



Southwestern University of Finance and Economics Chengdu, China

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is a national key university under direct administration of the Ministry of Education and is listed in both “Project 211” and “985 Innovative Platforms for Key Disciplines Project” of the Chinese government as part of the national endeavor to build world-class universities in the 21st century. It is also selected as one of the trial spots for nation-wide educational reform. Located in the city of Chengdu, SWUFE now has two campuses, the Guanghua Campus and the Liulin Campus. With an overall area of about 380 acres (or 2300 Chinese Mu), SWUFE is also known for its picturesque campus scenery. It was originally founded as the Shanghai Guanghua University in 1925. Since the founding, SWUFE has become favorably known as “China’s financial talent pool”.



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<http://www.csc.edu.cn/studyinchina/programsearchen.aspx>



The Country

Peoples Republic of China is the most populous country in the world with a population of over 1.3 billion and the second largest country by land area covering approximately 9,6 million kilometers. It exercises jurisdiction over twenty two provinces, 5 autonomous regions, 4 direct-controlled municipalities and 2 mostly self-governing special administrative regions (Hong Kong and Macau). It is situated in the eastern Asia. China is also one of the world fastest growing major economies. As of 2013 it is the world's second largest economy by both nominal total GDP and purchasing power parity. As a world and especially regional power,

People's Republic of China has been characterized as a potential superpower by numerous commentators.

The City

[Chengdu](#) is the capital of Sichuan province in Southwest China and a major city in Western China. It holds sub-provincial administrative status. The urban area houses 14,047,625 inhabitants: 7,123,697 within the municipality's nine districts and 6,730,749 in the surrounding. Chengdu is the fourth most populous city in mainland China, and most populous among prefecture-level cities as well. It is one of the most important economic, transportation, and communication centers in Western China. According to the 2007 Public Appraisal for Best Chinese Cities for Investment, Chengdu was chosen as one of the top ten cities to invest in out of a total of 280 urban centers in China. In 2006, it was named China's 4th-most livable city by China Daily.



Student Life

Most of [Chengdu's bars](#) and pubs are concentrated around Renmin South Road or West Yangshi Street, where you can have some fun in the evening. The best places to enjoy Sichuan opera may be the Chengdu Theater and the Jin Jiang Theater in the Sichuan Opera Art Center. If you're looking for a relaxation, you should visit local teahouses in Chengdu that have formed an integral part of the city's life and culture for centuries.

Estimated Expenses

Rough Expense Comparison	Expenses at ZSEM	Expenses at SWUFE
Health Insurance	---	104 EUR
Airfare	---	1112 EUR
Housing/Utilities*	287 EUR	59 EUR
Internet/cable*	28 EUR	3 EUR
Food*	177 EUR	164 EUR
Books	Included	Depends
Transportation*	16 EUR	6 EUR
Visa	---	47 EUR

*per month

http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/city_result.jsp?country=China&city=Chengdu

Accommodation

Located in Chengdu, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics is consisted of two campuses, one is Guanghua Campus, and the other is Liulin Campus. Students can choose to live [on-campus](#) or off-campus. The overseas students building in SWUFE [Guanghua Campus](#) is equipped with 52 twin-bed rooms and 28 single-bed rooms, altogether 132 beds. Each room has bed, desk, chair, wardrobe, independent bathroom with 24-hour hot water, TV, air-conditioner and internet access. Limited numbers of refrigerators are for rental. There are public kitchen and laundry on the 2nd and 3rd floor.

Travel Opportunities

One of the [most pleasant areas](#) of China to explore randomly, eastern Sichuan is focused around Chengdu, the relaxed provincial capital. Famed not least for its cuisine, the city offers a number of easy excursions to nearby sights. Set on the western side of the Red Basin, Chengdu is a determinedly modern city, full of traffic, high-rise department stores and residential blocks. But it's also a cheerful place: seasonal floral displays and ubiquitous ginkgo trees lend color to its many excellent parks, rubbish is scrupulously collected, and the population is also nicely laidback, enjoying its teahouse culture at every opportunity and unfazed by this being interpreted as laziness by other Chinese. You can make day-trips out to the picturesque Qing-dynasty market town Huanglongxi or organize a flight or train trip to Tibet.



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