Founded in 1979 and approved by the State Council in 1981, the Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (GSCAAS) is one of the earliest degree conferral institutions for master's degree and doctor's degree in China.

Backed up by 39 research institutes of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) all over 17 provinces, municipalities or autonomous regions in China, GSCAAS runs the graduate school with the philosophy that agriculture revitalization must be realized through science and education that should be research-based and quality-oriented. Two phases of co-nurture of the graduate students is the distinct feature, that is, both graduate school and the institutes have to team up. In over 30 years of exploration and development, GSCAAS has established a multi-layer and multi-typed personnel development system that includes not only Ph.D candidates, post Ph.D candidates, and students working towards their master's degree, but also foreign students and professional degree students. Thus far, the total registered student number exceeds 4000, 2500 of whom are full-time students. More than 4000 graduates are making great contributions to agricultural and economic development in China.

GSCAAS pools the resources of CAAS to provide students with well-equipped research facilities, bountiful cutting-edge research projects, ample research funding, rich library resources, first-class supervisor teams, world-wide international cooperation and exchange programs. Such powerful research support is intended to facilitate students in conducting research, participating in projects and developing competence in creativity.

There are 44 Ph. D degree-authorizing points, 56 master's degree-authorizing points and 8 mobile post-doctoral research stations. GSCAAS has 12 academicians either from the Chinese Academy of Sciences or the Chinese Academy of Engineering Sciences. There are about 500 supervisors for Doctoral Programs and over 1000 instructors for Master's Programs.

GSCAAS attaches close attention to development in international educations and the cutting edge in science and technology of the world today. We actively encourage international cooperation. So far, we have established various bilateral exchanges in cooperation with international organizations, universities and agricultural research institutions from more than 60 countries and regions, including joint-Ph.D programs and accepting international
students, which have been training many agricultural talents.

With its accomplishments, GSCAAS was selected as the National Outstanding Institution in Degree and Postgraduate Education Management jointly by the Ministry of Education and the Academic Degree Committee of State Council in 1999. We also received the outstanding institution in Degree and Postgraduate Education Management in Beijing Award in 2008. GSCAAS was honored with 3 National Top 100 PhD dissertations of Excellence awards in the National PhD Dissertation Assessment. Another 3 were credited with nominee. 1 was awarded with Excellence in Beijing PhD Dissertation Assessment. The school is regarded as “the first-class Graduate School in China” for topping the list in agriculture related sciences for 9 consecutive years, since 2002.

Excellent international students are awarded for Chinese Government Scholarship, Beijing Government Scholarship and GSCAAS Scholarship as well to study and research in GSCAAS. The advantage of its agricultural education and research has been attracting more and more international students.

### Degree Programs

#### Master's Degree (3 years)

**Visiting Scholar (0.5-2 years)**

1. Microbiology※
2. Biochemistry and Molecular Biology※
3. Agricultural Water-Soil Engineering※
4. Agricultural Bio-environment and energy Engineering※
5. Environmental Engineering※
6. Food science※
7. Processing and Storage of Agricultural Products※
8. Crop Cultivation and Farming※
9. Agri-Product Quality and Food Safety※
10. Crop Genetics and Breeding※
11. Vegetable Sciences※
12. Tea Science※
13. Soil Sciences※
14. Plant Nutrition※
15. Agricultural Water Resource Utilization※
16. Regional Development of Agriculture※
17. Grassland Resource Utilization and Protection※
18. Plant Pathology※
19. Agricultural Entomology and Pest Control※
20. Pesticide Sciences※
21. Agricultural Microbiology※
22. Animal Genetics, Breeding and Reproduction Science※
23. Animal Nutrition and Feed Sciences※
24. The Rearing of Special-type Economic Animals (including Silkworm, Honeybees, etc.) ※
25. Preventive Veterinary Medicine※
26. Basic Veterinary Medicine※
27. Chinese Traditional Veterinary Science※
28. Agricultural Economics and Management※
29. Agricultural Trade※
30. Agricultural Information Management※
31. Agricultural Business Management※

#### Doctoral Degree (3 years)

**Senior Visiting Scholar (0.5-2 years)**

1. Biochemistry and Molecular Biology※
2. Agricultural Water-Soil Engineering※
3. Crop Cultivation and Farming※
4. Crop Genetics and Breeding※
5. Agri-Product Quality and Food Safety※
6. Vegetable Sciences※
7. Tea Science※
8. Soil Sciences※
9. Plant Nutrition※
10. Agricultural Water Resource Utilization※
11. Regional Development of Agriculture※
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23. Basic Veterinary Medicine※
24. Agricultural Information Management※
25. Agricultural Trade※
26. Agricultural Resources and Environmental Economics※

Note: Majors with ※ can be taught in English. (The minimum number of opening a master's class is 10 and 10 for opening a doctoral class.)

The Study Abroad Program

The Graduate School of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) launched The Study Abroad Program in 1993. Its objective is to help international students to learn more about Chinese culture and agriculture development, and develop mutual understanding and friendship as well.

The program is about six weeks, starts from June to July, and not only does it contain courses but also does it have field trips around Beijing. Altogether three courses are offered: Chinese Agriculture in Transition, Demographics and Rural Development and Chinese Cultural and Language which are taught by staff from CAAS in English.

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Fees

For Self-financed International Students
1. Application fee: Master/Ph. D Candidate: RMB 600; Visiting Scholar: RMB 400
2. Tuition
   1) Master’s Degree/General Scholar: RMB30000/academic year
   2) Doctoral Degree /Senior Scholar: RMB 40000/academic year
3. Accommodation: Full-furniture double room/triple room, RMB 50/bed/day.
4. Insurance: RMB 600/year