

## Frequently Asked Questions: XJTLU 2025 September Intake Masters Applications

### Before you apply

**1. What is the application deadline for XJTLU Master's programmes (2025 September intake)?**

The application deadline for the 2025 September intake is 5pm Beijing Time, 15 June 2025.

**2. What are the academic requirements to apply for an XJTLU Master's programme? Are there any specific requirements for applicants' undergraduate backgrounds?**

XJTLU offers 55 Master's programmes across diverse academic disciplines. For detailed information regarding the academic prerequisites for the programmes you are interested in, please refer to the Entry Requirement listed for each programme on our website under the "Master's Admissions" section here (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/entry-requirements-2>).

**3. What are the English language requirements?**

For detailed information regarding the English language requirements for each programme, please refer to the **English Language Requirement** on our website under the "Masters's Admissions" section here (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/entry-requirements-2>).

**4. Does XJTLU offer distance or online learning to the Master's study?**

All Master's programmes offered at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU) require that both teaching and assessment activities be conducted on campus, ensuring that students engage directly with faculty and peers in a collaborative learning environment.

**5. What's the difference between the taught Master's (MSc) and the Master of Research degree (MRes)?**

The difference between the two degrees largely comes down to the length and level of independence you have during your studies and the dissertation project. An MRes degree requires students to undertake extensive research training, while an MSc degree involves a mixture of lectures, seminars and coursework. For more details, please refer to our Master's

programmes pages here (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/study/masters>).

**6. Am I eligible to apply for a part-time Master's programme?**

If you are currently employed in a full-time position and your Chinese work visa is valid for the entire duration of your chosen part-time programme, such as the 24 months required for the IMBA programme, you may apply for the part-time programme. In general, international students shall apply for the full-time study path due to the visa requirements for international students.

**7. Does XJTLU offer entry scholarship?**

XJTLU offers a partial entry scholarship of 20, 30 or 50 percent of the total programme tuition fee for all full-time Master's programmes based on academic merit. A full scholarship covering the tuition fee will be considered for a few applicants with outstanding academic merit and research potential for Masters of Research Programmes. Currently, there is no scholarship available for the part-time programmes.

**8. Can I transfer my previous university's credits into XJTLU Master's programmes?**

Currently, we do not recognize or accept transfer credits.

**9. What kind of certificate will I receive after graduation?**

Upon successful graduation, you will be awarded a Master's degree from the University of Liverpool, recognised by China's Ministry of Education and globally.

## Apply online

**1. What should I do if I didn't receive the account activation link after I have created an account for the online application system?**

Make sure the email address you used to create your XJTLU Masters application account is valid, and check the spam and trash folders in your mailbox. Alternatively, you can change your web browser to Firefox or Chrome. If you have found your account activation email in your spam folder, please make sure that it appears in your Inbox. This will help ensure that any future email communications with you are not lost. If you have tried all of the above and it still doesn't work, please contact [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) for further assistance.

## 2. What materials are required for the online application?

- Personal statement
- Full official academic transcripts of your studies with the University's stamps and grading system
- University degree certificates (if received) or Enrolment Status Letters (if you are a graduating student)
- English qualification certificate (IELTS Academic, TOEFL iBT, PTE Academic or equivalent)
- Two academic referees contact information
- A CV
- A copy of your Passport (information page)

Detailed requirements can be found on the website (under the "Before you apply" section here <https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/how-to-apply>) and also in the application system.

## 3. Am I eligible to apply for CSC scholarships when I apply for XJTLU Masters Programmes?

We regret to inform you that, unfortunately, XJTLU is not on the list of Chinese higher education institutions that accept international students under the Chinese Government Scholarship Schemes (CSC).

## 4. How can I apply for XJTLU Masters Entry Scholarships?

To apply for a scholarship, you must indicate your interest in the online programme application process, fill out the Master Scholarship Application Form online and upload your scholarship supporting documents (if any) to our online application system.

For more information on the scholarship application procedure, please visit our website below under the "Scholarships" section (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/fees-and-scholarships>).

## 5. I have received/will receive a 3-year degree from a university in an English-speaking country, can I be exempted from the English proficiency requirement?

You may refer to the English language exemption requirements listed on the website here (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/entry-requirements-2>) to see if you are eligible for an exemption.

**6. Do I need to send my official English language test scores now?**

You can upload your IELTS academic/TOEFL iBT/PTE academic scores via the online application system if you have already received them at the time of application.

Additionally, you can also send your official English language test scores to [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) if you receive them after submitting your application.

**7. How can I check the status of my application?**

To check the status of your application, please log in to the Self-Service Centre of the online application system (<https://single.xjtlu.edu.cn/app#/microapps/f3de6d344f3ec0ec/P-23-0003-dynamic-detail-view-micro?tabName=Application>).

**8. How do I know I have submitted my online application successfully?**

Once you have completed and submitted your online application, you will receive an email confirmation indicating that your application has been received (immediately). Your application status will also be shown as "**Application Submitted**" upon successful submission. If you do not receive this confirmation or if your application status does not update accordingly, please contact [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) for further assistance.

**9. How do I make changes to my online application form?**

As long as you have NOT submitted your online application, you can always return to make additional changes and finalize your application before submission.

However, if you have already submitted your application, please note that you will NOT be able to make any alterations on your own. If you need assistance or have any questions regarding your application, please contact [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) for further assistance.

**10. How do I add a document to my submitted application?**

If you need to provide additional supporting documents after you have submitted your application, please send the documents to [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) (with your application ID, name, and applied programme name).

## After you apply

### 1. When will I receive my application decision?

In general, the evaluation process for applications with all required supporting documents will be completed in 2 to 3 weeks. However, if an interview is deemed necessary, the total processing time may extend beyond this initial estimate. Additionally, it is important to note that during peak periods, the processing time may be further prolonged.

### 2. How will I be notified of the decision on my application?

You will receive a notification via email as soon as the decision is ready for you to view on the online application platform.

### 3. What is the acceptance rate for applications?

The number of applications accepted varies from year to year and from programme to programme. The application acceptance rate in previous years does not influence the number of applications accepted in the current year, as each application is considered on its own merits.

It is important to note that XJTLU does not guarantee to make an offer to all applicants who have met or are predicted to meet the minimum entry requirements.

### 4. Will I be interviewed for the programme?

It depends. For some programmes, you may be invited to an interview to further evaluate your application. It is important that you attend the interview if you are invited, otherwise your application will not be processed further. Interviews are usually conducted online to provide a convenient and accessible means of communication.

### 5. What is the waiting list? If I am waitlisted, does that mean I have been accepted?

As the University receives many more applications from highly qualified applicants than there are places available, you may be placed on a waiting list for further consideration. If this is the case, you will receive a waiting list notification with detailed information from our admissions office.

Please note that receiving a waiting list notification does not constitute an offer of admission to the programme for which you have applied.

## 6. Will I get detailed feedback if my application is unsuccessful?

We conduct a thorough evaluation of each application based on its own merits and how it compares to other submissions. Decisions are made after thorough consideration and on a highly competitive basis. If your application is unsuccessful, please be aware that we generally do not provide specific reasons for our decisions. All admissions decisions are final.

## After you are admitted

### 1. What is a conditional offer? What is an unconditional offer?

Successful applicants will be issued an offer via the online application system. If you are in the final year of your undergraduate degree study or have not yet obtained a qualified English test result, then you will be issued a conditional offer. For conditional offer holders, you will be given an unconditional offer once you meet the condition(s) stated in the offer letter by uploading all required supporting documents to the online application system **by the deadline specified on your conditional offer**.

For international applicants holding conditional offers, you are suggested to meet the condition(s) stated in the offer letter **by 15 July at latest**, considering student visa applications will take place afterwards.

### 2. What is the deposit? Can it be waived?

Due to the limited number of places in our Master's programmes, offer holders are required to pay a non-refundable deposit to secure their place (subject to meeting any offer conditions), as per the instructions on the offers. By paying this deposit, you not only demonstrate your commitment to XJTLU, but also help us to plan our resources effectively. This ensures that we can provide you with the best possible experience when you arrive at XJTLU.

For recipients of 100% scholarships, the requirement for a deposit can be waived in such circumstances.

### 3. What should I do if I get a conditional offer but my English score does not meet the offer condition?

The University offers Pre-sessional English (PSE) courses for Masters applicants, you may consider applying for the Pre-sessional English (PSE) course. Acceptance will be subject to your English language test result and the Programme Director's approval. Upon successful completion of the Pre-sessional English (PSE) course, your offer will be changed to

"Unconditional" for the English level. For more PSE course requirements and details, please visit here (<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/study/short-summer-courses-and-languages/presessional-english-programme>).

\*Note: A few master's programmes only accept direct entry, and the PSE application will not be considered.

#### 4. What if I failed the Pre-sessional English course? Will it affect my admission?

Yes. In this case, your conditional offer will be deferred to the following year, and you will be given one more chance to take the PSE course or take the English language test to meet the offer condition directly. Admission to your Master's programme will ultimately depend on your successful completion of the retaken PSE course or your English language test score.

### Before Arrival

#### 1. What do I need to do after receiving the unconditional offer?

<p>Respond your Offer &amp; Complete the Acceptance Form</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>View your Admission Notice by logging into the <u><i>Application System-Masters-View your application decision</i></u></li> <li>Click the <u><i>Respond</i></u> button in the upper right corner of the page <u><i>Admission Notice</i></u></li> <li>Fill out and submit the acceptance form:  Check &amp; confirm your personal information  Upload a photo for creating your XJTLU student ID card- Make sure you submit the most appropriate photo.</li> </ul>
<p>Pay the Deposit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pay a non-refundable tuition deposit of RMB 10,000 as instructed in your offer letter by the given deadline</li> <li>Send a scanned copy of your bank receipt to <a href="mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn">pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn</a> for confirmation</li> </ul>

<p>Apply for a Visa</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive email notification for preparing your Visa documents after you accept the unconditional offer and pay the deposit</li> <li>• Receive your original Admission Notice</li> </ul> <p>Apply for an 'X' visa to the Chinese embassy or consulate in your country with required supporting documents. For more visa issues, please consult with X-Global Office (<a href="mailto:global@xjtlu.edu.cn">global@xjtlu.edu.cn</a>).</p>
<p>Activate your XJTLU Student Account</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive the notice of student account activation via email from XJTLU UIM (<a href="mailto:UIMAdmin@xjtlu.edu.cn">UIMAdmin@xjtlu.edu.cn</a>)</li> <li>• Receive your XJTLU username and password after completing the student account activation</li> <li>• Activate your XJTLU student account to access the university systems (XJTLU student email, e-Bridge, Learning Mall, etc.)</li> <li>• Join the online Pre-arrival Course from the beginning of July</li> </ul>
<p>Book Accommodation &amp; the Airport Pick-up Service</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Find the accommodation information at <a href="https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/global/accommodation">https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/global/accommodation</a></li> <li>• Send an email to XJTLU Global Office (<a href="mailto:global@xjtlu.edu.cn">global@xjtlu.edu.cn</a>) for booking accommodation</li> <li>• Book an Airport Pick-up Service following further notice from XJTLU Global Office (<a href="mailto:global@xjtlu.edu.cn">global@xjtlu.edu.cn</a>)</li> </ul>
<p>Get ready for Registration &amp; Induction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete your online registration on the page of University Registration on e- Bridge (XJTLU Student Information System) - as soon as possible</li> <li>• Receive an email notification of registration process and induction arrangements including tuition fee payment instructions via your XJTLU email account</li> </ul>



## 2. Can I change my programme after receiving an unconditional offer?

No, you cannot. The entry requirements vary significantly across different master's programmes. If you have an interest in applying for another programme, please submit a separate application for that programme and await the decision regarding your application.

## 3. Can I defer my offer?

Offer deferrals are only applicable to **Unconditional Offer Holders** who have already paid their deposits. Deferral requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis. If you would like to apply for deferral, please email us at [pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:pgadmissions@xjtlu.edu.cn) with your application ID, programme and reason for deferral. The deadline for submitting a deferral request is 15 August (For the detailed date, please refer to our website at <https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/how-to-apply>). It is important to note that late applications will not be considered. If your deferral request is approved, you will be contacted before the end of March of the following year to confirm your enrolment decision.

Your deposit will be carried over and applied to your deferred offer. You can only defer your offer once.

## 4. Is the deposit refundable?

The deposit can only be refunded in the following circumstances:

- If the University is unable to provide the academic programme originally applied for, offered and accepted, and you do not want to take up a place on an alternative programme that is offered.
- If you fail to meet one or more academic conditions, subject to the provision of evidence of relevant examination results and/or final transcript.
- If you fail to attain the required English language qualification, subject to the provision of evidence that you have attempted and failed the English language test after the date that your conditional offer was issued.
- If your Visa application is refused or rejected, subject to the provision of evidence that you have applied for and been refused a visa (international applicant only).

For more details of the deposit refund procedure, please refer to the website here- under the "How to apply"- "After you apply" section  
(<https://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/master/how-to-apply>).

## 5. What if I have more questions not covered here?

If you have any further inquiries regarding the admissions process for XJTLU Master's programmes, please contact the Masters Admissions team of XJTLU Graduate School at



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For general questions related to international study, such as visa applications, accommodation arranges and pre-arrival inductions, please contact XJTLU Global at [global@xjtlu.edu.cn](mailto:global@xjtlu.edu.cn).