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**International Program of
Master of Social Work in
"Women's Leadership and Social Development"**

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I PROGRAM MAPPING

Introduction

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Academic Education Programs sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China is designed to foster high-end business officials and managerial personnel for the recipient countries, offering one-year and two-year master programs as well as three-year doctoral programs for the purpose of educating high-end and inter-disciplinary talent working in the applied fields of government, trade, foreign affairs, agriculture, technology, education, culture and health, building intellectual capacity and facilitating the economic and social development of the recipient countries. These programs provide assistance to governmental officials, research fellows, and senior managerial personnel on their master and doctor education in China, which are fully conducted in English. Admission requirements include a bachelor's degree, relevant working experiences, and decent physical conditions, essential for the high-compact curriculum required for the degrees.

Starting from 2008, a number of 2,678 students from developing countries have attended these programs. Until now, except for those who are still in their studies, 1,088 of them have graduated and obtained master degrees. These graduates are now working in their specialties back in home countries and undertaking an increasingly significant role in the economic development cooperation between China and their home countries. As for the positive effects and good results brought by these programs in strengthening economic ties and friendship between China and the recipient countries. The Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China will continuously intensify its efforts in enlarging the enrollment scale and improving the quality of education. We believe that by attending the programs and achieving the degrees, you will embrace a successful career and brighter future.

China Women's University

China Women's University is located in Beijing, the capital of China. It is the first state-owned women's university, affiliated with All-China Women's Federation. With more than 65 years of development, it has become one of the major centers to mentor Chinese women talents. As part of Chinese and global women's education network, China Women's University has attached great importance to research and social services, playing a leading role in research fields such as gender studies, gender equality, rights and interests' protection for women and children, women in media and women's leadership. It actively participated in the 4th World Women's Conference in 1995 and its following events in Beijing.

School of International Education

School of International Education, China Women's University, is responsible for conducting the university's international cooperative education programs and the oversea students programs. It adheres to the vision of open education, embracing the

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advanced international education concepts and management practices. It actively carries out all-round and multi-level international exchanges and cooperation by integrating the best resources of education cross different disciplines. It has established intercollegiate partnerships with its counterparts from more than ten countries.

Prospective Students

Our prospective students are female government officials of division level or above, academic institutions' female dean level or above faculty or administrative staff of equivalent level from developing countries of Asia, Africa, and Latin America etc.

Program Objective

It is to be themed on women's leadership and social development to improve the students' capacity of applying theories and methods of social work to their practices, as well as to share with them the understanding of Chinese practices and experiences in promoting women's participation in social development; to deepen the students' understanding of the responsibility of promoting gender equality among national governments in transition and be devoted to taking actions by enhancing their capacity of mobilization, organizing and improving women's participation in social development; to develop students' leadership and capacity of participating in government decision-making and governance; to enhance their capacity of taking the role of governments or other entities in promoting gender equality; and to get improved in their problem solving and leadership skills, which will contribute to the development of gender equality and empowerment of women and girls.

Enrollment Plan

In each year, we plan to enroll up to 20 students in our two-year master program on "Social Work" with English as the instructing language.

Financial Aid

The Chinese Ministry of Commerce will provide "Chinese Government Scholarships" to admitted students from developing countries. These scholarships cover both tuition and living expenses. The tuition includes the cost for textbooks, required field research expenses and guidance fees for graduation thesis. In terms of living expenses, it is 36,000 RMB/year for the master program. There is also a settlement allowance of 3,000 RMB/person.

Facilities

Each student is provided free of charge a single room in international students' dormitory with a private bathroom of 24 hour hot shower-water, and air conditioner. Other facilities include public laundry and pantry with microwave ovens and toasters. Dormitory is accessible to students only.

II CURRICULUM

Overview

Our master degree program is a two-year full-time program. Students enrolled in this program are expected to complete minimum 32 credits of study, including 15 credits of 4 core courses, 12 credits of selective courses, and 5 credits of field work and a thesis writing within two years.

Emphasis is laid upon integrating interdisciplinary theories and multi perspectives of researching methods, to further understand gender and social development, women's leadership and women's participation in social development, and to actively explore the political and social factors hindering women from governance and decision-making. Theoretical studies will be combined with fieldwork and practices to effectively enable the students to better participate in government decision-making and governance.

Students graduated from this program will possess both broad academic vision and solid professional basis to enhance their leadership capability, their ability to participate in government decision-making, as well as to advocate and encourage women's participation in social development in their home countries.

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Courses and Credits

Course Modules	Title	Credits	Semester	Category	Minimum Credits Required
Core Courses	Social Work: Theory and Method	4	Autumn	Compulsory	15
	Research Methods in Social Work	4	Autumn	Compulsory	
	Gender and Social Development	3	Autumn	Compulsory	
	Women' s Leadership: Theory and Practice	4	Autumn	Compulsory	
	Sum	15			
Optional Courses (Module One)	International Protection for Women' s Human Rights	3	Autumn	Optional	8
	Social Advocacy	2	Spring	Optional	
	Welfare Policy for Women in China and Abroad	2	Spring	Optional	
	Crisis Management	3	Autumn	Optional	
	Media Literacy	3	Spring	Optional	
	Internet economy and Women' s Entrepreneurship	3	Spring	Optional	
	Credits Required in Total	8			
Optional Courses (Module Two)	China' s Development Model and Practices	2	Spring	Optional	4
	Chinese Culture and China' s Law	2	Spring	Optional	
	Gender Mainstreaming in China	2	Spring	Optional	
	Women in China' s Economic and Social Development	2	Spring	Optional	
	Mandarin Language Foundation	2	Autumn	Optional	
	Mandarin Language Application	2	Spring	Optional	
	Credits Required in Total (For the mandarin courses, choose only one from the two.)	4			
Field Work and Thesis	Field Work	2	Autumn	Compulsory	5
	Thesis	3	Spring	Compulsory	
	Sum	5			
	Total Credits	32			32

Core Course Description

Title	Description	Credits
Social Work: Theory and Method	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the values, professional ethics, work methods and basic theories of social work - Discuss community work methods, group work methods, empowerment theory, gender perspectives, feminism theory and critical perspective - Enable the students to apply the theory and method of social work into problem solving in women issues and promoting women's development 	4
Research Methods in Social Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Understand the methodology and framework of social work research - Master the methods, procedures and skills of doing quantitative and qualitative research -Build the capacity of social investigation analysis and statistic evaluation of social work to write an investigation and research report 	4
Gender and Social Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Understand the main school of social development theories and the basic points in the theory of gender development -Understand social gender analysis perspective and the international practice of gender and social development -Master social gender analysis tools -Apply the theory of social development and social gender perspective to analyze the challenges and strategies women may encounter when participating social development 	3
Women's Leadership: Theory and Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Understand women's leadership development history as well as its basic theory and its content -Discuss how to promote women's leadership and leadership strategies by analyzing global women's leadership situation and problems -Apply their learning into the practice of promoting women's development 	4

Teaching Mode

Teaching language is English. Classroom teaching will be the main teaching method, while incorporate a mix of lectures, seminars, case discussions, as well as practice inside and outside of classrooms.

Assessment forms include course thesis statement, practice report and site report, etc. Credits are to be given only if the students pass the assessment in required courses.

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Thesis writing is to assess the students' capacity of integrating theories into their practice and policy analysis.

Instructors will be assigned to students to provide guidance and advice for their study.

Field internship will be arranged in China and in their home countries if needed. Students are required to follow their instructions of handbook of internship to finish it.

Semesters

Each academic year starts from September and ends in July. Thus, the two-year program includes 2 full autumn semesters, 2 full spring semesters, two winter vocations and 1 summer vocation.

Thesis

A thesis supervisor will be arranged for each student in the third semester of the program. With the guidance of the instructor, a student is expected to carry out independent social work research on themes adhered to women's leadership and issues of women's development in developing countries.

Degree

An International Master degree of Social Work (IMSW) will be conferred upon a candidate after her successful completion of required credits and her thesis approved by the University Academic Committee.

III PROFILES OF INSTRUCTORS

China Women's University boasts of first-class faculty composed of distinguished scholars and accomplished practitioners, who have been actively engaged in study of social work and women's development, and widely acknowledged as experts in their own field. Core faculty of China Women's University is listed below, aligned in alphabetic order.

HAN Henan

Professor of Women's Studies, specialized in Marxist women theory in China, socialist women theory with Chinese characteristics.

LI Mingshun

Professor of Law, Chairman of University Council of China Women's University,

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specialized in family inheritance law, women's human rights, women's law, civil law, etc.

LIU Liqun

Ph.D., Professor of Sociology, President of China Women's University, specialized in international communication, media and Women's Studies.

LIU Meng

Ph.D., Professor of Social Work, Vice President of China Women's University, specialized in social work practice, domestic violence and marital conflict, anti-trafficking in women and female suicide issues.

WEI Kaiqiong

Ph.D., Professor of Women's Studies, specialized in gender studies.

ZHANG Lixi

Ph.D., Professor of Social Work, former Chairperson of University Council of China Women's University, specialized in Gender Studies, marriage and family.

ZHANG Lili

Professor of Public Management, specialized in human resources development and management, organizational behavior, women's leadership, women's entrepreneurship.

ZHOU Yingjiang

Ph.D., Professor of Law, specialized in women's property rights protection, civil law, women's law.

GUAN Xinping

Ph.D., visiting Professor of CWU, specialized in theory and practice of Chinese social policy, and anti-poverty policies in Chinese urban and rural areas.

IV APPLICATION

Requirement

- 1) Applicants must be female government officials of division level or above, or university or research institution researchers of dean level or above, or administrative staff of equivalent level.
- 2) Applicants must be no more than 45 years old.

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- 3) Applicants for the master program must have attained a Bachelor degree or above.
- 4) Applicants must be proficient in English. If the candidate is not a native English speaker, and her undergraduate education was not conducted in English, then she is required to submit either a test score of TOFEL or IELTS, or an equivalent certificate as the proof of her English proficiency.

Procedure

1) Application to China Women's University

Download the *International Master of Social Work in Women's Leadership and Social Development Application Form* at <http://www.cwu.edu.cn> for its English version. Fill in all the required information and prepare the other materials for application.

After getting approved and recommended by the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office of Chinese Embassy, please scan the application form with your signature and all the other materials, and email to the School of International Education (cwuinternational@sina.com).

2) Application to Chinese Government Scholarship

Please visit the online application system of Chinese Scholarship Council at <http://laihua.csc.edu.cn>, and register for an account. Select the program "Chinese Government Scholarship", fill in all the required information, and an application form will come into being. Print out the form, put on a hand-written signature and date, and then post a photo on it. To complete the form successfully, please note the following information:

- (1) For the "Program Category", select "Type B".
- (2) The agency No. of China Women's University is 11149.
- (3) For the master program, "Discipline" is "Law", "Major" is "Social Work".

3) Additional Scholarship

China Women's University provides a special scholarship for this program. Each year, the school will select 20% of the outstanding candidates for the scholarship based on their performance during their stay for the program.

4) Checklist of Application Documents

No.	Document	Requirements	Original	Copy
1	Application Form to China Women's University	Please visit http://www.cwu.edu.cn , download the application form, fill it in online, print it out, sign it, and stick a photo on it.	1	1
2	Application Form to Chinese Government Scholarship	Please visit http://laihua.csc.edu.cn , download the application form, fill it in online, print it out, sign it, and stick a photo on it.	1	1
3	Institution Recommendation Letter	A recommendation letter by a superior in the institution where the applicant works.	1	1
4	Academic Recommendation Letter	A Recommendation letter by a professor who knows the applicant well.	1	1
5	Degrees	An original copy and a photocopy need to be prepared for each degree.	1	1
6	Official Transcripts	The transcripts of the degree/s obtained. It should list all courses taken and all scores obtained.	1	1
7	CV	In English.	1	1
8	Personal Statement	Personal statement must be written in English. It shall cover such essential elements as applicant's academic background, working experience, achievements, and future career plans, including a research plan at China Women's University.	1	1
9	Research Proposal	Personal research plan in China.	1	1
10	Photocopy of a Valid Passport	The passport must be a personal regular passport. All successful candidates must enter China and register with China Women's University by using the same passport as used for applying for the program.	1	1
11	English Language Proficiency Test Results	Applicants who are not native English speakers or whose undergraduate education was not conducted in English shall provide TOEFL or IELTS test scores, or an equivalent certificate or document if applicable.	1	1
12	Recent personal photo	Two passport-style bareheaded photo in 2 inches, with white background.	2	1
13	Physical Examination Form	The health form shall be issued within one month before the submission of application, showing that the applicant carries no infectious diseases which may have a serious impact on public health or fall into any of the health situations prohibited by China's Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations.	1	1

5) Submission

- 1) Submit all the application materials listed in the above table in both hard copy and scanned copy to the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office of Chinese Embassy. The hard copy must include both the original copy and the photocopy, as indicated in the table. For the addresses of the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Offices, please visit <http://www.china-aibo.cn>.

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- 2) Submit a written request to the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office of Chinese Embassy for an official recommendation letter and clearly state:
 - a) Whether the applicant is willing to be considered for a similar program at other universities if the programs at China Women's University are already full.
 - b) Other special requests if any.
- 3) Submit all the scanned materials to the School of International Education, China Women's University, via the email: cwuinternational@sina.com.
 - a) Please unify the titles of your documents as follow:

No. + document's name + your country's name + your name
 - b) Please input the "No." and the "document's name" as same as the items in the table above.
 - c) Please make sure the scanned files required are totally 13 files.

Reminders:

- a) All the documents to be submitted should be in Chinese or English. Otherwise, a notarized copy in Chinese or English is required.
- b) An original copy of degrees, transcripts and language certificates must be presented for on-site verification.
- c) Applicants will get back all the hard-copy materials, both original copies and photocopies from the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office. If admitted, they must take the documents to China and submit them to the School of International Education of China Women's University during registration.
- d) None of the materials submitted to the School of International Education of China Women's University will be returned. For important documents such as degrees and transcripts, a stamped copy issued by the institution where the applicant received her degrees will be accepted as a replacement of the original copy. In this case, the original copy must be presented for on-site verification.

Deadlines

The application deadline is June 30th.

The deadline for sending admission letter is around August each year.

Registration usually takes place in September each year.

The exact date will be specified in the admission letter.

V CONTACT AND NOTES

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Notes:

- a) Chinese government will not give any explanations regardless of admission or not.
- b) Cost of spouse and children's visiting will not be covered.
- c) Visa and other relevant requirements will be specified in the admission letter.
- d) The information in details about the China entry formalities and other requirement will be provided in the admission documents.