

CHINA 聚焦"双一流"

Implementation of the **Double First-Class** Initiative in China

he construction of "world-class universities and first-class disciplines" is a crucial measure taken by the Chinese government to improve higher education after the success of the 211 and 985 Programs, and to ensure that the nation becomes rich in human-resource potential. It is also relevant to enhancing the country's core competitiveness internationally and to achieving its modernization goals. The implementation of the Double First-Class Initiative is fully compatible with China's economic and social development and the demand for talents to play a central role in spearheading the country's growth.

The Double First-Class Initiative integrates the development of higher education at home and the lessons learned from the development of higher education abroad. World-class universities and first-class disciplines are being built in keeping with Chinese cultural characteristics; the plan combines a careful evaluation of national conditions with a spirit that encourages innovation.

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Double First-Class, Presidents' Notes for Global Scientific and Technological Talents.

Situated in Guangzhou, SCUT is one of the top-ranked universities in China listed under the "Double First-Class" University Project. SCUT ranks 235th in ARWU (Academic Ranking of World Universities), with its engineering discipline at

22nd. In March 2017, the Chinese Ministry of Education, Guangdong Provincial Government,

Guangzhou Municipal Government and SCUT signed an agreement on the collaborative construction of SCUT's Guangzhou International Campus, SCUT has thus formed a discipline layout emphasizing the interdependence of its three campuses. We sincerely welcome global talents to join us! Northeastern University is one of the "Double First-Class" key construction universities in

China's higher education.

The university lays more emphasis on innovation and novelty of the international academic frontier

and realizing the core technology innovation featured with significance, intractability and commonness in the industrial upgrading. Northeastern University will stride forward unremittingly to build itself into a world-class university with Chinese characteristics, playing a leading role in the new industrialization progress in China. We sincerely welcome global talents to join us in the pursuit of a better future for higher education.

As one of the level A universities included in the "National Double First Class University Project", SCU has clearly marked out the development blueprint of "running the best programs of medicine and a first-class program of liberal arts, science and new en-

gineering", and has set out a cross-disciplinary plan focused on "medicine+" and "information+" disciplines in the progress of becoming a world-class

of becoming a world-class university. SCU is committed to providing outstanding young talents with great working and living conditions. We look forward to you joining the ranks of the renowned scholars and researchers who make the SCU an outstanding university.

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The implementation of the Double First-Class Initiative is in accord with the essence and principles of education, while still keeping pace with the times. China's higher education system has joined the age of "mass education." We are entering a networked and information-based society; the organization of the university has changed profoundly, and curriculums are becoming centered on digital platforms, where the nature of education focuses on individual choice and personalized learning is becoming the way of the future. In the process of laying the groundwork for the initiative, China strives to foster the highest educational standards, while strongly supporting higher education in its goals of improving scientific research, increasing the capacity for innovation, and expanding the cultivation of talent.

The Double First-Class Initiative is being planned using a scientific system; in order to build world-class universities and ensure their sound operation, their development must be standardized through legislation that clarifies the mechanisms of management and operation. Chinese universities maintain their relationship with the government in accordance with the Higher Education Law of the People's Republic of China, giving full play to their ability to run independently while still under the guidance of the government.

The Double First-Class Initiative provides a reasonable evaluation system, which is an important impetus for the sound development of higher education. Under the initiative, assessment of Chinese universities is characterized by support and encouragement in the administrative details of running a university and directional guidance in the formation of disciplines. The appraisal of the university centers on the cultivation of students and allows their initiative to flourish.

Perhaps the most crucial aspect of the Double First-Class Initiative is the support it receives from the stable supply of talents that is now pouring in. In recent years, Chinese higher education has been developing rapidly, and its universities have attracted more and more specialists. What is said in the classic Chinese poetry collection The Book of Songs, Da Ya and Wen Wang is that "talents were born in this kingdom, who fostered the development of the kingdom; they were the pillars of the Zhou Dynasty." A first-class team of scholars is the basis for first-class scientific research and teaching. The construction of world-class universities and first-class disciplines in China requires not only buildings, but also experts in every field.

By being fully engaged in the Double First-Class Initiative and helping to guide higher education toward a brighter future, Chinese universities are playing a leading role in the advancement of human civilization.

The Double First-Class Initiative has opened up thousands of opportunities for outstanding scholars. Global talents are welcomed to join us, for China is a promising country where you can realize your dream of scientific research.

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Nanjing University enjoys a glorious tradition for more than 100 years: breathing with the times, sharing destiny with the nation, seeking the strength of the

country, and progressing in the promotion of science. At present, embraced by two major themes, namely, fostering tue and morality education, I serving the country, Nanjing inversity is pushing forward.

themes, namely, fostering virtue and morality education, and serving the country, Nanjing University is pushing forward a comprehensive reform and speeding up the construction of a world-class university. We sincerely welcome a great many of young scholars to start a new journey of academic career in Nanjing University!

Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics (NUAA) is a comprehensive, high-level,

research-oriented university specialized on aeronautics, astronautics and civil aviation, with building a world-class university as

its unremitting pursuit. We always regard teachers as our primary resource for development. We sincerely invite outstanding overseas scholars to join hands with us in taking the university mission, shouldering the era's responsibility and assembling global wisdom to construct the blueprint. "Pursue the knowledge and serve the world". Let's reunite together to create brilliance on the road of serving the nations and pursuing the excellence.

As an institution of higher learning with a history of 117 years, TYUT was listed as China's "Double World-class" construction university in 2017. Putting the students at the center and with construction dis-

> ciplines taking the lead, TYUT has been, over the recent years, vigorously implementing the

five university-driven strategic projects with the strategy of reinvigorating TYUT through human resource development at its core. Over 40,000 TYUT staff and students are earnestly looking forward to the arrival of high-end talented professionals and their teams both from home and abroad.

Science and Technology

Henan University of Science and

Technology (HAUST), located in the thousand-year ancient capital and the peony flower city of Luoyang, is jointly Sponsored by the State Administration

of Science, Technology & Industry for National Defense and the People's Government of Henan Province, as well as University Supported by National Basic Ability Construction Project of Western and Central China, Council Member of Universities Alliance of the Silk Road, Model University of Entrepreneurial Education and National Continuing Education Base for Professionals. Henan University of Science and Technology sincerely welcomes talents worldwide!

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Founded in 1958, Southwest Petroleum University is the national "double-first class" world-class university for discipline construction. It covers eight

discipline fields. The petroleum engineering discipline obtained A+, making Southwest Petroleum University one of the 80 universities with A+ disciplines in China. With the commitment of building "a world-class discipline, a first-class energy university and a century famous school", we sincerely invite you to join us to

lead and serve the global energy

revolution in Chengdu, China.

Foshan University is dedicating to the leading National Institution of Science and Technology. Scientific concepts never cut off any border, but transcend all

fences. So does the mobility

of talented scientists.

Foshan University welcomes elites all over the world. Your ambition, passion, and industriousness will be valued, considered and turned into reality. Come and join us!

Qufu Normal University (QFNU) is located in Qufu city, -- the birthplace of Confucius who was

Confucius who was an influential Chinese philosopher, and one of cradles of the ancient

Chinese civilization. It has many advanced scientific research platforms, where the excellent academic environment has facilitated the great progress of the outstanding teachers and students here to have realized their dreams. Qufu Normal University, one of the unique academic communities, is waiting for you to join us!

Young scholars are the hope of universities. In order to attract more excellent scholars from all over the world to join us and help them grow up as soon as possible, several new fund projects, involving the basic fund

of scientific research, excellent young scholar program, outstanding teaching award and efficient research environ-

ment etc., are implemented at Zhejiang University of Science and Technology.

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As a key university in Shanghai, China, Donghua University (DHU) has been enlisted in the "Double-First-Class University Plan" in 2017. In response to the two commanding heights of

national strategic demands and international fashion innovation, DHU, with its Textile Science and Engineering as the core,

Engineering as the core, combined with Material Science and Design Studies, drives the concerted development of many related disciplines, such as Control Science and Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Environmental Science, Chemistry and Business Management. It builds up an innovative, cross-disciplinary platform by integrating three centers, i.e., the Innovation Center for Textile Science and Technology, the Center for Advanced Low-Dimensional Materials, and Shanghai International Fashion Innovation Center. DHU cherishes the value of talents, attaching high importance to both talent introduction and cultivation. Talents from all over the globe are welcome to join DHU in our unified endeavor of future development.

Tongji University is one of the leading universities in China,

As a "Double First-Class"
University, is accelerating the process of constructing a world-class university. While

emphasizing on core-discipline enhancement such as Civil Engineering, Architecture, Urban Planning, Landscape Architecture, Environmental Science and Engineering, Transportation Engineering, Surveying and Mapping Science and Technology, it is also focusing on developing new or interdisciplinary disciplines such as Artificial Intelligence, Life Science, Translational Medicine, Marine Science, Innovative Design and Sustainable Development. Tongji University welcomes outstanding talents from all over the world to join us to jointly develop high-level knowledge innovation and cultivate topnotch innovative elites.

Over the course of the past 113 years, Jinan University, known as "the top university for overseas Chinese", has aimed to become a preeminent Chinese university with an international impact. We make talent a strategic priority and launch a series of talent-ori-

ented initiatives to seek a sustainable development at provincial, national, and international levels. While recognizing the

importance of nurturing talent within the institution, we are proactive in optimizing the use of the educational resources at Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, identifying any opportunity to recruit people, and moving forward on our strategic institutional constructions as a prestigious Chinese university with worldclass academic disciplines. We welcome all talents. We are here to provide competitive remunerations and exciting possibilities for all talented individuals for professional development.

Truly vibrant, dynamic and inspirational, Zhongnan University of Economics and Law is an ideal place of your pursuit

> of excellence in learning, teaching and research. We have never forgotten our mission of cultivating bright young minds,

and have firmly adhered to our notion of "running a firstclass institution of education with eminent characteristics". Our idea of "learning for application, and researching for innovation" has opened up a development-friendly system of interdisciplinary coordination among economics, management, law and political studies. In the fierce competition of "the Double First-class Project", talented staff members are our significant strategic resources, and we have successively carried out "Thriving Plan", "Excelling Plan" and "Wenlan Plan", recruiting influential scholars and researchers worldwide.

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Jiangsu University of Science and Technology (JUST) is an engineering-oriented

higher education institute with distinctive characteristics, provides both undergraduate and graduate education. It is characterized by "shipbuilding industry, marine science and sericulture and aimed at building a firstclass shipbuilding university in China. We are now sincerely extending our invitations to highly competitive talents from both home and abroad with favorable terms so as to build a brighter future for the university.

Keeping up with the times and adhering to its motto of "Sincerity & Credibility, Pragmatism & Innovation", we are building

a high quality university on the innovative path of developing disciplines of "technology +

business" and "new engineering + new business". "The view is broad with a flat tide and it's fit to sail with a positive wind." The prosperous university earnestly welcomes scholars from all over the world.

Founded in 1917, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFE) boasts a long history of over a century in China. It has been devoted to cultivat-

> ing outstanding talents and building a first-rate university with unique features in finance and economics. We sincerely

welcome excellent talents in economics, management, statistics, mathematics, computer and relating fields to join SUFE and work with us to strive for the Double First-Class university.

Adheres to the development strategy of openness, collaboration and characteristics.

It intends to establish a harmonious multi-disciplinary system with atmospheric science, environmental ecology and meteorological information

Welcomes talents from all over the world to our warm and reliable NUIST!

technology as its features.

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Focusing on the"Double First Class"initiative, Guizhou Medical University(GMU)starts the "PUMC program" joining hands with Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences and Peking Union Medical College(PUMC), adopts the world's most advanced concept in medical education,

and implements the "PUMC Seed" program, aiming to turn the students into outstanding and top medical talents with international perspective and top medical elites who think big in the health sector of Guizhou province. We sincerely welcome overseas brains, experts, and scholars to visit Guizhou Medical University for academic exchange, and invite you to join the teaching and research teams of GMU and work with us to advance the "Double First-class" initiative in GMU.

Southern Medical University

Founded in 1951, Southern Medical University (SMU) is the only university jointly sponsored by Ministry of Education, National Health Commission and Guang-

> dong Provincial Government. It is one of the pioneer universities in China first launching the eight-year M.D. program.

With the implementation of the newly initiated 2019 Talents Recruitment Program, SMU is now seeking outstanding scholars and young talents from all over the world to join us. We aim to create and sustain an innovative academic and research platform that will attract and gather scholars of the highest attainments and potential to start a new and exciting career and to achieve a higher level of academic success in the Great Bay Area.

South-Central University for Nationalities (SCUN) takes "High quality, Characteristic disciplines, Talent Competitiveness and Ethnic Distinctiveness" as its guiding principles. In the fierce competition of "the Double First-class Project", chemistry ranks top 1% globally in accordance with Essential

Science Indicator and ethnology

ranks the third nationally in the

fourth round of discipline We will continuously gather the consensus that "Talent is the First

Resource", further promote the construction of "Double First-class" and deepen the comprehensive reform of higher education, accelerate the pace of construction of "distinctive, first-class and internationally renowned high-level national universities", and realize the pursuit of common value of higher education.

Superb talents support top-grade universities. Therefore, Jiangsu Normal University consistently insists on the principle of "Talents Oriented", gives full play to

the work related to talented personnel in building world-class universities and disciplines, and comprehensively ad-

vances the strategy of establishing a powerful university of talents. At present, JSNU has enjoyed a scientific and exact system of talent introducing, personal development, aiming at providing service for talents precisely and effectively. We sincerely welcome international top-notch talents!

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