

IMPA-BRI



International Master of Public Administration in the Belt and Road Initiative

Introduction and Background

The Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st-Century Maritime Silk Road initiative, known as the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), was proposed by the Chinese President Xi Jinping and has attracted close attention from all over the world. The five major goals of the BRI are: policy coordination, facilities connectivity, unimpeded trade, financial integration and people-to-people bonds.

The International Master of Public Administration in the Belt and Road Initiative (IMPA-BRI) program is offered at Tsinghua University, guided and hosted by the International Cooperation Center (ICC) of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), and is financially sponsored by Tanoto Foundation China. It is a one-year English-taught Master's Degree program delivered by the School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University (Tsinghua SPPM). Developed out of Tsinghua SPPM's IMPA program, the IMPA-BRI program is particularly designed to expand the scope of cooperation and exchange between countries participating in the BRI and to train promising talents for the BRI countries.

Featuring a curriculum that combines course studies, field research and thesis writing, the program aims to help participants gain a better understanding of China's development experiences and of the BRI, develop their analytical capability for public policy, and build leadership skills necessary for public-sector professionals.



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Eligibility

- 1 Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens with a valid personal ordinary-type passport and should be citizens from countries participating in the BRI. For a list of the countries, please refer to the official website of "Belt and Road Portal" (<https://eng.yidaiyilu.gov.cn>).
- 2 Master's Degree program applicants should have a Bachelor's Degree or an equivalent degree to a Bachelor's Degree (or above) in China. The students who will enroll in 2025 must obtain the nationally recognized bachelor's or master's degree (for the universities of Chinese mainland) or the degree authentication report issued by the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange, Ministry of Education, P. R. China (CSCSE) (for overseas universities) before THU graduate student registration date of 2025, otherwise the admission qualification is invalid.
- 3 Applicants should preferably be senior government officials, senior enterprise managers, or administrative heads and senior managerial staff of universities/colleges/academic institutions.
- 4 Applicants should be under the age of 45 before entering the school in 2025, and with at least 5 years of full-time working experience after obtaining the bachelor's degree.
- 5 Applicants should have high English proficiency.
- 6 Applicants should be in good health and of good character, (meet the physical examination requirements stipulated by the country and THU), be well-behaved and be willing to abide by China's laws and regulations, as well as Tsinghua's rules.

Scholarship

All successful applicants of the IMPA-BRI program will receive full scholarship provided by Tanoto Foundation China. The scholarship covers the full tuition fee and miscellaneous cost, accommodation subsidy and living allowance. Tanoto Foundation China also covers for the field trip and research fee and the medical insurance fee for the duration of the program.

Application Schedule

1st Nov, 2024- 30th April, 2025

Required Application Materials

- Passport (personal ordinary-type passport): Applicants should present bio page of personal ordinary-type passport. Those who previously held Chinese nationality and subsequently acquired foreign nationality are required to provide certificate of cancelled Chinese household registration (Hukou) and certificate of naturalized citizenship of other countries. Applicant who holds personal ordinary-type passport and diplomatic visa in China should also provide the scanned copy of diplomatic visa page.
- Degree certificate and degree authentication. Master's degree program applicants should submit their Bachelor's degree certificate. The degree diploma awarded by overseas universities should be authenticated by the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange, Ministry of Education, P. R. China. The degree diploma awarded by universities of Chinese mainland should be authenticated by the Center for Student Services and Development, Ministry of Education, P. R. China (CSSD) .
Academic transcript. Master's degree program applicants should submit the academic transcript of their undergraduate study. Applicants who will not graduate before the application deadline shall provide their current academic transcript. In this case, the completed academic transcript must be submitted before registration. If the uploaded transcript cannot directly show the total GPA score, the GPA certification document issued by the university is also required.
- Personal statement. The personal statement should be completed directly in the application system.
- Two academic recommendation letters from scholars who have the title of associate professor or higher, or senior professionals in a related academic field. Please follow the instructions on the online system for submission of online recommendation letters or upload the recommendation letters signed by references.
- Official results of English language proficiency tests (if available): Applicants whose first language or language of instruction in their tertiary education is not English are recommended to provide evidence of English proficiency. If needed, video interviews will be conducted for prospective candidates to test their language proficiency.

Tsinghua University

Tsinghua University is one of the most renowned universities in China. With the motto of "Self-Discipline and Social Commitment" and the spirit of "Actions Speak Louder than Words", Tsinghua University has become an important institution for fostering talents and scientific research, and is dedicated to the well-being of Chinese society and the world development. It also has a long tradition of nurturing public leadership. Both the former and current presidents, Mr. HU Jintao and Mr. XI Jinping are Tsinghua alumni.

School of Public Policy and Management

The School of Public Policy and Management of Tsinghua University (Tsinghua SPPM) was founded in 2000. As the first graduate school in public administration in China, the School's long-term objective is to become a world-class institution that actively engaged in teaching, research, and consulting in global public affairs. In 2017, Tsinghua SPPM was graded as A+ in the fourth round of the national assessment of the discipline of Public Administration.



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