PKU “Future Leaders” Undergraduate Program

Admissions Information

Document Applicability

The information in this document is applicable to individuals who will apply to the “Future Leaders” Program through one of Guanghua’s partner institutions.

Eligibility

The program is looking for students who:

1. Exhibit outstanding academic ability
2. Possess strong moral character, a clear sense of mission, and global vision;
3. Have a strong interest in the interdisciplinary study of China;
4. Are willing to contribute to addressing global challenges and promoting cross-cultural communication;
5. Have a track record of leadership and social responsibility, and the ability to make an impact in their field/community;
6. Have no failed coursework or record of academic dishonesty or disciplinary violations;
7. Exhibit determination, energy and adaptability;
8. Are able to drive changes despite obstacles, and inspire others to help make changes happen.

Please also note:

1. Students must successfully complete the first two-years of study at their home institution by the end of June of the same year they will arrive at Guanghua in order to maintain their eligibility for the program.
2. For applicants who are not native English speakers and those who attend university where English is not the language of instruction, official TOEFL or IELTS scores must be submitted. Individuals who submit TOEFL scores should have received a minimum score of 100, and individuals who submit IELTS scores should have received a minimum score of 6.5 with no individual section score falling below 6.0.
3. Due to limitations imposed by the Ministry of Education, P.R.China passport holders will be recruited directly by Peking University and cannot apply to this
program through one of Guanghua’s partner universities. Individuals who previously held a P.R.China passport and now hold a passport from a different country or who have switched to a Hong Kong passport must have held their new passport for a minimum of six years and have lived outside of mainland China for a minimum of eight years before they qualify to apply to this program through a partner university.

4. Hong Kong permanent residents who do not hold a second non-Hong Kong passport are only eligible to apply to the “Future Leaders” program through The University of Hong Kong. The stipulations outlined in point 3 above are still applicable.

5. Individuals applying to Peking University as an international must meet Peking University’s admissions requirements for Peking University.

Application Process

The application process will vary by partner school, so you should verify your university’s application process with your university’s program coordinator. Generally, the application process will involve the following steps:

1. Application materials submitted through the application portal link provided by your home university. Materials must be received by the deadline specified by your program coordinator.

2. Application materials review and selection of candidates who will invited to first-round interview with home university representatives.

3. Review of interview results and selection of candidates who will be invited to second-round interview with Guanghua representatives.

4. Offers of admission sent to selected candidates.

Application Materials

1. Completed application form (available through the application portal link that will be provided at the time of application);

2. Copy of CV/resume;

3. Copy of transcripts/academic records (scanned copies are acceptable during the application stage, but original documents must be submitted in English upon program start);

4. English proficiency test scores, as required (see Eligibility section);

5. Two letters of recommendation:
a) One letter focused on academic ability and potential, coming from someone such as a current or former professor.

b) One letter focused on the personal characteristics and leadership potential as described in your application materials. People responsible for coordinating programs or activities in which students are involved may be good recommendation sources.

6. Two essays:
   a) Essay 1: Personal Statement (up to 500 words)
   b) Essay 2: Answer one of the following two questions (up to 500 words):
      Option A: What characteristics do you think are essential to global leadership in today’s world and why?
      Option B: In what ways do you anticipate that understanding China will help you accomplish your personal and professional goals?

7. Copy of your (valid) passport’s personal information page;

8. Copies of awards or certificates (optional);