# **Physical Geography**

The State Key Laboratory of Estuarine and Coastal Research (SKLEC) is originated from the Estuarine Research Institute established in 1957. SKLEC has been strongly involved in providing solutions to resolve theoretical and practical problems encountered in the very diverse and large-scale coastal developments in China, such as the first national comprehensive survey on coastal resources, the construction of harbors and ports, channel regulations, the restoration of coastal wetlands and the implementation of engineering structures. While serving the national needs, SKLEC continues to promote the development of Earth Sciences, with increasing influence home and abroad. SKLEC not only contributes to solve the sustainable development problems in China, but also provides the support for the global estuarine and coastal regions. Over the last decades, SKLEC has adopted and promoted an atmosphere of being "Open to Collaboration, Exchange of Experience, Unity in Performance and Open to Competition". This has been and will continue to be the basis of SKLEC.

Physical Geography focuses on the dynamics, sedimentation, deposition and geomorphological processes in estuarine coastal regions at different time scales, emphasizes the comprehensive interdisciplinary intersection, especially with marine, ecological, environmental and management disciplines, focuses on solving the key scientific problems in the sustainable use of resources such as water, soil and waterways as well as the coastal erosion, flood disaster defense and other major national needs in estuarine coastal regions, and has made outstanding achievements in the areas of deltaic and Coastal sedimentary environment evolution, estuarine coastal modern sedimentary geomorphological processes, coastal mudflats, waterways and water resources utilization and protection, etc., and has made important contributions to the sustainable development of China's coastal areas socio-economically and enjoys a good reputation both at home and abroad.

| Campus                                      | Minhang Campus   | Degree                                 | Doctor of Science   |
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| Length (year)                               | 4 Years  | Tuition                                | 35000RMB/Year   |
| Instruction Language                        | English / Chinese  | Application<br>Language<br>Requirement | Chinese -taught<br>Programs: HSK5 级≥180<br>English-taught Programs:<br>IELTS≥6.0 / TOEFL≥80 /<br>Cambridge English≥B2 |
| Classes Open to International Students Only |  | NO                                     |   |
| Graduation Requirement                      | Complete the course study and earn the required credits, publish a |  |   |

|  | specified number of papers, and pass the thesis defense. |
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## Major Courses

Primarily engaged in scientific research and teaching in higher education institutions, research organizations, etc., as well as relevant policy formulation and analysis work in government departments.

### After Graduation

Primarily engaged in scientific research and teaching in higher education institutions, research organizations, etc., as well as relevant policy formulation and analysis work in government departments.

### Scholarship

Chinese Government Scholarship

Shanghai Government Scholarship

### **Application Contact**

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