



WENZHOU UNIVERSITY

International Students Guide

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BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME



1.1. Visa Application

You may apply for your Chinese visa at the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in your home country. When applying for your visa, please remember to bring your valid passport, the original copy of the university's admission notification and the Visa Application Form for Foreign Students Studying in China (also known as the JW201/JW202 form). Make sure that your letter of admission and JW202 form are returned to you with your passport after obtaining your Chinese visa. You will need these documents to apply for a Residence Permit after you arrive in Wenzhou.

International students who will be studying in China for more than 6 months are required to obtain an 'X1' Visa.

IMPORTANT

- 1) The 'X1' Visa is only valid for 30 days upon your arrival. You must apply for a Residence Permit within these 30 days; you would be otherwise considered staying illegally and heavily fined.
- 2) According to Chinese law and regulations, international students **MUST** register at universities with X1/X2 visa or residence permit issued by the Chinese police stations. Students with other type of visa are **NOT** permitted to register.

Visa application requirements may vary in different countries. Please refer to your local embassy or consulate for more information. To find the location and contacts of the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in your country, please visit the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs at <http://www.fmprc.gov.cn>



'X1' Visa Sample

International Students who will be studying in China for more than 6 months are required to obtain an 'X1' Visa.



'X2' Visa Sample

Students who will be studying in China for less than 6 months should apply for an 'X2' Visa.

Residence Permit Sample

Residence Permit issued by Chinese police stations.



1.2. Housing Arrangement

Students are required to arrive in Wenzhou no later than the day of registration, which is written on your admissions notification. If you do need to arrive early, we suggest you arrive no earlier than 2 weeks before the registration date.

On-campus accommodation is at the International Students Apartment which is located at D Area in Chashan Campus. There is a lobby, a public kitchen, a water dispenser, and other living necessities. You can book the room via E-mail.

- Double room: 4,000 RMB per person per year.
- Triple room: 2,900 RMB per person per year.



1.3 Finances

There are several banks near Wenzhou University where you can set up a bank account after you arrive in Wenzhou. If you are planning to convert foreign currencies into RMB, the banks in Wenzhou accept the foreign currencies such as the Pound Sterling, Hong Kong Dollar, American Dollar, Euro, Japanese Yen, Canadian Dollar, Australian Dollar, etc.

Do make sure that you keep at least 2 photocopies of your important documents. You should consider having your important documents, such as medical prescriptions and marriage certificates (if necessary), translated into Mandarin before leaving your country.

If you are planning to wire-transfer funds/money to your Wenzhou bank account, do prepare some “on-hand” cash to cover the expenses needed for short-term housing, meals, etc. To be on the safe side, we recommend that you carry enough cash to cover your monthly living expenses, as it can take several business days for the money-transfer to be completed.

1.4 What to Bring

Below is the checklist of important documents that you must carry with you.



Valid passport and visa



Admission Letter form
Wenzhou University (original
copy)



Visa Application for Study in
China from (also known as
the JW201/JW202 form)
(original)



2-inch full-faced photos with
white background (at least 2
copies)



Physical examination record
and blood test reports
(original, if available)



Passport, visa marriage,
certificate, and birth
certificates of your family
members (if any)



You may also consider bringing these documents with you if you deem them necessary:



School transcripts



Graduation certificate



Reference/Recommendation letters

1.5 Packing for Your Trip

Travel light. Most daily necessities can be easily purchased at convenience stores, supermarkets and shopping malls in Wenzhou. We recommend that you purchase your daily necessities (such as paper folders, cooking utensils, mirrors, etc.) in Wenzhou after you have settled in, as you will then have a better idea of what you actually need.

If possible, consider packing a towel and a set of sheets from home. You might need them on the day you arrive in Wenzhou.

We strongly suggest you bring along the things that will make you feel at home, such as posters, photos and cultural items from your country. These mementos from home may help make you feel comfortable in Wenzhou and also minimize cultural shocks and homesickness.

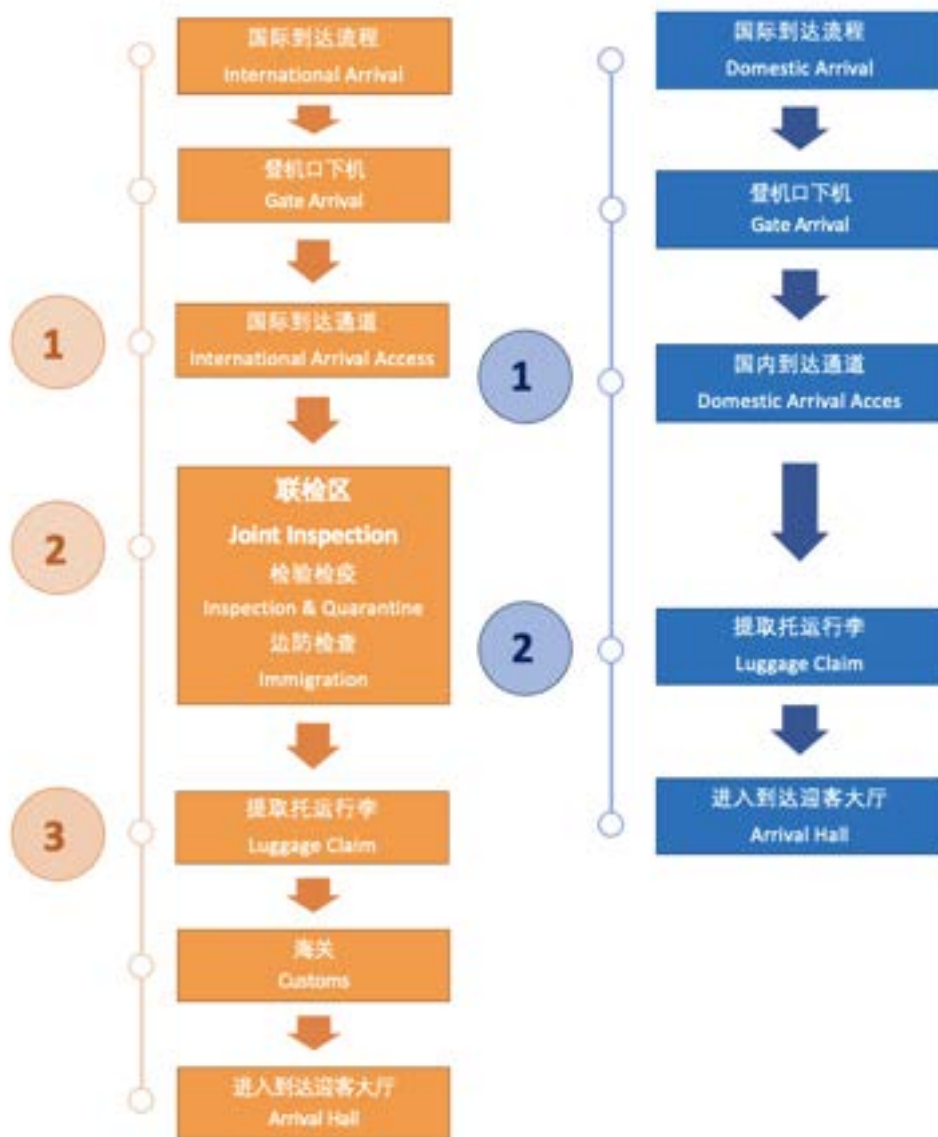


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UPON YOUR ARRIVAL



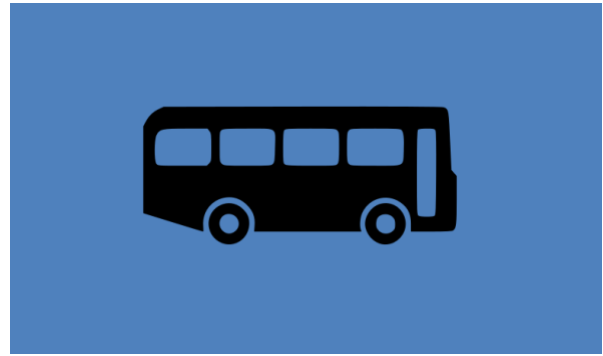
2.1 Getting to WZU from the Airport





TAXI

A taxi is the most convenient form of transportation to the university from the airport. The regular taxi meter-rate is 2.5RMB/km. The Wenzhou Longwan International Airport is located 20km east from the campus, so it will cost you around 70 RMB to get to the university from the airport. Taxi drivers will charge higher fees from 23:00 to 05. It takes approximately half an hour to arrive at WZU from the airport, depending on the traffic. Please remember to ask the driver for the receipt (发票)



Public Transportation

You may also take the Wenzhou Rail Transit Line S1 (towards Tongling) from the airport. Get off at Sanyang Weland Station, transfer to Bus B301 (towards Chashan), and get off at Wenzhou University North Campust Station.

We strongly recommend that you take a taxi rather than a bus on your first day in Wenzhou and that you have enough change in RMB to cover the taxi fee.

2.2. Residence Registration at Local Police Station

In accordance with the Rules for the Implementation of the Chinese Law on Control of the Entry and Exit of Foreigners, international students must register at the local police station within 24 hours upon their arrival. If you stay in a hotel or live in the on-campus international student dormitories, you do not need to register as the hotel/accommodation office will help you register.

Failing to register at the local police station will result in a warning or a fine up to 2,000 RMB.



2.3 Setting up a Bank Account

Below are the banks near WZU where you can set up a bank account upon your arrival.



It is required that you present your passport and a Certificate of Approval, which you may get from the WZU

International Students Division, to the bank staff when you open a bank account or exchange currencies. In addition, remember to apply or ask for a UnionPay Card.

The UnionPay Card functions as a debit card. It enables you to transfer money from your savings/checking account directly to the recipient's account and it is commonly used in Wenzhou.

Students are recommended to open a bank account in Wenzhou, and convert foreign currencies into RMB.

2.4 Medical Insurance

The Chinese Ministry of Education requires that all international students be medically insured throughout their study in China. This policy is crucial to the health, wellness and success of international students.

Basic Policy

It's compulsory for students in China to pay insurance annually, and only students who choose to study 6 months can apply for 6 months' insurance. Students outside China do not need to pay insurance.

2.5 Registration

All students have to register on their designated day of registration. Students must bring the following documents to register:



Valid passport and visa



Admissions Notification
(original copy)



Visa Application for Study in
China form (JW201/JW202
form) (original)



Graduation certificate and
official transcript (original
copy)



Bank statement and Money
Transfer Slip for all fees
(original copy)



Health report (original copy)



Transfer letter (if necessary)



No criminal report (if
necessary)



Three passport photos

Please keep in mind that no one can register on your behalf.

Students are required to arrive no later than the day of registration (specific date is written on the admission letter). Those who will be arriving late must write a letter to Overseas Students Education & Services via fax (86-577-88368612) or email (admission@wzu.edu.cn), informing the staff of your late arrival and the reason for your delay.

Students who have not registered after 2 weeks since their designated day of registration will be dismissed from the university.



2.6 Health Report Verification

All students who are studying in China for more than 6 months must obtain a medical certificate issued by the Wenzhou International Travel Health Center (WITHC) for the medical verification of the "Physical Examination Record for Foreigners." Students may be required to run several tests at the WITHC in order to get a medical certificate. New students who have their health report from their home country must have it verified by the WITHC.

Registration will be denied to those whose state of health is not up to requirements.

Wenzhou International Travel Healthcare Center:

Address:

No.315 XueYuanZhongLu,
Lucheng District, Wenzhou

Office Hours:

8:30 am – 11:00 am,
Monday to Friday.

Tel:

86-577 -88850462
-88820461

How to get to the WITHC:



Please note:

- Go to the hospital **without having breakfast** in the early morning;
- Open hours are **8:00-10:30 am** Monday through Friday;
- Bring your **passport and 3 passport photos**;
- Cost of the checkup is around **400 RMB**.

2.7 Residence Permit

The newly-arrived students who come to the university with X1 visas should apply to the Exit-Entry Administration Division of Wenzhou Municipal Public Security Bureau for a residence permit within 30 days after their arrival in China. If not, the students will be subjected to the penalty of a fine.



The Exit-Entry Administration Division of Ouhai Municipal Public Security Bureau

Address:

Approval Center, No.2 building,
Zhouyang Rd, Louqiao Avenue,
Ouhai.

Office Hours:

8:30 am – 11:00 am,
Monday to Friday.

Tel:

86-577 -88850462
-88820461

Procedures:

- 1** — Freshmen shall bring their Accommodation Registration Form issued by the university and Passport to the local police station to complete the Accommodation Registration for Overseas Personnel
- 2** — Finish a body examination in the designated hospital
- 3** — Bring your Registration Form of Accommodation for Overseas Personnel, Physical Examination Report, Passport, Admissions Notice and JW201 or JW202 to the Student Affairs Office to apply for relevant materials for Residence Permits
- 4** — Bring relevant materials to the Exit-Entry Administration Division of Ouhai Municipal Public Security Bureau to apply for Residence Permits
- 5** — Please pick up your Passport with Residence Permits on it within prescribed time



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Life in Wenzhou



3.1 About Wenzhou

Wenzhou lies along the border between Zhejiang Province and Fujian Province, with a coastline that is 355 kilometers long on the East China Sea. As a typical coastal city, Wenzhou is located in harmony with mountains and is also characterized by the integration of land and waterway transport with the dense network of interconnected rivers reaching the sea.

Thanks to its advantageous location, Wenzhou has become the political, economic and cultural center as well as the waterway transportation hub of southern Zhejiang Province.

Wenzhou, as one of the three core cities of Zhejiang Province, covers a land area of 12,083 km², with four districts (Lucheng, Longwan, Ouhai and Dongtou), three county-level cities (Yueqing, Rui'an and Longgang) and five counties (Yongjia, Wencheng, Pingyang, Taishun and Cangnan) under its jurisdiction.

Wenzhou, one of the fourteen open coastal cities in China, has pioneered the private economy and created a new economic development pattern called the "Wenzhou Model," which has attracted worldwide attention.

Wenzhou is a beautiful city with harmonized mountains and waters. Mountains, waters and land areas account respectively for 70%, 20% and 10% of Wenzhou's total territory. Blessed with a pleasant climate and rich resources, the city is home to mountains, rivers, sea, islands and plains. It boasts splendid natural landscapes with the extraordinary beauty of mountains, the tender grace of water and the grand charm of sea.

Wenzhou is a city with a solid cultural foundation. The city has a history of 2,208 years. It is the land of the ancient East Ou kingdom, the origin of China's landscape poetry, the birthplace of traditional Chinese mercantilism, homeland of China's Southern Opera, as well as the cradle of Chinese mathematicians. Historically, the city is where the culture of central China, mercantilism, mountain and ocean met and integrated with each other to create its unique Ouyue culture with Wenzhou regional features.



Wenzhou University Website
<http://www.wzu.edu.cn>



3.2 Chinese Culture and Customs

Traditional Festivals



Spring Festival

is the first day of the Chinese lunar new year. It is the most important, most featured and grandest traditional festival, and it has a history of over 4,000 years. To celebrate, people eat dumplings, set off fireworks and pay visits to relatives and friends during the Spring Festival. Due to the difference between Chinese lunar year and the common calendar year, Spring Festival normally takes place in January or February.



Tomb Sweeping day

is one of the most important sacrificial days. It is and it the day when people sweep tombs and offer sacrifices to ancestors. Tomb Sweeping day is normally in early April when Spring returns and the world is full of vigor. Therefore, people also go out to enjoy the beautiful scenery on Tomb Sweeping day.



Dragon Boat Festival

is on the fifth day of the fifth month of the Chinese lunar year (in June of the calendar year), and it has a history of over 2,000 years. People eat rice dumplings and hold dragon-boat racing events on this day.



Mid-autumn Festival

is on the fifteenth day of the eighth month of the Chinese lunar year, and it is the second grandest traditional festival in China. People eat moon cakes and enjoy the beauty of the full moon during the Mid-Autumn Festival

Offering Food and Other Things

Chinese people are not accustomed to opening gifts on the spot when they receive gifts. Usually, they would accept the gift and say “thank you” politely, but it does not mean that he/she does not love your gift. In China, people would insist on the guest taking more food several times and then make sure that the guest indeed has had enough. This is different from other Western cultures.

Appellation Etiquette

Appellation is the way of addressing the targeted person politely. In Chinese schools, “laoshi (老师)” is a polite appellation. Professors and administrative officers are all addressed as “XX laoshi (老师),” for instance, “Li laoshi (李老师),” “Sun laoshi (孙老师),” etc. It is not polite to address people by their full name.

3.3 Public Transportation

There are many public buses that stop by WZU, which makes it convenient for our students to get around the city. Due to the fact that many roads in Wenzhou are under construction and that the city is constantly developing, the public transportation system is subject to change.

The regular taxi meter-rate is 2.5 RMB/kilometer. Always keep the receipt in case you need to get in touch with the driver or with the taxi company. You can always hail to the taxis running constantly on Wenzhou’s roads, but if you are in a relatively remote location where random taxis are nowhere to be found or you have to catch a plane, the better choice would be to log on to a ride-hailing app and book your vehicle.

Aside from a bus, online ride-hailing car and taxi, you can also choose shared bikes to go out. You can use any shared bike that you see on the road. Scan the QR code that is on the shared bike with corresponding app to unlock and use it. After riding, pull over the bike in the appropriate area on the roadside, then lock the bike. The payment interface automatically appears in the app.

When you lose your way because you are not familiar with the road situation in Wenzhou, please download an app like Baidu Map, or AMAP, which will take you to find your way home

Please note that Motorcycles and Electric Vehicles without any license are not allowed on campus.



3.4 Travelling in China

When you are travelling in China, you must bring your Passport and take care of your belongings. Please keep at least 2 copies of your passport with you.

Your travel destination must be one that is open to visitors/foreigners. You must NOT enter restricted areas/regions that are prohibited to visitors/foreigners without obtaining prior approval from the Chinese authorities. Students who need to enter the restricted areas/regions for research purposes must apply for the appropriate authorization in order to set foot into these places. Students are only permitted to travel during weekends, holidays, summer and winter breaks. Students cannot request leave to travel during their class periods.

Domestic Transportation

Traveling inside the Chinese territory can be realized through long distance buses, high-speed and normal trains and airplanes, all of which can be booked and bought online via the “Air & Rail” functions in Alipay. Train tickets can be purchased on the official website of the Chinese Railway Ministry: <http://www.12306.cn/mormhweb/>.



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University Life



4.1 About Wenzhou University

Nestled within picturesque mountains, vast waterways, and the heart of a vibrant coastal city, Wenzhou University (WZU) offers unparalleled educational opportunities for students who are looking to study within a rich cultural environment and benefit from a strong academic tradition. Of the more than

2,500 colleges and universities located throughout China, WZU ranked 167th in China according to the 2021 U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities Rankings. Meanwhile, WZU ranked 3rd in Zhejiang province according to the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2021.

Inaugurated in 1933 by Mr. Huang Suchu, a renowned industrialist, Wenzhou University has merged and integrated 6 schools in its development and progress. WZU is among the first batch of state-approved Chinese Language and Culture Education Base, designated by the Chinese Ministry of Education (MOE) to accept Chinese Government Scholarship students, and is authorized to accept overseas Chinese students and students from Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan. Overseas students applying to study at WZU can apply for a Chinese Government Scholarship, Confucius Institute Scholarship, Zhejiang Provincial Government Scholarship, and WZU Presidential Scholarships.

Its academic programs cover 9 discipline areas including Literature, Science, Engineering, Law, Education, Economics, History, Management and Art. WZU offers 46 postgraduate programs and 57 undergraduate programs. The number of full-time faculty and staff is about 2,000. It has about 14,000 undergraduates, 1,500 postgraduates, 900 international students and around 13,000 part-time students annually for continuing education.

The university has always attached great importance to the education of international students and all the undergraduate programs and postgraduate programs are open to international students. Considering the limited Chinese language ability of some international applicants, WZU offers courses taught exclusively in English at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. These special programs offer rich opportunities for international students to acquire highly specialized knowledge while gaining a better understanding of the Chinese language and culture.



www.wzu.edu.cn



4.2 The Chinese Academic year

There are two semesters in a Chinese academic year. Fall Semester is the beginning of a new academic year, usually from September to January of the next year. Spring Semester usually starts in late February and ends in late June. Between the two semesters there are the winter vacation and summer vacation. The summer vacation usually lasts two months, and the university arranges summer school courses.

The winter vacation is four weeks and is normally connected with the Spring Festival. Due to the unfixed date of the Spring Festival, the specific registration date for every semester varies, so it is important to check the WZU's academic calendar intermittently.

4.3 Campus Card

Currently, Wenzhou University campus cards can be used to borrow library books, buy food and beverage from campus cafeterias, and make purchases at on-campus supermarkets. The campus card contains personal information and consumption data. When using your card to purchase food, you just put it near a scanner's reading area, and the correct amount will be deducted from your card.

Entering Campus

Please show the safeguard your campus card when entering campus.

Borrowing Books

When entering the library, you need to swipe your campus card on the turnstile before you are admitted entry.

Consumption

Campus cards can be used in all campus cafeterias. When using the card, wait for the staff to input the correct amount, then place your card on the reading area, and wait for the "beep." The "beep" means that the amount has been successfully deducted.

Loss of Campus Card

If in any case you lose your campus card, you must lock the card as soon as possible. To lock the campus card, you could visit the Campus Card Center in person to complete the procedures.

To obtain a campus card you could go to the Students Affairs Office and complete the application form, then go to the Campus Card Service Center on the first floor of Yansongtang Hall (岩松堂) on South Campus.



4.4 Library

Due to security reasons, students are required to swipe their campus card, which serves as their library card, at the building's entrance in order to enter the library. The library's loan period for books is one month. Students may renew their books in person at the library or online at the library's website. Students with late returns will be penalized according to the library's rules and regulations.

4.5 Public holidays

<p>Weekends</p> <p><i>Saturdays & Sundays</i></p>	<p>New Year</p> <p><i>January 1st</i></p>	<p>Spring Festival</p> <p><i>Winter holiday, around 1 month long</i></p>	<p>*Apart from the internationally adopted Gregorian calendar, China also uses the Lunar calendar, especially in marking traditional holidays.</p> <p>The actual holiday time shall see the school calendar</p>
<p>Qingming Festival</p> <p><i>April 5th also known as Tomb Sweeping Day</i></p>	<p>International Labor Day</p> <p><i>May 1st</i></p>	<p>Duanwu Festival</p> <p><i>5th day of 5th month of Lunar calendar, also known as Dragon Boat Festival</i></p>	
<p>Summer holiday</p> <p><i>Early July to end of August</i></p>	<p>Mid-Autumn Festival</p> <p><i>15th day of 8th month of Lunar calendar</i></p>	<p>Chinese National Day</p> <p><i>October 1st 7-day holiday</i></p>	

4.6 Bank Service

You can open bank accounts with your own Passport. There is an Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC) at the Business Center of the University Town; Bank of China (BOC), Agriculture Bank of China (ABC) and China Construction Bank (CCB) can be found in Chashan town. ATM for those banks are available near the convenience store at the entrance of District A.

For international remittance, you can use Western Union which is available at BOC, ICBC, ABC and CCB banks in Chashan town.



4.7 Map of Wenzhou University



Welcome to Wenzhou University

We invite you to stroll about our picturesque campuses with beautiful mountain views and relaxing walkways. If you have questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask anyone on campus. Whatever the reason for your visit, we hope you enjoy your stay!

Car Wash	Campus Card	Bank	Post Office
Parking	Supermarket	ATM	Information
BUS Station	Supermarket	Toilet	Public Bicycles

Library & Administration

- 1 Yuying Library F3
- 2 Administration Building C2
- 3 International Relations (602)
- 4 Finance (209.311)
- 5 Student Affairs
- 6 Teaching Affairs
- 7 Postgraduate Affairs
- 8 Technical Assistance
- 9 University Police (7x24 help line: 66698110)
- 10 Folklore Museum
- 11 Hair Embroidery Museum
- 12 Folklore Hall (Conferences) D2
- 13 Campus Card D2, B3, A4, D6, F5, F6
- 14 City College B1
- 15 Oujang College B6

Colleges & Venues

- 1 School of Business B5
- 2 College of Architecture & Civil Engineering C1
- 3 College of Chemistry & Materials Engineering B2
- 4 College of Fine Arts and Design D2
- 5 School of Foreign Studies B5
- 6 College of Humanities B6
- 7 College of International Education B3
- 8 College of Law and Political Science B6
- 9 College of Life & Environmental Science B2
- 10 College of Physical Education A5
- 11 College of Physical & Electronic Information Science D1
- 12 College of Mathematics & Information Science D2
- 13 College of Marxism B5
- 14 College of Mechanical & Electrical Engineering C1
- 15 College of Music B5
- 16 College of Teacher Education D3

Residence & Canteens

- 1 Bujing Community B3
- 2 Clinic (South Campus) (2nd floor)
- 3 Clinic Post Mailbox
- 4 China Mobile
- 5 Suchu Community D6
- 6 Chaohao Community F6
- 7 Expert Building (Zhuan Jia Lou) B3
- 8 International Student Residence



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 Website: http://wze.wzu.edu.cn/
 Application system: https://wzu-17gz.org/member/login.do

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