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**RESEARCH & INNOVATION**
- Academic research on contemporary China and China-EU relations.
- Promotion of research cooperation, mobility and information sharing.
- Comparison and study of different forms of university outreach in China and in Europe.
- Co-funding of selected research proposals.

**EDUCATION**
- Further strengthen the cooperation between the partner universities in establishing degree programs in related fields.
- Promote the cooperation to secondary and primary schools in various regions in Belgium.
- Gradually integrate Chinese language and Chinese culture optional courses into VUB’s curriculum, and further develop courses and programs in related fields.

**LANGUAGES & CULTURE**
**CHINESE MANDARIN LANGUAGE COURSES**
- Group and private, tailor-made courses.
- Beginner (1.1), Intermediate and Advanced (3.1) level.
- Learn with a native speaker (language of instruction is English).
- At the VUB Etterbeek campus in Brussels.

**TAI CHI COURSES**
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- Chinese martial art; characterised by slow, soft and harmonious movements.
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**STUDY IN CHINA**
Every year Hanban launches a scholarship program for providing sponsorship to students, scholars and Chinese language teachers for pursuing a study in relevant universities in China. Hanban also developed a Summer Camp Project for overseas students to learn Chinese.

**EVENTS**
Organisation of forums, lecturers series and conferences on Chinese literature, philosophy, art history, business, society, politics and international relations.