The Second Military Medical University (SSMU) is a public university founded in September 1949, now it is the CPLA key institution of higher learning for training graduates and the key university supported by the state "Project 211."

SSMU offers numerous orientations covering the full spectrum of clinical medicine, naval clinical medicine, pharmacy, nursing science, anesthesiology, public utility management, psychiatry and mental health, medical laboratory technology, medical laboratory testing and medical imaging technology. It is also a unique medical training base of overseas students.

The School has a very good teaching environment; it is located in the northeast of Shanghai, one of the cultural, educational and trade centers of the city, adjacent to Fudan University and Tongji University, and covers an area of nearly 110 hectares. The premises have a total floor space of over 670,000 square meters, including a complex of modern teaching buildings, a library, an experiment building and teaching hospitals of the first rate in China.

International academic exchange of the University is extensive and fruitful. Sending visiting scholars abroad and attending international conferences are annual routine work of the University. It has established exchange and cooperative relationships with more than 34 countries and regions by sponsoring many large and important international symposia, inviting foreign scholars to give lectures, conducting cooperative research and organizing training programs for overseas students.
Exchange Information:
For the 4-week non-credit summer elective students will pick three departments, in which they will be matched with a teaching preceptor, who they will accompany on a daily basis. Students can expect to observe the daily routine of their preceptor, including rounds, clinics, and operations—depending on the department. The degree of hands-on learning will differ based on the department, as well as the knowledge of the student.

Visiting international students will also be matched with local students upon arrival, and can expect to be taken on exchange activities such as campus and city tours, school ceremonies, local dining experiences, and the like.

Accommodations: Living arrangements will be prepared by SSMU. Students will be housed at apartment-style graduate student dormitories. Students will have private chambers, with private bathroom, air-conditioning, and TV. Wifi is not available at the dormitory. There is a janitor on-site, however house keeping is not available. The cost will be ¥120 RMB per student per day.

Work Hours: Variable based on the preceptor. General Hospital hours are Monday – Friday 8am –
5pm. Some departments also work on the weekends but students are not required to attend.

Comments: Although fluency in Mandarin is not a requirement for applicants, and the SSMU administration will do its best to match students with English-speaking teaching preceptors, students are advised that a working knowledge of Mandarin will allow them to gain the most out of their experience at SSMU, particularly in clinically focused specialties.

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