Multi-lingual Conference Interpreting Program
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Brief intro. to BFSU

• Our Mission: Introducing China to the world
• Our reputation: cradle of diplomats
• Our offerings: 84 programs of different languages, covering all 24 official languages of the EU
• Our recent efforts: 4 university level cross-disciplinary research institutes, covering language, literature, culture, and regional studies
- UN Chinese interpreter training program set up in 1979
- GSTI in 1994 – MA
  Multilingual interpreter training program in 2007, first in China
- This year marks the 10th anniversary of the multilingual program and we are integrating resources and promoting collaboration across faculties
Language pairs already covered

Chinese + English +
• German
• French
• Russian
• Spanish
• Korean
• Thai

With emphasis on English/Chinese – English as *lingua franca*

We are going to include more languages in the *Belt and Road* Region
Trainees

- Students with a BA in the above-mentioned non-English foreign languages
- Overseas students (Germans/Canadians/Spanish/Americans)
Volunteers for the Belt and Road Forum
Trainers

- All very active interpreting practitioners
- In-faculty lecturer
- Cross-faculty teaching
- Free-lance interpreters
2012-2017 graduates were employed by:

- Government entities: in-house interpreters, overseas embassies and consulates
- Universities: Teaching both foreign languages
- Media groups: journalists for overseas duty stations
- State-owned enterprises: international business, overseas branches
- Financial Institutions (Four major banks)
- Others: free lance interpreters, PhD studies
Cross-faculty joint program

Work with other European language faculties to attract more competent students and train them with balanced proficiency for both foreign languages.

Work with faculties of Asian, Arabic and African languages to train more competent interpreters for the Belt and Road region.
International Cooperation

MoUs with many overseas top-notch universities

Further opportunities expected
THANK YOU