Welcome to the University of Waikato China Learning Centre located at Hainan University. We are delighted that you have decided to study at the University of Waikato.

Due to the global pandemic, New Zealand has closed its borders to all non-residents; therefore, the Centre has been established to allow you to study with Waikato while in China. Our China Learning Centre will provide you with an opportunity to have an on-campus experience along with high-quality teaching. I hope to welcome you to campus at some stage in the future.

We are proud to provide teaching and research of international standing across every one of the diverse academic programmes offered by the University. We place great emphasis on providing a high quality, flexible learning environment for all students that is responsive to your needs if circumstances change.

University of Waikato graduates are known for making a difference in the world around them and we look forward to helping you do the same as you embark on your learning and career goals with us.

Alister Jones
Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor
The University of Waikato
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THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO CHINA LEARNING CENTRE

The University of Waikato is dedicated to providing a high-quality student experience; therefore, we have developed this programme in collaboration with our valued teaching partner, Hainan University (HNU). At our China Learning Centre, you will be taught by University of Waikato academics. There will be additional academic support from HNU academics. This may include: feedback on assessments, providing English language support and conducting advice sessions on referencing and plagiarism etc. The programme will be delivered in English and is only available to Chinese students living in China.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many students have been unable to begin or continue their University of Waikato study plan on-campus in New Zealand due to border entry and visa restrictions. Our China Learning Centre (CLC) at HNU will allow students to start or continue their studies online in China while New Zealand border and visa restrictions remain in place.

For more information about our CLC, please visit our websites:

**English:** [waikato.ac.nz/international/china-learning-centre](http://waikato.ac.nz/international/china-learning-centre)

**Chinese:** [waikatouni.cn](http://waikatouni.cn)

When New Zealand’s border restrictions are lifted, the University of Waikato will assist students (who obtain a student visa) to enter New Zealand. For more details about student visas, please visit the Immigration New Zealand website:

[immigration.govt.nz/](http://immigration.govt.nz/)

Please note as an international student studying outside of New Zealand, you do not need to hold a student visa to study at our CLC.
THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

The University of Waikato (Waikato) holds a special place in the New Zealand university system. Since its inception in 1964, the University has shown a commitment to innovation and to serving the needs of its community.

The University of Waikato has a strong reputation for delivering offshore programmes. Waikato was the first university in New Zealand to offer a joint programme in Malaysia in 1996; the first New Zealand joint programme in China in 1997 and the first Institute in China in 2017.

The University has an outstanding record in applied research, successfully generating commercial and industry-linked research funding. This has been achieved through a high level of engagement with the application of academic knowledge to the solution of practical, real-world problems. The University is proud to be in the top third of universities in the world in the latest QS World University Rankings.
HAINAN UNIVERSITY

Hainan University (HNU) is a comprehensive university formed by a merger with the former South China University of Tropical Agriculture in August 2007. It is jointly administered by the Ministry of Education and the Hainan Provincial People’s Government.

The University has made significant achievements by adhering to the motto of “openness and inclusiveness” and the spirit of “self-improvement, dedication, kindness and perseverance”. In December 2008, HNU was approved by the state as a key university under the 211 Project. In 2012, it was included in the Plan of Strengthening Higher Education in Middle and Western China and was successively supported by the National Basic Ability Construction Project of Western and Central China and the National Comprehensive Strength Enhancement Project of Western and Central China. In 2017, HNU was listed in the national plan for establishing world-class disciplines. In 2018, the Hainan provincial Party Committee and provincial government made a strategic decision to fully sponsor the development of Hainan University. In the same year, the University came under the joint administration of the Ministry of Education and the Hainan Provincial People’s Government, and was included among universities directly administered by the Ministry of Education.
ORIENTATION

Students will receive a full programme orientation. The orientation will cover teaching, facilities and other support services. It will give you a clear picture of what to expect from the programme.

Online Orientation

You will be provided with an online orientation by University of Waikato advisors. This orientation will help you prepare to start your studies.

The advisors will:
• Introduce you to University services, e-tools and resources;
• Explain University expectations and academic culture;
• Allow you to practise using some of the key features of Moodle, and
• Help you adjust to studying online and in English at the University of Waikato.

Our digital orientation programmes have the necessary information that students need to start their programme successfully. A number of video resources are available (which can be viewed via YouKu).

For more information, please visit: waikato.ac.nz/go/orientation

Online orientation will be conducted on Thursday 3 March 2022 at 3:00 PM (New Zealand time)/10:00 (Beijing time). The further details will be shared with you via email.

Face-to-face Orientation

In addition to online orientation by the University of Waikato advisers, you will be provided face-to-face orientation by Hainan University advisers. The orientation will cover the areas associated with academic and non-academic support, campus and medical facilities, and other support services. The orientation will also cover and student activities and other events throughout the semester(s) to allow students to gain a full campus experience at HNU.

Face-to-face orientation will be conducted before the start of programme on Monday 7 March 2022. Further details will be emailed to you closer to the event.

Arriving on-campus

You are required to complete the registration/admission process at HNU before Monday 7th March 2022. The details related the documents required, QR code of WeChat group and other information will be sent to you via email.

Classes will begin in the week starting Monday 7 March 2022.
**MOODLE**

Moodle is the primary online learning environment at the University of Waikato. It connects lecturers and students together to work on a range of online teaching and learning activities. Moodle training and ongoing support will be provided.

There are a number of benefits of using Moodle including:

- Accessing teaching material and course information;
- Downloading course material;
- Checking details of assessments including instructions, marking guide and due dates;
- Completing online tests;
- Contacting your lecturers and tutors;
- Checking announcements; and
- Viewing grades.

[waikato.ac.nz/go/moodle](waikato.ac.nz/go/moodle)

**MYWAIKATO**

MyWaikato is a mobile-friendly system for managing your enrolments, enquiries, timetable, final grades, research progress, graduation, academic record and much more.

**What can you do in MyWaikato?**

MyWaikato is designed to support you during your entire University journey from application right through to graduation.

Here are some of the things you can do in MyWaikato:

- Enrol to study, choose papers, or change your enrolment;
- View your University account balance and pay your fees;
- View your timetable (lectures only);
- View your final grades;
- Update your personal and contact details;
- Request a copy of your Academic Record;
- Submit your research progress reports (higher degree students only);
- Apply to graduate (students near the end of their qualification only); and
- Access MyWaikato Enquiries to ask a question or browse FAQs.

**Setting up your MyWaikato login**

Once you have applied to study and accepted your Offer of Place, you will receive an email with your username. Your username will be a combination of letters and numbers.

For more information about setting up MyWaikato, please visit: [waikato.ac.nz/ict-self-help/apps/mywaikato](waikato.ac.nz/ict-self-help/apps/mywaikato)
STUDENT FACILITIES

Students will have access to a number of facilities provided by HNU, including the university library, gym, sports facilities, accommodation and the student food outlets.

Dormitory

There are two types of dormitory rooms available at HNU: one-bed rooms and twin-bed rooms. The cost for single room is RMB 3200 per semester while cost for twin-bed room is RMB 2200 per semester.

Each dormitory has balcony, water heater, air conditioning and necessary furniture. Each room has one bathroom. If a student opts for single room, they will have a separate bathroom but if a student opts for twin-room, then student has to share bathroom. Dormitories are maintained by the staff members of HNU. In addition, drinking water laundry, automatic vending machine are available in the building for students.

Accommodation needs to be booked and payment needs to be made at least one week before the start of the programme. Payment for accommodation needs be paid directly to HNU. The contract and information related to payment process will be sent to you via email.

Teaching Rooms

The University has modern classrooms to meet the teaching requirements. The classrooms can accommodate up to 200 students. Each classroom is equipped with advanced multimedia technology, WIFI, modern audio and video facilities, and air-conditioning. The classrooms are located on 5th floor of teaching
building and are open for 24 hours.

Canteens/Food Outlets
There are seven canteens in the university that provide high quality food. The cost a meal ranges from 10 RMB to 20 RMB. You will be provided student cards which are multifunctional. You can make payment for the meals from your student card.

Library
There are a number of reading rooms in the library for students. The library has more than 60 Chinese and foreign language databases, including more than 2 million e-books.

Sports Facilities
The University has two large stadiums for a number of sports including basketball, football, tennis, beach volleyball and badminton.

WIFI Network & IT Support
WIFI is available for students at the campus. Students will need to get an account at the beginning of the semester and pay based on the actual usage.

Health Facilities
The University has also its own hospital that provides healthcare services to students and staff members. In addition, there are large hospitals around the University.
STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students will have an opportunity to study online while enjoying an on-campus experience with their peers at HNU.

Student adviser at HNU will provide counselling on educational issues and personal development. Students will also have opportunity to get involved in student clubs and social activities.

Student Buddy Programme

There will be two kinds of student buddy programmes for Waikato students:

- A student buddy activity will be coordinated by HNU to pair Waikato CLC student(s) with a HNU student(s) to allow better integration of Waikato students into HNU campus life.

- A student buddy activity will be coordinated by the University of Waikato to pair Waikato CLC student(s) with the Waikato student(s) in our Hamilton or Tauranga campus. It will help Waikato CLC students to improve English and learn about life in New Zealand.

English Language Support

There will be an additional English language support for students from both the University of Waikato and Hainan University. The University of Waikato organises English language conversation groups that students will be able to join.

ONLINE RESOURCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

In addition to facilities at HNU, you will have access to online resources of the University of Waikato, including library and other learning resources. From the library and learning resources, you can access many electronic resources such as e-journal articles and e-books. You can access electronic resources anytime with your MyWaikato username and password.

Please refer to the following link for more information:

waikato.ac.nz/library/for/overseas#resources

STUDENT SUPPORT

Any questions? Reach out to HNU student support team on email address: 300096@hainanu.edu.cn or Waikato support team on email address: gowaikato@waikato.ac.nz. If you wish to know more about the University, the Waikato or Bay of Plenty regions or New Zealand more generally, visit our website at waikato.ac.nz.

We also have a dedicated International Student Support team at the University of Waikato. For more information about the services they provide, please visit:

waikato.ac.nz/go.international-support
REGULATIONS AND POLICIES

Students attending courses at the China Learning Centre will be enrolled with the University of Waikato; therefore, students will be subject to Waikato’s policies and regulations. All the matters including complaints will be dealt according to regulations and policies of the University of Waikato.

For more information on regulations of the University of Waikato, please visit:

calendar.waikato.ac.nz/

Given students will study on-campus at Hainan University, they will also be subject to HNU’s code of conduct.

For more information on regulations of Hainan University, please visit:

hd.hainanu.edu.cn/gjjy/info/1235/3205.htm

CHANGE OF ENROLMENT REGULATIONS

If you want to change your enrolment, add or substitute paper(s), please visit the following link for the guidelines and timeframe.

calendar.waikato.ac.nz/admission/change-of-enrolment

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO KEY DATES

Key university dates for the academic year include trimester dates, public holidays and University holidays.

For more information about key dates, please visit:

https://www.waikato.ac.nz/study/key-university-dates

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INFORMATION ABOUT NEW ZEALAND

When New Zealand’s border restrictions are lifted, the University of Waikato will assist students (who obtain a student visa) to enter New Zealand. The following information will be helpful when you come to New Zealand.

New Zealand is located approximately 1,500km east of Australia and about 1,000km from the Pacific Islands. The country is made up of some of the world’s most spectacular landscapes, from vast mountain ranges, steaming volcanoes to sweeping coastlines.

Māori Culture in New Zealand

Māori are the tangata whenua (the indigenous people) of New Zealand. They came to New Zealand more than 1000 years ago from Hawaiki. Their history, language and traditions are central to New Zealand’s identity. Māori culture is an integral part of Kiwi life and adds a unique and dynamic experience for visitors.

Driving in New Zealand

You can legally drive in New Zealand for up to 12 months if you have either a current driver’s licence from your home country or an International Driving Permit (IDP). After 12 months, you are required to convert to a New Zealand licence. Make sure your driver’s licence is current. If your licence is not in English, you must bring an English translation with you. A translation of your overseas licence or permit can be issued by:

- The New Zealand Translation Service, or
- A diplomatic representative at a high commission, embassy or consulate, or the authority that issued your overseas licence (an international driving permit may be acceptable as a translation).

The common legal age to rent a car in New Zealand is 21 years.

New Zealanders drive on the left-hand side of the road. Drivers give way (or yield) to all traffic crossing or approaching from the right. For more information, please visit nzta.govt.nz/resources/roadcode/
Money Matters

New Zealand’s unit of currency is the New Zealand dollar (NZ$). Coins have values of 10, 20 and 50 cents and $1 and $2. Notes have values of $5, $10, $20, $50 and $100. There is no restriction on the amount of foreign currency that can be brought in or taken out of New Zealand. However, every person who carries more than NZ$10,000 in cash in or out of New Zealand is required to complete a Border Cash Report. Foreign currency can easily be exchanged at banks, New Zealand Post shops, some hotels and bureau de change kiosks, which are found at international airports and most city centres. All major credit cards can be used in New Zealand.

Hamilton and Tauranga City

Hamilton is New Zealand’s fourth largest city. It is relaxed, safe, and caters for individuals and families. The Hamilton Campus is an all-in-one campus offering on-site student accommodation, gym, Olympic sized swimming pool, eco-friendly Student Centre and cafes; all situated on park like surroundings.

Tauranga is New Zealand’s fifth largest city and is bustling with cultural, sporting and recreational activities. The cosmopolitan city is well known for its blue skies, warm climate, beautiful beaches, stunning harbour and relaxed lifestyle.

The purpose-built campus is a multipurpose space where students, researchers, the community and industry can work together in the heart of the fastest growing region in New Zealand.