

Applying Independently for Your X2 Chinese Visa

How do I apply for my X2 Student Visa?

All Chinese visa applications **must** be processed **in person** at a Chinese Consulate. This means that you will need to travel to your designated Chinese Consulate to apply for your X2 student visa. You can elect to have a representative submit your visa application on your behalf, this can be a trusted guardian or a Visa agency (such as [A.Briggs](#)). Please note that there will be an additional fee if you use a visa agency like [A.Briggs](#).

You should allot 3-4 days for your in-person visa appointment. After you apply for your visa, we recommend requesting an expedited review and you will be given a receipt with the date that you should come back to pick up your student visa. When you choose the expedited process and submit your application before **noon** your visa will be ready in 1-2 business days. You will need a valid passport (valid at least 6 months after your program end date) with at least 2 free visa pages.

When do I need to submit my visa application by?

You should plan to submit your visa by the recommended deadline below. Please note that these are suggested as the latest possible date that you should be submitting your application.

Spring: December 13th | **Fall:** June 20th | **Summer:** May 20th

How do I know which Consulate to go to?

You are eligible to submit your visa application at the Chinese Consulate that has jurisdiction over your permanent home address.

Please see the list of Chinese Consulates in the United States and their jurisdictions:

<p>Consulate in New York Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 – 15:00 Address: 520 12th Avenue, New York, NY 10036 Phone: 212-868 2078 Email: ny Visa@csm.mfa.gov.cn Jurisdiction: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA, RI, VT</p>	<p>Consulate in Chicago Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM Address: 1 East Erie Street, Suite 500, Chicago, IL 60611 USA Phone: 312-453-0210 ext. 3000 Email: chicago@csm.mfa.gov.cn Chinese Passport and Travel Document: chicago@csm.mfa.gov.cn Jurisdiction: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, WI, NE, ND, SD</p>	<p>Consulate in San Francisco Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 – 14:30 Address: 1450 Laguna Street, San Francisco, CA 94115 Phone: 415-919-6008 Email: For emergency Visa application or pick-up, email to: sf_Visa@csm.mfa.gov.cn Jurisdiction: AK, Northern CA, NV, OR, WA, ID, MT, WY</p>
<p>Consulate in Los Angeles Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Address: 3rd Floor, 500 Shatto Place, Los Angeles, CA 90020 Phone: 1-213-348-1778 Email: la@csm.mfa.gov.cn Jurisdiction: AZ, Southern CA, HI, NM, CO, US Pacific Islands</p>	<p>Embassy in Washington, DC Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 am – 2:30 pm Address: 2201 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 110 Washington, DC 20007 USA Phone: +001-202-855-1555 Email: washington_Visa@csm.mfa.gov.cn For passport and travel permit consultation: washington_hz@csm.mfa.gov.cn Jurisdiction: DC, MD, VA, WV, NC, SC, KY, TN, DE, AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, OK, TX, PR</p>	