

Dear All,

Welcome to China Center! Here is some useful information about your arrival in Hangzhou.

Visa:

1. If you have not applied for your Chinese visa, please do it ASAP.
2. We will take you to the immigration office to change your visa to Residence Permit when you are here.

Arrival:

1. If you arrive in Hangzhou (HGH), we will try to pick you up at the airport depending on your arrival time. We will make the final arrangement once we have all the itineraries from all the students.
2. If you arrive in Shanghai (PVG), please take the bus to Hangzhou. Upon your arrival, please follow the sign of "Long Distance Bus". It is about 10 minutes walk! inside the terminal then take the elevator downstairs. The bus fare is \$100 CNY. You need to buy the ticket before boarding the bus. The bus takes approximately three hours and is non-stop between the airport and Hangzhou. Hangzhou is the final stop, we will meet you at the bus station. The bus departs at the following times: 8:40 10:00 11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00.

Contact Info:

1. Please have these phone numbers handy in case of emergency. If you are outside China, you need to dial 86 first.

Eoife Huo (Administrator)- 13666608634

Scot Brackenridge (Director)- 13456873251

Maggie Brackenridge (Recruitment Manager)- 13456873252

Office- (0571) 87952051

2. In case you need to take taxi or ask for the direction. Here is the address.

Center Address:

Building 11, Room 303, 38 Zheda Road, Yuquan Campus, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou

杭州市 浙江大学 玉泉校区浙大路 38 号 第十一教学大楼 303 室

Your Dorm Address:

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38 Zheda Road, Yuquan Campus, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou

Phone: +86-571-87951122 X 9 (front desk); +86-571-87951122

浙大路 38 号 浙江大学玉泉校区 竺可桢国际教育大楼 浙大国际教育学院 (西溪路校门进去)

Money:

1. The exchange rate of USD and CNY is 1USD:6.2CNY, meaning \$1 is 6.2 CNY. Here are some examples of living cost.

In city bus fare- 2 CNY

Short trip taxi- 11 ! CNY

Meal at cafeteria- 10 CNY

Soft drink- 3 CNY< br>>

5 bananas- 3 CNY

One load of laundry (wash and dry) 10 CNY

2. You will be getting monthly stipend to cover your dorm cost and meals.

3. I suggest that you to exchange some money before leaving the States in case of emergency when you arrive in China.

Phone:

It is very easy to apply for a SIM card for the cell phone. I strongly encourage you to bring your own cell phone.

Weather:

It is hot and humid in September. You should bring some comfortable cloths. However, it will get cooler and cold in November and December, so you should prepare some warm cloths as well.

Field trip:

We will have one long field trip to Beijing (it is expected to be in the early November). The weather will be cold in Beijing then. Bring Scarf, sweater, gloves, and hat will be a good idea. You can also consider to do some shopping here if you don't want to bring a lot of stuff from the States.

Suggested stuff to bring:

1. Cereal

2. Dental floss

3. Tooth paste

4. Some OTC drugs for cold and pain relieve

5. For women only: get enough supply of Feminine Hygiene Products