

## Exchange Report

Tsinghua University, Beijing

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### University Introduction:

Most national and international university rankings place Tsinghua amongst the best universities in mainland China. Admission to Tsinghua is extremely competitive. Every year, many applicants scoring the highest in the National College Entrance Exams choose Tsinghua. According to a report in 2008, 215 out of 300 students who scored the top 10 in the 30 tested provinces and regions chose Tsinghua and 21 out of the 30 top scorers in each province and region chose the university. A majority of selected students are among the brightest high school graduates in the country.

Course Taken: FINA 3080, ACCT4111, UGEA2130, ELTU3110, MGNT4010, MKTG2010

Visa: no visa required for Hong Kong Student. Passport is not needed travelling in any province in China but “Home Visa Permit” (回鄉証)

Accommodation: Accommodation is provided with a fee RMB1000(There is a refund). The hostel is inside campus which is built for local students. Hong Kong exchange students are arranged to live together with Taiwan and Macau students, some maybe with locals. The hostel is an apartment with 4 beds. Hostel has no bathroom and you have to go to public bathroom). Air conditioner(extra fees) and heater provided. Cooking is not allowed in hostel.

Weather: The weather is cold in winter. There may be snow from December to February with Temperature around 0°C. It is cool from March to June and temperature is around 20°C. Rain is frequent in summer. The daily range of temperature is quite large which can be 10°C.

Local travel: Local travel is very convenient by metro or bus. The metro system in Beijing is much more complicated than that of Hong Kong. Travel in campus is by bike and it is common for every student, both local and exchange, to have their own bike.

### Suggestion:

Since Beijing is located in the central of the mainland china, you could go where u want. Most of the Hong Kong students will choose to go to Harbin in February for its beautiful ice sculpture festival. The duration of the festival varies every year as the

weather is one of the main factor of the variation. The school will also arrange a school tour to other places for exchange students, so make sure you won't travel to the same place twice. The transport is usually the railway linking different cities because the air ticket maybe too expensive for students. The school will give you a refund of about \$7000 for daily expenses. Meal in China is also very cheap and usually you will only spend \$5 for a lunch in the school canteen. Don't bring any masks from Hong Kong as the locals use masks different from those made in Hong Kong. You could buy one there and it will only cost you about \$10 for a reusable mask. Be careful that the passing grades of all subjects are 60%. You must meet the requirement or you will be in a big trouble. Quite common that a class with all students fail, so please investigate before you register the class.