**Appendix 1 – list of the best Chinese Universities**

* Tsinghua University
* Peking University
* Fudan University
* Shanghai Jiao Tong University
* University of Science and Technology of China
* Zhejiang University
* Harbin Institute of Technology
* Sun Yat-Sen University
* Xian Jiao Tong University
* Beijing Normal University
* Huazhong University of Science and Technology
* Jilin University
* Nanjing University
* Sichuan University
* Soochow University
* South China University of Technology
* Southeast University
* Xiamen University
* Beihang University
* Central South University
* China Agricultural University
* China Universities of Geosciences (Wuhan)
* Dalian University of Technology
* East China University of Science and Technology
* Lanzhou University
* Nankai University
* Shandong University
* Tianjin University
* Tongji University
* University of Electronic Science and Technology of China
* Wuhan University
* Beijing University of Chemical Technology
* Hunan University
* Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS)
* Chinese Academy of Engineering Physics (CAEP)
* Chongqing University
* Northwestern Polytechnical University
* Beijing Institute of Technology
* China University of Mining and Technology (CUMT)

Below are the “specialist” universities (based on academic subjects’ excellency only):

* Chinese University of Petroleum (CUP) - petroleum engineering, geoscience, and chemical engineering only
* National University of Defence Technology (NUDT) - electronic engineering, and computer science only
* China Pharmaceutical University- pharmacy only

**Appendix 2 – Top 50 International Universities (World University Rankings, 2021, https://www.timeshighereducation.com/)**

1 University of Oxford, United Kingdom

2 Stanford University, United States

3 Harvard University, United States

4 California Institute of Technology, United States

5 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, United States

6 University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

7 University of California, Berkeley, United States

8 Yale University, United States

9 Princeton University, United States

10 The University of Chicago, United States

11 Imperial College London, United Kingdom

12 Johns Hopkins University, United States

13 University of Pennsylvania, United States

14 ETH Zurich, Switzerland

15 University of California, Los Angeles, United States

16 UCL, United Kingdom

17 Columbia University, United States

18 University of Toronto, Canada

19 Cornell University, United States

=20 Duke University, United States

=20 Tsinghua University China

22 University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, United States

23 Peking University, China

24 Northwestern University, United States

25 National University of Singapore, Singapore

26 New York University, United States

27 London School of Economics and Political Science, United Kingdom

28 Carnegie Mellon University, United States

29 University of Washington, United States

30 University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom

31 University of Melbourne, Australia

32 LMU Munich, Germany

33 University of California, San Diego, United States

34University of British Columbia, Canada

35 King’s College London, United Kingdom

=36 Karolinska Institute, Sweden

=36 The University of Tokyo, Japan

38 Georgia Institute of Technology, United States

39 University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

40 McGill University, Canada

41 Technical University of Munich, Germany

42 Heidelberg University, Germany

43 École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland

44 University of Texas at Austin, United States

45 KU Leuven, Belgium

46 Paris Sciences et Lettres – PSL Research University Paris, France

47 Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

48 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, United States

49 University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States

50 Washington University in St Louis, United States