

3+X Programs at NC State University

GTI Certificate Program and Accelerated Masters Non-Thesis Program



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November – February

1) ZJU, DHU, NCTU, JU, SCNU, and ZSTU

(student's "home university") nominate candidates

2) Candidates take English proficiency test

3) Candidates apply to both NC State units

a) Graduate School's online ApplyYourself (AY) system – due: **Feb. 1** some departments have earlier deadlines, please see <https://grad.ncsu.edu/students/international-students/zhejiang/> for more details

b) GTI web site – due: **Feb. 28**

4) pay Graduate School application fee on AY system

5) scanned transcripts, online recommendations, and online purpose statement submitted using AY system

6) pay GTI application fee and send scanned proof of English ability and financial documents through GTI online application center

February – April

8) NC State's GTI & Graduate Departments review apps

9) NC State's GTI & Graduate Departments make recommendations

(mid-April)

10) GTI issues I-20 for GTI Certificate Program (**late April**)

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Summer

- Students take GRE (if required by department)
- Course advising with Director of Graduate Program (DGP) (each graduate department has its own DGP and students should consult closely with their DGP for academic advising)
- Course registration using MyPack Portal (beginning July 1)
- Students can take GTI 401 course on NCSU campus in July for an early start

GTI Certificate Program

www.ncsu.edu/gti

Masters (Non-thesis) Program

www.ncsu.edu/grad

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1st Fall at NC State

- Arrive in NC (either in July for summer 2 session or no later than the day before the Orientation Program (see <https://internationalservices.ncsu.edu/future-students/orientation-7/>)
- Continue course advising with DGP
- During Fall, Students Enroll in:
 - 1) GTI 401 (3 credits)(required)
 - 2) Foreign Language English (FLE) class if needed
 - 3) 1-3 core courses*

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Transition to Accelerated Non-Thesis Masters Program (December and January)

1. Students successfully complete all courses in Fall and receive GTI Certificate in Dec.
2. Students submit new TOEFL/IELTS and/or GRE scores (due: **Nov. 15**)
3. Students submit new Master's level financial documents to Grad School (due: **Dec. 1**)
4. Graduate School receives "Verification of BS Completion" from home university (mid-**Dec.**)
5. NC State Departments make final/formal recommendation to Graduate School
6. Graduate School changes Admission from **Preliminary** to **Official**
7. OIS does "Change in Level" from Certificate to Masters level in SEVIS & **issues new I-20**
8. Students are Masters Level effective January
9. Students submit official confirmation of bachelor's degree (due: 2nd **September** at NC State)

*Course selection during 1st Fall at NC State (a total of 12 credit hours minimum)

1. GTI 401 is a required course (unless taken in summer 2)
2. FLE courses may be required by the DGP OR GTI
3. The remaining core courses taken during Fall:
 - are chosen based upon the recommendation of the DGP
 - fulfill graduation requirements for bachelors program at their home university
 - will "double-count" toward Masters non-thesis program at NC State

End of Program Options

1. Graduates may return to their home university for a PhD program
2. Graduates may return home to China to pursue other options
3. Graduates may apply for OPT to work in US for one year
4. Students may change level to PhD program at NC State (consult with DGP)
5. Students may transfer to other program or school