

# **Project of Serbian Student Studying at BSU 2024**

## **I. Program Description**

To actively promote the "Enhancement of China-Serbia Relations Positioning" in the fields of sports and education, and to strengthen the sports and cultural exchange between China and Serbia, Beijing Sport University has established a special scholarship since the autumn semester of 2024 to recruit Serbian youth students and sports enthusiasts to Beijing Sport University for academic degree or non-academic degree education.

Academic degree education includes three levels: undergraduate, master's and doctoral. Non-academic degree education includes general visiting student and visiting student for specific sport.

The project application deadline is June 25, 2024.

## **II. Scholarship Overview**

### **1. Tuition and Accommodation Waiver**

All admitted Serbian international students will be fully exempted from tuition fees, dormitory fees (double occupancy), comprehensive medical insurance premiums and physical examination fees. Additionally, a monthly living allowance will be provided to cover daily expenses. Students are responsible for covering their own visa (approximately 500 Yuan).

### **2. Academic Degree Program Applicants**

Applicants who meet the Chinese language proficiency requirements for admission can directly enroll in the academic degree program. Those who do not meet the requirements will be provided with an additional one-year scholarship to study Chinese preparatory courses. After one year, if they meet the Chinese language proficiency requirements for admission, they can begin their academic studies. If not, they may choose to withdraw from the program or continue studying Chinese at their own expense. Once they meet the Chinese language proficiency requirements for

admission, they can begin their academic studies and receive the same scholarship benefits.

### **3. Non-Academic Degree Program Applications**

Non-academic degree program students can participate in Chinese language training courses free of charge during their studies.

### **4. Living Allowance Details**

The specific living allowance standards are as follows:

- Undergraduate students: 2,500 Yuan per month
- Master's students: 3,000 Yuan per month
- Doctoral students: 3,500 Yuan per month
- Non-academic degree students: 2,500 Yuan per month

## **III. Application Requirements**

### **1. Nationality**

Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens holding a valid Serbian passport. If the applicant was previously a Chinese citizen and has since acquired Serbian citizenship, they must have held a valid foreign passport or nationality certificate before April 30, 2020, and have proof of cancellation of Chinese citizenship. Additionally, they must have a record of actual residence in Serbia for at least two years from April 30, 2020, to the time of application (nine months of actual residence abroad in a year can be counted as one year, based on entry and exit stamps).

### **2. Age and Health**

Applicants must generally be 18 years of age or older, are physically and mentally healthy and meet the physical examination requirements for obtaining a visa or residence permit to China.

### **3. Educational Qualifications**

Academic Degree Programs:

- Applicants for undergraduate program must have a high school diploma or above.
- Applicants for master's program must have a bachelor's degree.
- Applicants for doctoral program must have a master's degree.

Non-Academic Degree Programs:

- General visiting students must have completed at least one year of study at a university.
- Visiting students for specific sport could have no prior education requirements.

#### **4. Language Proficiency**

Academic Degree Programs:

- Applicants for undergraduate program are suggested to shall a certificate of HSK4 or above.
- Master program are to shall a certificate of HSK5 or above.
- PhD program shall a certificate of HSK6.

Non-Academic Degree Programs:

- There is no Chinese language proficiency requirement. English requirement is IELTS 5.0 or TOEFL 35-45 or CEFR B2.

### **IV. Study Period and Academic Schedule**

#### **1. Study Period**

**Undergraduate Program:** Duration: 4 years (maximum 6 years)

**Master's Program: Duration:** 3 years (maximum 6 years)

**Doctoral Program: Duration:** 4 years (maximum 6 years)

**Non-Academic degree Program:**

- Duration: Typically have a one-semester study period, which can be extended to one academic year if necessary.
- Minimum course load: 160 credit hours per semester
- Minimum credit requirement: 10 credits

#### **2. Academic Calendar:**

BSU divides every academic year into spring and autumn semesters, each semester has 16-20 weeks, the autumn semester starts in September and ends in January of the following year while the spring semester begins in February and ends in July. There will be a winter and summer vacation every year.

## **V. Program Majors**

### **Undergraduate Program:**

- Physical Education or Sports Training (shall have a specialized sport)
- Wushu and Traditional Chinese Sport
- Strength and Conditioning Training
- Sports Rehabilitation
- Kinesiology
- Management of Sport Economics
- Dance Performance. etc.

### **Master's & Doctoral Program:**

Primarily open to majors in Physical Education and Sports Coaching (shall have a specialized sport)、Traditional Chinese Sport (routine、sanshou、health qigong)、Sport and Exercise Science、Rehabilitation Medicine and Physical Therapy、Sports Medicine、Sport Humanities and Sociology.

### **Non-Academic Degree Programs:**

#### 1. General visiting student

May choose to take any course offered in Chinese from the undergraduate major. BSU will offer English-taught course modules for some majors based on enrollment numbers.

#### 2. Visiting student for specific sport

May choose to train in one or more sports, such as olympic sports, traditional Chinese martial arts, Sanda, fitness qigong, chinese ethnic folk dances, etc. They may also choose non-Olympic sports such as calisthenics.

## **VI. Application Procedure**

### **1. Online Applications**

Applicants should register at the online system (<https://ims.bsu.edu.cn/EEdepot.aspx>) before the deadline fill in the registration information and submit the application materials as required.

### **2. Application Materials**

#### **(1) Academic Credentials**

- For previous degrees, provide official transcripts. Recent graduates may submit a pre-graduation certificate issued by current institution.
- For citizenship verification, provide a copy of your passport information page (valid beyond September 30, 2024).

## **(2) Academic Achievement**

Provide at least one of the following:

- Previous degree transcripts
- Serbian high school graduation exam or university entrance exam scores

## **(3) Language Proficiency**

HSK Level Test certificate or English Proficiency Certificate.

## **(4) Research Plan (Both Chinese and English are acceptable)**

- Master's degree applicants must submit a research plan with a minimum of 800 words.
- PhD applicants must submit a research experience and research plan with a minimum of 1500 words.

## **(5) Recommendation Letters**

Master's and PhD applicants must submit two recommendation letters. The recommenders should be PhD or scholars with the title of Associate Professor or above, or experienced professionals in the relevant field.

## **(6) Criminal Record Clearance Certificate**

Submit an original criminal record clearance certificate.

Notes:

All non-Chinese or English application materials must be accompanied by notarized translations into Chinese or English.

Paper application materials are not required during the application stage.

## **3. Entrance Interview**

Applicants who have passed the materials review will participate in the expert interview (online) in July, 2024. Details about the interview will be sent by email.

## **VII. Accommodation**

BSU provides free double occupancy accommodation in on-campus international student dormitory for Serbian students. The dormitory rooms are approximately 20 square meters in size and have private bathrooms. Each floor of the dormitory building is equipped with a kitchen and laundry room.

## **VIII. Contact**

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## **Attachment**

# **General Information of Beijing Sport University**

BSU was founded in 1953 as the Central Institute of Physical Education, and was renamed the Beijing Institute of Physical Education in 1956 then Beijing Sport University (BSU) in 1993. It is one of the National Key Universities and also a “Project 211” University under direct leadership of the General Administration of Sport of China, and is among the first batch of “Double First-Class” (world-class universities and first-class disciplines) project. It enjoys a high reputation both at home and abroad for its glorious history, profound deposit of culture and solid schooling foundation. Situated on the Xinxu Road, Haidian District of Beijing, BSU covers a total area of 755 thousand square meters, with a total construction area of approximately 450 thousand square meters and nearly 100 indoor and outdoor training grounds. The University now has more than 10,000 students in different classes, including more than 9,000 undergraduates and nearly 3,000 postgraduate students.

The University focuses on postgraduate education on the basis of its undergraduate programs. There are nine discipline categories: education science, law, economics, literature, science, engineering, medicine, management, and art. BSU has been committed to our top mission of cultivating talents and insisting on a global vision, international standards, Chinese characteristics and high-end positioning, and the combination of education, training and scientific research. We embrace the idea of interdisciplinary and internationalized education from a high starting point in cultivating talents. We work to strengthen the deeper integration of sports, education, science, technology and culture in a bid to provide high-quality and new-type sports talents for turning China into a strong country in sports and higher learning and promoting the “Healthy China” campaign.

As one of the major places welcoming foreign visits in Beijing since the founding of the People’s Republic of China, Beijing Sport University serves as an important window for showcasing China’s achievements in sports. So far, the University has established relations with 157 higher education institutions in 52 countries and regions in the world and has trained more than 15,000 foreign students from 106 countries. Among them, Dr. Oleg Matytsin was elected the president of International University Sports Federation in 2015. Former Croatian Prime Minister and President of the Croatian Olympic Committee Zlatko Mateša was awarded a doctoral degree here. The University also awarded honorary doctoral degrees to eight international notables including former IOC President Jacques Rogge. Furthermore, the following figures have accepted the honorary professorship from the University: Thomas Bach, President of the IOC, Gian-Franco Kasper, President of the International Ski Federation, Kate Caithness, President of the World Curling Federation, Ivo Ferriani, President of the International Bobsleigh and Skeleton Federation, Sarah Lewis, Secretary General of the International Ski Federation, Patrick Baumann, FIBA Secretary General, Walter Mengisen, Deputy Director of Swiss Federal Office of Sport and Co-Director of Swiss Federal Institute of Sport, and Thomas Wu, IIHF Vice President. Through its international platform, the University has been integrating high-quality international educational resources and has set up an international cooperation mechanism in cultivating undergraduate and postgraduate students. The University will continue to make progress in cultivating international talents.

