

## NEW CAMPUS SPAWNS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

The establishment of a new campus of **SUN YAT-SEN UNIVERSITY** at Shenzhen is opening up some exciting opportunities for researchers in diverse fields.

Sun Yat-sen University was established in 1924 by Sun Yat-sen, the founding father of modern China. A top-tier research university recognized at both home and abroad for its remarkable strengths in a wide range of disciplines, the university has fostered an exceptional environment for learning and research.

Due to the establishment of a new campus at Shenzhen, Sun Yat-sen University offers new opportunities for growth and is gathering leading talents to advance its development of big platforms, research teams and projects. It is striving to become a world-class university by conducting education and research in key disciplines that accord with strategic national needs, international academic frontiers, and national and regional economic and social development.

A beautiful coastal city in Guangdong province, Shenzhen is one of the most innovative and dynamic cities in China. It has successfully built up its four pillar industries, namely high technology, modern logistics, finance and culture, and emerging industries in the six strategic areas of biology, Internet, new energy, new materials, cultural creativity and next-generation information technology, all of which are booming.

In 2015, the Municipal Government of Shenzhen and Sun Yat-sen University signed a collaborative agreement to jointly establish the Shenzhen campus in accordance with the criteria for a top-tier university. Located in the Guangming New Zone of Shenzhen city and occupying an area of 340 hectares, the new campus will open in 2018. The main disciplines on the campus will be medical science and engineering. Furthermore, a relatively comprehensive academic system that includes the humanities and natural sciences will be steadily developed, and a system for cultivating talents, ranging from undergraduate to doctoral programmes, will be established. In the next decade, the Shenzhen campus will become one of Asia-Pacific's most important and influential bases for innovation as well as a new growth pole of Sun Yat-sen University in its mission to establish itself as a first-tier international university.

The first schools at the Shenzhen campus will be the School of Clinical Medicine, the School of Basic Medicine, the School of Public Health, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, the School of Biomedical Engineering, the School of Materials Science and Engineering, the School of Intelligence Engineering, the School of Marine Engineering, the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics, and the School of Information and Communication Engineering.

The number of permanent faculty and researchers on the Shenzhen campus is projected to surpass 2,000, which will include academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Chinese Academy of Engineering, Yangtze River Scholars, high-level academic talents from overseas, recipients of the National Science Fund for Distinguished Young Scholars, recipients of the Thousand Youth Scholars Program, and other high-level academic leaders and outstanding young scholars. By the end of 2024, there will be over 20,000 students, 12,000 of whom will be full-time undergraduate students.

The Shenzhen's Seventh Affiliated Hospital will offer the best diagnosis and treatment in Shenzhen in a full range of areas, and it will become a high-quality centre for medical treatment and disaster medicine as well as a state-level healthcare centre.

In this context, Sun Yatsen University is recruiting deans (chairs) and academic leaders from across the globe for the schools (departments) to be established at the Shenzhen campus.



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