

ICOM-IMREC MA Scholarship Communication Approach

Greetings, Prospective Students!

We are delighted to announce the opening of admissions for our Master's in Museum Studies at Shanghai University. If you have a passion for museums and cultural heritage, this is the perfect opportunity for you!

ICOM-IMREC (the International Museum Research and Exchange Centre) is offering 10 fully funded scholarships for successful applicants to undertake their 3-year Master's Degree within the School of Cultural Heritage and Information Management at Shanghai University. The process is competitive so please read the following information carefully.

Program Introduction

The Master's degree in Museum Studies prepares students for careers in museums and a variety of cultural heritage organisations. Shanghai University's program in Museum Studies aligns with major cultural developments in national and local institutions, emphasizing practical work in museums. It aims to build an academic discipline and professional practice with new concepts, new perspectives, and new methods in the context of localizing global knowledge. Every year, the program invites renowned experts from around the world to offer specialized courses, actively recommends graduate students to participate in relevant academic conferences domestically and internationally and fosters graduates who combine a broad international perspective with the capacity to serve the local community. The program is offered by The School of Cultural Heritage and Information Management, with opportunities to explore interdisciplinary courses in archaeology, archival studies, digital humanities, and information sciences.

Students are encouraged to explore thesis research directions including but not limited to:

Museological Theory

Museum Display and Exhibitions

Museum Education

Core Curriculum:

Theories and Methods in Museology

Museum exhibition Studies

Studies of Public Education in Museums

The New Museology

Archaeological Theories and Methods

Materials for Conservation

Students can also choose electives such as cultural heritage, conservation, archaeology, archival studies, and information management.

Program Instructors:

Professors: Laishun An, Shouyong Pan, Mingbin Li.

Associate Professor: Yang Huang, Siyi Wang.

Lecturer: Kaiyun Hu.

Program Requirements:

Students are expected to complete over 49 credits to obtain the degree. A typical study plan for the student would require spending the first year taking most of the required courses, the second year completing an internship, field study, or research projects, and the third year completing the graduate thesis. **With approval from the school and academic advisor, students may complete their 2nd and 3rd year of study remotely off-campus.**

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens and be in good health.
- Applicants must hold a Bachelor's degree.
- The language of instruction is English; for students whose native language is not English, IELTS or TOEFL scores as language proficiency requirements are necessary. (IELTS 6.5/TOEFL 90)
- Target Cohort: Members of ICOM.
- Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from one ICOM member.

MA Scholarship Application Process Timeline:

Notice: For Further Information or assistance with the application process, please contact Mr. SONG from The School of Cultural Heritage and Information Management at hsong@shu.edu.cn or Ms. LIU from the Shanghai University International Students Admission Office at liuyuan2020@shu.edu.cn.

Phase 1: Admission Opens (Dec. 2024 - March 2025):

- In **December 2024**, the SHU Admission Website will release the admission guide and the online application system opens.
- To apply, please visit the link:
apply.shu.edu.cn/program/index?language=en&category_id=11
and choose Museum Studies under the offerings of School of Cultural Heritage and Information

Management. Then chose **APPLY**.

Step 1:

- Register an account using your own email.
- Complete the online application form.
- Upload necessary materials.
- Choose your preferred mentors from the list of SHU Program Instructors.
- Complete preliminary tests.
- The deadline for application will be March 31st 2025.

Step 2:

- Within 7 days after submitting your application, SHU will conduct an initial review of your application.

Step 3:

- The School of Cultural Heritage and Information Management will confirm receipt of the application.

Phase 2: Application Review (April - June 2025):

- In April 2024, the IMREC APB will review all candidates and finalize the list of scholarship recipients. By May 15th, SHU will complete its internal application review and forward all materials to China Scholarship Council (CSC) for confirmation.
- In June 2024, CSC will confirm the scholarship recipients.

Phase 3: Confirmation of Enrollment (July - Sept 2025):

- The Admission Office will send out official offers and guide the visa process for accepted students.
- IMREC will cover the airfares for IMREC scholarship recipients.

We look forward to welcoming you to Shanghai University and guiding you on your journey in the world of Museum Studies!

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