

2026 Inner Mongolia University of Science & Technology

International Summer School

"Picturesque China · Ecological Frontier"

(Aug. 14th-23rd, 2026)

I. Inner Mongolia: A Northern Ecological Shield and a Pioneer of Green Development

Located in northern China and spanning the country's northeast, north, and northwest, the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region is home to vast grasslands, forests, deserts, and wetlands. It serves as a vital ecological security barrier for northern China. In recent years, the region has consistently advanced the development of an ecological civilization, achieving remarkable progress in initiatives such as the restoration of the Kubuqi Desert, grassland conservation, renewable energy development, and the low-carbon transformation of traditional industries. It has become a key demonstration zone and a window showcasing China's pursuit of sustainable development.

II. Inner Mongolia University of Science & Technology: Rooted in the Northern Frontier and Committed to Openness & Integration

Founded in 1956 and located in Baotou, known as the "Steel City on the Grasslands," Inner Mongolia University of Science & Technology (hereafter referred as IMUST) is an engineering-focused multidisciplinary university, with coordinated programs in science, liberal arts, management, economics, law, and arts. It is particularly distinguished in fields such as metallurgy, mining, rare earths, and coal, and offers a full spectrum of undergraduate, master's, and doctoral programs. Adhering to an open approach in education, the university has forged partnerships with over 100 universities and institutions across more than 30 countries and regions worldwide.

III. Program Overview: "Picturesque China · Ecological Frontier"

This program, under the theme "Picturesque China·Ecological Frontier," leverages Inner Mongolia's distinctive natural environment and its initiatives in sustainable development will be held from **Aug. 14th-23rd, 2026 in Baotou, China**. It is designed to establish a high-level platform for immersive academic and cultural engagement, where global youth can deeply appreciate China's progress in building an ecological civilization. Through a mix of activities including academic lectures, field visits, cultural immersion, and youth dialogues, the program enables participants to understand the Chinese concept of harmonious coexistence between humanity and nature. They will gain first-hand insights into pioneering initiatives in areas such as desertification control, low-carbon industrial transition, and ecological restoration in Inner Mongolia, while also building bridges for cross-cultural exchange and lasting friendship.

Key Features:

- A rich and well-structured curriculum
- Diverse cultural exchange and immersion
- Comprehensive support from an experienced professional team

IV. Itinerary Plan

Day	Study Course	Main Content	Location
Day 1	Student Registration & Campus Tour	Registration & campus tour	Inner Mongolia University of Science & Technology (IMUST)
Day 2	Opening Ceremony	Opening ceremony	
	Understanding Contemporary China	Understanding how contemporary China has taken shape and evolved.	
Day 3	Exploring the Beauty of the Chinese Language	Mastering basic Chinese and exploring the cultural origins of Chinese characters.	
	Baotou: The Steel City on the Grasslands	Exploring how Baotou balances industrial growth with ecological protection, and tracing its cultural roots.	Baotou City Museum

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Day 4	A New Look for a Beautiful China	Interpreting China's national strategy, policies, and practical pathways for ecological civilization.	Baotou Nanhai Wetland Park
	Wetland Birdsong and the Melody of Nature	Visiting Nanhai Wetland Park to learn about ecosystem functions and conservation efforts.	
	Joining Hands to Protect the Blue Skies and Green Spaces	Open discussion among international youth on national environmental policies, innovations, and climate challenges.	
Day 5	The Greening of Ulansuhai Nur	Exploring the lake to see water purification and climate regulation, and witness its revival with clear waters and birds.	Bayannur Ulansuhai Nur Ecological Reserve
	Desert Oasis Engebei	Hands-on experience with sand stabilization technologies and learning how shifting sands were transformed into lush zones.	Ordos Engebei Ecological Reserve
Day 6	Ecological Exploration of Yili Health Valley	Witnessing the green management practices across the entire industrial chain.	Hohhot Yili Health Valley Industrial Park
	Mengcao Ecological Journey	Discovering domesticated native species and how technology empowers them to protect grasslands and prevent desertification.	Hohhot Mengcao Ecological Environment (Group) Co., Ltd.
	Exploring Grassland Ecology	Understanding grasslands as northern ecological barriers and contemplating global sustainable management.	
Day 7	Yellow River Ecology: New Ideas for Joint Governance	Analyzing the Yellow River Basin's challenges and solutions including national strategies and cross-regional collaboration.	Baotou Yellow River Wetland
	Ecological Protection and Cultural Heritage	Observing the Yellow River Basin's habitats and listening to stories of Yellow River culture.	

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Day 8	Ecological Restoration of Mining Wastelands	Discussing wasteland challenges and learning how abandoned pits are revitalized into parks and farmland.	IMUST
	Working Together to Build Baotou Steel	Interpreting a pivotal era of industrial construction and its green transition in the new era.	
Day 9	Urban Grassland: Saihantala	Strolling through the park to experience the remarkable coexistence of urban life and grasslands.	Baotou Saihantala Grassland
	Closing Ceremony	Closing ceremony	IMUST
Day 10	Departure	Departure	Baotou Railway Station

V. Program Application Requirements

1. Eligibility

The program is open to undergraduate, master's, and doctoral students (aged 18-30) enrolled in universities worldwide. Majors are not restricted. Applicants must possess strong English or Chinese communication skills and a keen interest in ecological conservation and cultural exchange.

2. Application Documents

Applicants are required to submit the following: Copy of passport information page, Curriculum Vitae (CV), proof of language proficiency, proof of enrollment (or student certificate), and health certificate.

3. Application Timeline

Please send all application materials via email to the designated address by June 10, 2026. Admission results will be announced via email in late June.

4. Program Fees & Scholarships

The host institution will cover the costs of tuition, field trips,

accommodation, group meals, and activity materials during the program. Participants are responsible for their own international travel expenses, visa fees, and insurance expenses. Partial travel subsidies are available for outstanding participants.

VI. Contact Information

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VII. Glimpses of Former Programs

