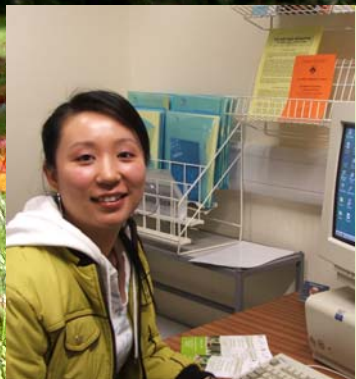


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Student Profile

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Xu LI comes from Shen Yang in north-east China and is in the first year of the BA (Hons) Leisure Management (Sport and Recreation) course.

Xu attended a large High school in China which had big classes and she says that the smaller class sizes here are enjoyable. Before applying to SAC, Xu spent time completing a Foundation Year at City College Manchester where she gained confidence in her English language skills and had a sound orientation to life in the UK.

"I chose the Leisure Management programme at SAC because I wanted to develop skills and knowledge for work in the leisure or tourism industry. In the future, I would like to work as a tour leader bringing tourists to the UK or organising travel on their behalf. I think that being able to speak Chinese and English, and having studied in the UK, will help this.

"I really like the level of practical learning in my course. I have compared my timetable and activities with those of friends studying in China and at other UK institutions, and their programmes seem much more boring because they are so classroom based. SAC's classroom learning is made more relevant through off-site visits and already I have visited a range of museums, leisure centres, community organisations and clubs."

This term Xu is looking forward to doing a work placement to gain more practical experience. She has to actively seek a place for herself and is hoping to work in a sports or leisure centre. Xu's long-term aspirations don't stop with the completion of her degree or the employment she hopes to gain when she finishes at SAC. Xu says she also plans to do further study at a postgraduate level and would hope to do this in the UK.

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