Application Guide for IDE Master's Degree Program 2021, Zhejiang University

INTRODUCTION

The UN Technology Bank for the Least Developed Countries, the World Eco-Design Conference (WEDC) and the International School of Design at Zhejiang University, Ningbo (ISD-ZJU Ningbo), China jointly signed the agreement on cooperation and promotion of the implementation of International Design Education (IDE) program. Industrial design offers great potential for least developed countries (LDCs) as a driver of innovation, problem-solving and economic growth.

Zhejiang University is ranked among China's leading Universities for both the quantity and quality of its master's degree programs. Several hundred academic majors are established in colleges and departments affiliated to seven faculties of science, engineering, agriculture, medicine, information technology, humanities and social sciences. **Zhejiang University, Ningbo** was jointly built by Zhejiang University and the Ningbo Municipal People's Government on August 1st, 2018. As a directly affiliated institution of ZJU, Zhejiang University, Ningbo strives to create a high-level, research-oriented, international campus that integrates research and technology transfer, relying on Zhejiang University's high-quality educational resources.

The International Design Education Program (IDE) is developed for the world's least developed countries. The program will be facilitated by **the International School of Design, Zhejiang University, Ningbo (ISD-ZJU NINGBO)**, that will provide master education and research on industrial design with the cooperation of the School of Software Technology, ZJU. The IDE is also an incubator for bridging innovation and entrepreneurship by transforming exceptional projects and research into start-ups and supporting them to innovate and grow by providing business support resources and services, resulting in closer access to manufacturing and business.

The IDE program is completed in two and a half academic years, offered in English and located in **Zhejiang University**, **Ningbo**. Graduates fulfilling all the degree requirements will be awarded the master's degree of Industrial Design Engineering, Zhejiang University. This program provides applicants from LDCs with full scholarship covering full tuition fee, on-campus accommodation expenses, comprehensive medical insurance, admission fee and monthly stipend; Partial scholarship covering full tuition fee, comprehensive medical insurance, admission fee and monthly stipend.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must be citizens of UN Least Developed Countries. Please refer to the UN website for a full list;
- Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens with proper moral conduct;
- Have a bachelor's degree (Applicant who has not obtained the degree certificate when applying shall provide the pre-graduation certificate first, then provide the academic degree certificates no later than registration);
- Must be under the age of 35 (Age limit is flexible for healthy applicants with certain work experience and high academic ability);
- In good health with no infectious disease or any physical or mental diseases that may affect the normal study.

The applicant who has given up their original Chinese citizenship and becomes foreign citizens shall

provide the documents certifying the cancellation of Chinese nationality, according to the policy of Ministry of Education of the PRC.

If the applicant has acquired foreign citizenship automatically at the time of birth in a foreign country, whose parents are both Chinese citizens, or one of the parents is a Chinese citizen, the review of application will be implemented according to the No.210 [2008] Article issued by Exit-Entry Administration Office, Provincial Public Security Bureau, Zhejiang Province (please refer to http://iczu.zju.edu.cn/attachments/file/20201110/20201110061837 79241.docx).

Language proficiency requirements:

There are no Chinese language proficiency requirements for the applicants of English-taught programs, but they (except for native English speakers) must have an internet-based TOEFL test score 90 or IELTS test score 6.5 (or above). Only accept tests taken within the last 2 years.

TOEFL DI Code of Zhejiang University is C340. TOEFL MyBest score is accepted.

DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICATION

Applicants shall complete online registration and log into the Application & Admissions System for International Student of Zhejiang University (http://isinfosys.zju.edu.cn/recruit/login.shtml), and select School of Software Technology as First Preference College and Industrial Design Engineering (Professional) (English-taught) as First Preference Major to indicate the application for IDE master's program. All the necessary application documents must be submitted strictly as required.

In addition to the online submission, applicants must also send the application forms (Admission Application Form and Zhejiang University Scholarship Application Form) and all the relevant materials to Zhejiang University, Ningbo in **ZIP** or **RAR** file via email:nbxq010@zju.edu.cn.

Applicants must clearly fill in the application form and completely submit the following materials as required.

Incomplete application materials will **NOT** be processed. Additional documents may be required when necessary.

Please note: There is NO need for the delivery of hard copies of the application materials. Hard copies of the application materials will NOT be reviewed and further processed. All the required materials should be scanned copies of original documents and packaged into a ZIP or RAR file. The scanned copies should be clear, in colour and complete. Please name all materials files in the order of the following request.

- 1. Admission Application Form of Zhejiang University, pasted with a recent ID photo (white background, 35mm×45mmin size).
- 2. Zhejiang University Scholarship Application Form

Applicants shall fill in the application forms in the online application system, print them out, sign their name, scan and upload the application forms via the online application system.

Please note: During the online application, applicants must select Zhejiang University Scholarship to indicate the application of IDE master's program scholarship.

- 3. A scanned copy of passport biopage. (PDF/JPG format)
- 4. Highest degree certificates, which must be scanned copies of original documents or notarized copies. If applicants are university students, they shall provide an official pre-graduation certificate showing their student status and the expected graduation date.

Documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with notarized translations in Chinese or English. (PDF format)

- 5. Bachelor's degree Academic transcripts, which must be scanned copies of original documents or notarized copies. Documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with notarized translations in Chinese or English. (PDF format)
- 6. Scanned copies of language (Chinese or English) proficiency certificates. (Not required for native English speakers) (PDF format)
- 7. Personal statement, in Chinese or English, should include study or work experience, reasons for application and study proposal. No less than 1500 words. (PDF format)
- 8. Two letters of recommendation from full Professors or Associate Professors, in Chinese or English. (Professors' signature, contact phone number, and email address must be put on the letter) (PDF format)
- 9. Published academic papers or other academic achievements. (If any) (PDF format)
- 10. Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide GRE, NTS-GAT test score.
- 11. Applicant who has given up their original Chinese citizenship and become foreign citizens shall provide the documents certifying the cancellation of Chinese nationality, according to the policy of Ministry of Education of the PRC. (PDF format)
- 12. If the applicant has acquired foreign citizenship automatically at the time of birth in a foreign country, whose parents are both Chinese citizens, or one of the parents is a Chinese citizen, please provide
- [1] Documents certifying acquiring foreign citizenship at the time of birth;
- [2] Documents certifying parent's (with Chinese citizenship) permanent residence in a foreign country before the birth of applicants.

Note: Documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with notarized translations in Chinese or English. (PDF format)

APPLICATION DEADLINE

From now on to May 7, 2021.

Please make sure to complete the application before the deadline.

SELECTION PROCESS AND DATES FOR ANNOUNCING ADMISSION RESULTS

The university enrollment will be made on competitive selection according to the students' academic performance, personal study plan, etc. After the applicant completes the application form and submits all the required application materials, first-round of reviews will be arranged with the academic departments or colleges' to assess the application against the requirements. University authorities will have a second-round of review after an initial review made by departments and colleges.

Time of announcing the admission results: Admission Notice, Visa Application Forms, with other relevant documents will be sent out from mid-July, 2021.

Applicants will be informed about their application results via email.

FEES

13. Admission Fee: RMB 800 yuan14. Tuition: RMB 36,800 yuan /Year

15. Medical Insurance Fee: RMB 800 yuan /Year

16. On-campus Accommodation Fee: to be confirmed

MEDICAL INSURANCE

According to the Ministry of Education regulations, international students who come to our school to study for one semester or longer must purchase comprehensive medical insurance in mainland of China as a necessary requirement for their registration for the new semester.

The university will NOT register students who fail to purchase comprehensive medical insurance which meets certain requirements.

Information related to purchasing insurance will be notified in detail before registration. The admitted students should handle insurance affairs strictly according to the instructions on the notice.

Note: This insurance can NOT cover the medical treatment expense for physical or mental diseases which students suffered before coming to China.

SCHOLARSHIP

The program will provide two types of scholarships to students enrolled from LDC.

17. Coverage of the Full Scholarship

Full tuition waiver;

Free on-campus accommodation;

Comprehensive Medical Insurance;

Admission fee waiver;

Monthly stipend: 1700 yuan monthly;

18. Coverage of the Partial Scholarship

Full tuition waiver;

Comprehensive Medical Insurance;

Admission fee waiver;

Monthly stipend: 1700 yuan monthly.

Eligible students will apply for the scholarship together with his/her program application. During the process of online application, please choose **Zhejiang University Scholarship** to indicate the application of IDE master's program scholarship. The application of scholarship will be reviewed and announced in mid-July, 2021. Results will be notified via email.

REGISTRATION

19. Admitted applicants should strictly follow the register time in the admission notice. Admitted applicants are required to provide the original copies of academic degree certificates; those who fail to provide the original copies will be disqualified for the enrollment.

20. Master's degree programs at Zhejiang University usually start at the end of August or early September every year. For exact registration dates, please refer to the Admission Notice.

ACCOMMODATION

After the registration within the specified time, new students will be assigned to dormitories according to the arrangements of Zhejiang University, Ningbo. The accommodation details will be in Admission Notice.

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PRIVACY STATEMENT

Zhejiang University respects the privacy of anyone who interacts with us and is committed to protecting and managing personal and health information fairly and lawfully in compliance with the Personal Information Protection Law. The University will process the information for various reasons to carry out our academic and other administrative functions. We aim to be as transparent as possible about how we use personal information and only collect and retain the minimum amount of data possible and keep it securely.

About UN Technology Bank

The United Nations Technology Bank for Least Developed Countries is a global organization dedicated to enhancing the contribution of science, technology and innovation for sustainable development in the world's least developed countries. The UNTBLDC supports national and regional technological efforts, reinforces partnerships across sectors and helps nations identify and use appropriate technologies to transform their economies and improve livelihoods.

About World Eco-Design Conference

The WEDC is an industrial, academic and world-wide non-profit social organization, which aims to promote the integration and sustainable development of design, ecology and society on a global scale, by strengthening exchanges and cooperation on ecological design among countries and regions.

Ningbo, Hangzhou, Shanghai's Locations in China

