurisprudence (2 credits)
 - [8] Chinese Legislative and Executive Systems (2 credits)
 - [9] Chinese Financial Law (2 credits)

IV. Master Dissertation

After successful completion of all items required in the cultivation plan for their respective programs, the Master's degree postgraduates should, under the supervision of their tutors, write a master dissertation. Only those who have successfully defended their dissertations shall be conferred the master degree.

V. Lawyer probation and social survey (2 credits),

Starting in the third semester with the duration no less than 4 weeks.

Admissions

I. Application process

We strongly suggest you go through our website (<http://english.ruc.edu.cn/en> or <http://iso.ruc.edu.cn>) to read the overall introductions of our Master Programs in English, before you start to apply.

1) Admission decisions are made on the basis of all information provided in the completed application and the qualification interview by telephone (or video). A completed application contains the Application Form (Complete Online Application on the website of the Graduate School, RUC: click "Online Application for Master Programs in English" on <http://pgs.ruc.edu.cn> to register, then print out the completed Application Form.), Statement of purpose, three recommendation letters, an official copy of undergraduate transcript and proof of competence in English (for non-native speakers), Four 2-inch photos, One photocopy of the passport..

2) Special policy: No qualification interview for excellent graduates with bachelor degree from ten specified universities in Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan regions, each of whom should rank within the top twenty in class in their respective universities.

II. Application Fee

Non-refundable application fee: 600 CNY.

Please read the overall English Programs' information on the University Website to find out how to pay the application fee. DO NOT send cash or check inside your application materials.

III. Application Deadline

Applicants need to send all the application materials above to the following address before May 31, 2011.

IV. Visa

Students who are admitted into the Chinese Law Graduate Program will receive the documents necessary for handling visa application for study in China from the International Exchange Office.



Scholarship

This year RUC Law School offers scholarship to participants of the Chinese Law Graduate Program, and about 80% participants will receive scholarship including full and half scholarship.



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