

What role do **YOU** want?

change
maker



D U K E K U N S H A N U N I V E R S I T Y

How
will **YOU**
define
the
future?

60+

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
in undergraduate program



Addressing the challenges of the 21st-century

requires a 21st-century education. With Duke Kunshan's innovative curriculum and integrated, interdisciplinary approach, you will develop a strong knowledge base across multiple disciplines and learn to apply that knowledge in real world, cross-cultural settings. Based in China and with students from around the world, we aim to nurture habits of academic excellence and intercultural exchange essential to global cooperation and our **common humanity**.



Are you a

curious

thinker?

Each student's approach to the world is shaped by their culture and unique experiences. At Duke Kunshan, we embrace this by cultivating informed and engaged citizens who are knowledgeable about each other's backgrounds, and skilled at bridging gaps in cultural understanding. We call this **rooted globalism** and it defines the character of our campus community and the strategy behind our curriculum.

the curriculum: **5** key features



SHARED EXPERIENCE

Our unique Common Core courses bring students from different academic areas together in small class settings, often leading to robust, thought-provoking discussions.

[dukekunshan.edu.cn/
core-components](http://dukekunshan.edu.cn/core-components)

APPLIED KNOWLEDGE

Courses are interrelated and interdisciplinary within and beyond your major. Learn to view complex issues through multiple lenses and devise solutions to real-world problems in student/faculty teams from across the academic spectrum.

4-YEAR SNAPSHOT

YEAR 1

YEAR 2

YEAR 3

YEAR 4

Common Core

Language

Divisional Foundations

Interdisciplinary Course

Disciplinary Course

Signature Work: Experiential Education, Internships, Research

Electives & Pass-Fail Mini Terms

BLOCK SCHEDULE

We divide the conventional semester into two seven-week blocks. In each block, you will complete two to three focused courses. Students take classes four days a week - Monday to Thursday. Our 4+1 academic week offers countless opportunities to apply your newly acquired knowledge out in the world. On Fridays, students are busy with various experiential learning activities, community engagement or faculty-guided research.

4+1

**MONDAY - THURSDAY
ACADEMIC WEEK.
NO FRIDAY CLASSES.**



SIGNATURE WORK

After choosing a topic in the second year, you will work toward a Signature Work project to showcase the knowledge you've accumulated over your four years, drawing on coursework, research, internships, community-based fieldwork, study abroad experience and other activities.



FLEXIBLE PROGRAM

Our program enables you to tailor your learning experience to meet your academic goals. You will select a major by the end of your second year, so take time to explore. Coursework can be complemented by research, internships, co-curricular activities, electives inside and outside your major, and a variety of mini-term courses.

Mini-Term Courses

Electives that typically last one week, these courses let you dive into a new and exciting subject area.

Duke Kunshan Interdisciplinary majors

At Duke Kunshan, majors encompass several disciplinary tracks, allowing students to customize their studies. Students will declare their majors in their second year.

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- Applied Math &
- Computational Science
- Behavioral Science
- Computation & Design
- Cultures and Movements
- Data Science
- Environmental Science
- Ethics and Leadership
- Global China Studies
- Global Cultural Studies
- Global Health
- Institutions and Governance
- Material Sciences
- Media and Arts
- Molecular Bioscience
- Political Economy
- U.S. Studies

DIVISIONS:

- Natural Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Arts & Humanities

"Learning Mandarin has been challenging. But with the support of our incredible professors, complemented by the unique class structure, I've reached milestones very quickly while picking up skills for a lifetime of language learning."

KRISTA MCJARROW-KELLER '22
NEW ZEALAND,

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AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

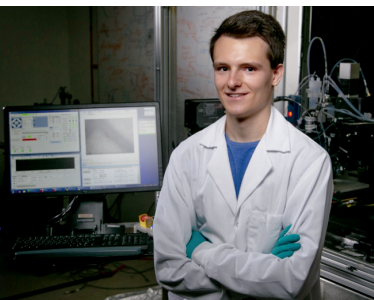
LANGUAGE

All courses are taught in English. Students are not required to know Mandarin Chinese to be admitted, but all students are required to take Mandarin classes based on their level of proficiency.



research

From day one, undergraduate students are encouraged to participate in **advanced academic research**. Advisers



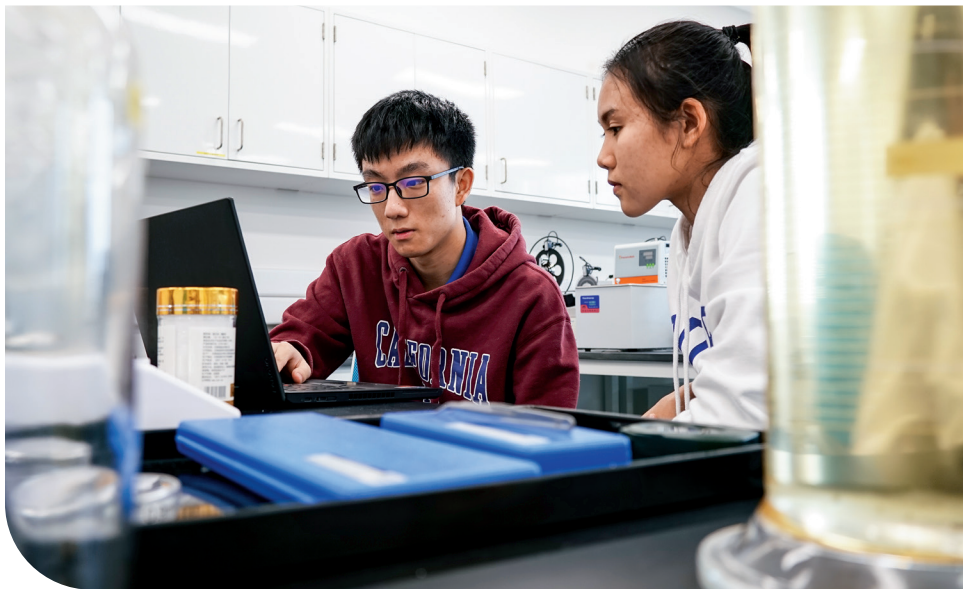
and faculty mentors will pair you with projects that complement your area of interest. Likewise, our faculty are committed to engaging with students in and out of the classroom. Many have expanded their teaching philosophy,

seeking advanced training to accommodate our unique curriculum and global approach to education.

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STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO



"On behalf of the new Youth Leaders in Global Health club, we have connected with local hospitals to use real patient data in our research. Currently, I am conducting research on Vitamin D deficiency and diabetes as a part of our **Collaborative Research Program**, aiming to publish our findings once the study is complete."

EGE DUMAN '22
TURKEY



Are you an

adventure
seeker?

China is a hotbed for research and development in emerging fields such as artificial intelligence, the internet of things and biomedicine. China's relations with the U.S., as well as with other advanced nations, are vital in global economic and political spheres.

So, why wait to see the world? Duke Kunshan is your gateway to Asia. Spending four years here presents a golden opportunity to travel extensively throughout the region. On weekends and holidays, you'll be able to visit fascinating and exotic destinations near and far.



Bali, Indonesia



Duke University

Duke
UNIVERSITY

2 Degrees of Excellence

Accelerate your career with two undergraduate degrees. When you graduate from Duke Kunshan, you receive two degrees – a **Duke University** degree and a **Duke Kunshan University** degree. Our graduates will be highly valued and sought-after by corporations, organizations and top graduate programs worldwide.

STUDY AWAY AT DUKE

A valuable component of our curriculum is the opportunity for students to spend a semester in their junior year at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, where they will have access to a wide range of courses and activities. Students may also opt to attend Duke's summer program.

More about Study Away and its associated costs:
dukekunshan.edu.cn/study-away



Duke University Campus

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Alumni Networks

In addition to joining Duke Kunshan's growing alumni network, our graduates also become members of Duke University's global alumni network, gaining access to valuable services and networking opportunities in one of the most passionate and well-connected alumni networks in the world.

alumni.duke.edu



Duke Kunshan University

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KUNSHAN'S RANK
in green development,
investment potential and
technological innovation among
county-level cities in China.



Suzhou, China

KUNSHAN

Kunshan is a modern metropolis with one of the fastest growing economies in China. With a history of more than 2,000 years, the city is a rich blend of old and new. Kunshan is a 20 minute train ride to both Shanghai and Suzhou, two of China's most vibrant cities.

A photograph of four international students posing on the Great Wall of China. From left to right: a young man with curly brown hair and sunglasses, wearing a blue t-shirt and a backpack; a young man with dark hair, wearing a striped t-shirt; a young woman with blonde braids and sunglasses on her head, wearing a white t-shirt and blue shorts; and a young woman with dark hair, wearing a black t-shirt with 'DISCO' text. They are all smiling and standing on the stone wall. The background shows lush green mountains under a clear blue sky.

30%

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BODY

Left to center
Cullen, Data Science

UNITED STATES

Sinan, Political Economy

PAKISTAN


Adrianna, Media and Arts

UNITED STATES

Momoko, Media and Arts

ZIMBABWE

DKU Quest trip to the Great Wall of China

A photograph of four students standing on the Great Wall of China. From left to right: a woman wearing a colorful patterned headscarf and a grey jacket; a woman wearing a blue bucket hat and glasses; a woman with long dark hair wearing a blue patterned tank top and jeans; and a man wearing a white baseball cap and a blue Adidas t-shirt. They are all smiling. The Great Wall is visible in the background, winding through green hills under a clear blue sky.

"Both the students and faculty are excited about where they come from and, even more, what they are building together."

NOAH PICKUS, PH.D.
DEAN OF UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULAR AFFAIRS

Right to center
Bevan, Undecided
NEW ZEALAND

Matasebiya, Global Health
ETHIOPIA

Galiya, Global Health
KAZAKHSTAN

Hajra, Ethics and Leadership
PAKISTAN



Are you a
community
builder?

Be a part of our story! Our students have a voice; we value their opinions and encourage them to work with faculty and staff to make this a dynamic, inclusive community.

As our campus continues to expand, new students will not only benchmark Duke Kunshan's academic excellence, but they will also **leave a legacy** by establishing everything from clubs and organizations to student leadership.



campus

Duke Kunshan's campus is a spacious, modern setting with traditional Chinese elements. Its many aquatic features symbolize the area's famous water towns. As a **LEED-certified campus**, it is considered a model of sustainable development.



Our campus provides a safe, comfortable living-learning environment that encourages the exchange of ideas in the classroom and beyond. Its exceptional housing and dining facilities are modeled after the world's greatest universities.



Sports and Recreation

The Athletics department strives to strengthen the relationship between education, physical exercise and sport by creating engaging activities that promote healthy lifestyles. Our sports teams compete in regional leagues and tournaments.

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"Every professor I've had has gone above and beyond to help me understand the content in class. The faculty are easily approachable and a seamless part of the community."

SYLVIA LACHER '22
UNITED STATES

CAMPUS FOR THE FUTURE

Phase 2 of Duke Kunshan's campus construction project will provide a modern mix of green space and high-tech facilities. Featuring advanced classrooms and labs, a library, student accommodation, a dynamic sports complex and more, construction is slated for completion in 2022.



student life

A large part of your experience at Duke Kunshan will be about making lifelong friends from around the world. The **Student**



Affairs Office offers programs and services intended to enhance your experience by creating opportunities to explore interests beyond the classroom. **Student clubs and organizations** enable you to pursue personal interests and develop an active, rewarding social life.



"My calendar is always full of interesting events around campus. Thought-provoking talks, bike rides, art workshops - every day at DKU brings something new."

BAILEY ROSE '23, UNITED STATES



Student Resources

With academic support from the **Office of Undergraduate Advising**, career and internship support from our proactive **Career Services** team, and training from the **Language and Culture Center**, students receive the guidance they need to be successful.



"It's important to support and challenge students to be the best version of themselves. We aim to foster a culture where students are encouraged to discover what's important to them and live a life that shows it."

RAPHAEL MOFFETT
DEAN OF STUDENT AFFAIRS



DKU QUEST

DKU Quest offers the opportunity to explore China, taking students on excursions to various destinations across the country. The program aims to provide a unique travel experience for students.

3+ **DKU QUEST OPTIONS**
PER SEMESTER



Being in a culturally diverse classroom is a great gift. In today's society more than ever, we have to be cognizant of many different ideas and understand the importance of listening to others. When you have had opinions for a long time, it can be difficult to change.

At DKU, my opinions have evolved for the better. World problems are only solved by engaging with new ideas. It is great that we are getting an early start on this practice.

**SPENCER REEVES '22
UNITED STATES**



Duke Kunshan's strategic location in Kunshan provides an abundance of opportunity to gain an international perspective and apply my knowledge in different settings.

The innovative liberal arts and sciences program has given me a plethora of opportunities to explore subjects I wouldn't be exposed to otherwise. I believe Duke Kunshan's academic rigor and dynamic learning environment promote intellectual and personal growth among the entire student body.

**LAN TANG '22
CHINA**

**My
choice.**

Scholarships & Financial Aid

- All **applicants** are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships.
- Over **80%** of incoming international students receive scholarships or financial aid.
- To be considered for need-based aid, a **CSS Profile** must be submitted as part of the application.
- **Scholarship and aid amounts vary**, up to and including full tuition.

For information, visit:
dukekunshan.edu.cn/ug-admissions

COSTS (USD)

\$58,085

Tuition and fees

\$1,300

Supplies

\$8,644

Living Expenses

\$68,029

TOTAL

2021-2022 (ESTIMATED)
*TRAVEL COSTS EXCLUDED



key dates

Early August

Applications open on Common App website

Early November

Early Decision application deadline

Early January

Regular Decision application deadline

Please refer to the DKU website for specific dates

ACADEMIC YEAR

The academic year begins in mid-August.
International students end the academic year by early May.

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