Art Students Internship Sponsored Program

Internship & Gap Year Opportunities in Jingdezhen, China

Create. Explore. Connect.

Welcome to Jingdezhen, China – the world-renowned Porcelain Capital. This sponsored residency program invites visual arts students from around the globe to spend a transformative 4–8 weeks immersed in ceramic arts, Chinese culture, and international artistic exchange.

Why Jingdezhen?

Known for its 1,000-year legacy in porcelain craftsmanship, Jingdezhen offers a vibrant and historically rich environment for aspiring ceramicists, painters, sculptors, and multimedia artists.

Hosted by ChineseSources.org, the program supports students in building artistic skills, creating new works, and participating in collaborative learning experiences.

Program Highlights

- Fully equipped shared studio (1,000 sqm)
- Glazing, firing, and exhibition space
- Shared accommodation in furnished apartments
- Basic materials and firing support
- Community events, artist talks, and cultural excursions

Art Disciplines Welcomed:

- Ceramics
- Painting (oil, watercolor, mixed media)
- Sculpture (clay, carving, etc.)
- Photography & New Media

Residency Duration & Fees

Residency Length: 4 to 8 weeks

Residency Period: January 1 – December 31, 2025

Fees:

- Residency Fee: Waived for selected applicants

- Food Supply: \$450 USD (fixed grocery & beverage cost per 4 weeks)

- Application Fee: \$98 USD (non-refundable)

Housing & Studio Facilities

- Shared apartments (3 rooms/unit) with kitchens
- Air-conditioned studios organized by medium
- Nearby amenities: markets, art supply stores, cafes

Eligibility & Requirements

- Age 18+ and currently enrolled or recently graduated from a visual arts program
- Specializations: ceramics, painting, sculpture, new media
- Good English communication
- Financial ability to cover airfare and personal needs
- Social media sharing of artwork encouraged
- Minimum funds: \$1,000 USD for life expenses

Application Process

Apply at least 2 months in advance with:

- Online application
- Resume + short bio
- Statement of purpose
- Portfolio (10 images/videos)
- 2 academic references
- Passport photo + scanned ID page
- Proof of student status
- Social media links
- \$98 USD application fee (non-refundable)

Daily Life in Jingdezhen

- Cook your meals with provided groceries or join cooking service (\$450/4 weeks)
- Walk, bike, or use low-cost taxis (~\$1 USD)
- Cultural and artist events, community exhibitions

Seasons:

Busy: April-August, October

Quiet: January-March, September, November-December

Optional Art & Culture Tours

- Imperial Kiln Museum (Tao Yang Alley)
- Ancient Kiln Folk Museum
- Sanbao Ceramic Valley
- Taoxichuan Art Fair
- Yaoli Ancient Town
- China Ceramic Expo

Tours are custom and charged separately.

Travel & Visa Info

Entry: Shanghai Pudong (PVG), train to Jingdezhen Pick-up service available from Jingdezhen airport or train station Visa application assistance provided

Bring VPN, WeChat/Alipay setup for payments and communication.

Certificate & Academic Credit

No direct academic credits granted.

We offer certificates of completion. Credit transfer may be arranged with your institution.

Studio Rules

- Art creation only in designated areas
- Quiet hours after 7 PM
- No smoking or alcohol
- Self-pay for kiln usage beyond basic quota
- Students responsible for tool/facility damages

This internship program is **customizable** for both individual college students and group applications from schools, classes, or faculty-led teams. The duration and cost will be adjusted according to the number of participants. Please contact us to receive a tailor-made internship plan that suits your needs.

Contact Us



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