

My studies at the Non-degree Chinese Language Program at Fudan University were very rewarding and corresponded to my expectations. I developed my speaking, listening, reading and writing skills immensely as well as I expanded my knowledge of the Chinese culture. The scholarship from the Swedish School in Beijing has offered my additional financial support and has contributed to that I have been able to study and live in Shanghai for a whole year.

I am now more confident using Chinese outside the classroom, e.g. while traveling, in a professional situation or simply having a conversation with a native. I believe it is crucial to live in the country of the language you are learning, at least for a period of time. The experience does not only make a great impact on your learning but it also lets you immerse yourself in the culture and truly discover the curiosity and excitement you harbor.

After this year in China, I am even more convinced to return. Depending on what I will study, I will try to pursue parts of the education at a Chinese university. I have always wanted to work internationally in the future and now I am sure I want focus on China, especially because I hope to use Chinese regularly in my future line of work.