



Study Abroad Company

Guangzhou University

History

Guangzhou University (traditional Chinese: 廣州大學, simplified Chinese: 广州大学) was founded in 2000, when Guangzhou Normal University, the South China Institute of Construction, Guangzhou University, Guangzhou Junior Teachers' College, and the Guangzhou Institute of Education were combined into one institution.

Even though the university was founded only 9 years ago, GU has a history of over 50 years and it was given the power to grant degrees in 1984. Since then, GU has produced many talented graduates, who have helped improve both the Guangdong region and the whole country. Guangzhou University hopes to become one of the most important universities of the region and be a modern and innovative institution, producing hardworking graduates who will make notable contributions to society by helping to improve the province's economy and lead scientific and technological development



Founded: 2000
Students: 20,000
Staff: 2,600
Campuses: Guangyuan, Longdong, Guihuagang, Luhu, and Qiyi Lu
Control: Public University
President: Professor YU Jian-she
CPC Secretary: Mr. Chen

Campuses



The main campus of Guangzhou University is located in Guangzhou (Canton), China in the Guangdong Province. The university has a total of five campuses located in Guangyuan, Guihuagang, Luhu, Qiyi Lu and Longdong.

The main campus is located near Guangzhou Sculpture Park and Luhu Park in the University Mega Center, which is home to ten different institutions of higher education. The Mega Center is located on the island of Xiaogubei. There are good traffic connections to and from the campus to the Guangzhou city center. The university is currently building a new campus, which will be a total of 1.32 km² in size.

The university offers on-campus housing and the campus area has a wide variety of facilities from cafeterias to sports facilities. There are basketball, tennis and volleyball courts, soccer fields and ping pong tables. Most of the sports are free, although students may be required to supply their own sports equipment. The university has many free time activities for students to take part in and the university has won many prizes both in singing competitions and in sports.

The campus also has a large shopping center and several bookstores, where students can buy clothes, food, household supplies and books. The campus has the area's largest library with over 1,960,000 books. The library also has computer labs.

Academics



The university has approximately 20,000 students and it offers mainly undergraduate study programs in many fields of study e.g. Economics, Law, Education, Humanities, Journalism, Mathematics, Art and Design, Biology, Civil Engineering, Architecture, Tourism and Environmental Science. GU also offers postgraduate studies e.g.

in Literature, Science, Engineering, Economics, Management, Law, Education and History. The university is constantly expanding its postgraduate programs and developing its vocational and technical higher education.

Guangzhou is located in southern China and the local language is Cantonese. Cantonese differs from Mandarin, which is spoken in the North, because the amount of tones is different. Most of the teaching at the university is conducted in Cantonese, except for the study program held in English, which is described on the AE website under the GU study program.

The University has a total of 57 research institutes specializing in a wide range of fields including Educational Software, Earthquake Engineering, Educational Sciences and Advanced Manufacturing Technology. The staff is highly qualified and includes e.g. 130 full-time professors and 567 part-time professors, 100 of whom have a Ph.D. There are also 14 provincial and municipal level experts, who have been awarded the title of 'State Level Young and Middle-aged Experts of Extraordinary Achievements'.



At the moment, the majority of students studying at GU come from the Guangdong Province, but the university has many partner universities all over the world, e.g. in the U.S, Australia and Europe, and it welcomes international students, who wish to study Chinese and complete a degree at GU.

Mission

Guangzhou University strives to be one of the leading research and teaching institutions in China, known for its unique characteristics. The university is committed to helping develop the Guangdong Province, China and the rest of the world with its numerous research projects.



Logo



The Guangzhou University logo has been derived from the letters G and U, which stand for Guangzhou University. The initials are written in the traditional Chinese rapid cursive style, to represent the local characteristics of Guangzhou and the university. The image represents dynamism, strength and vibrancy. The lower half of the logo resembles the kapok, the symbolic flower of Guangzhou and the shape of the logo as a whole brings to mind a torch.



President

President YU Jian-she is a professor and a doctor and supervises doctoral students. He belongs to the National Teaching Guidance Committee and has received the following awards: 'Model Worker of the National Educational Circles' and 'Young and Middle-aged Experts of Exceptional Academic Achievement'. Mr. YU also performs research in the fields of Functional Equations and Difference Equation.