

# Corpus Technologies and Applied Linguistics Conference

## Guide to Suzhou

### 1. Introduction

Where is XJTLU? Suzhou, SIP and HET



### Overview

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU) is located in Suzhou, which is one of the most popular tourist destinations in China and is well known for its scenic landscape gardens. The downtown area of the city has a wide variety of historical tourist sites to visit, while the **Suzhou Industrial Park** (SIP 工业园区) is very modern and offers a high standard of living with numerous dining and entertainment options.

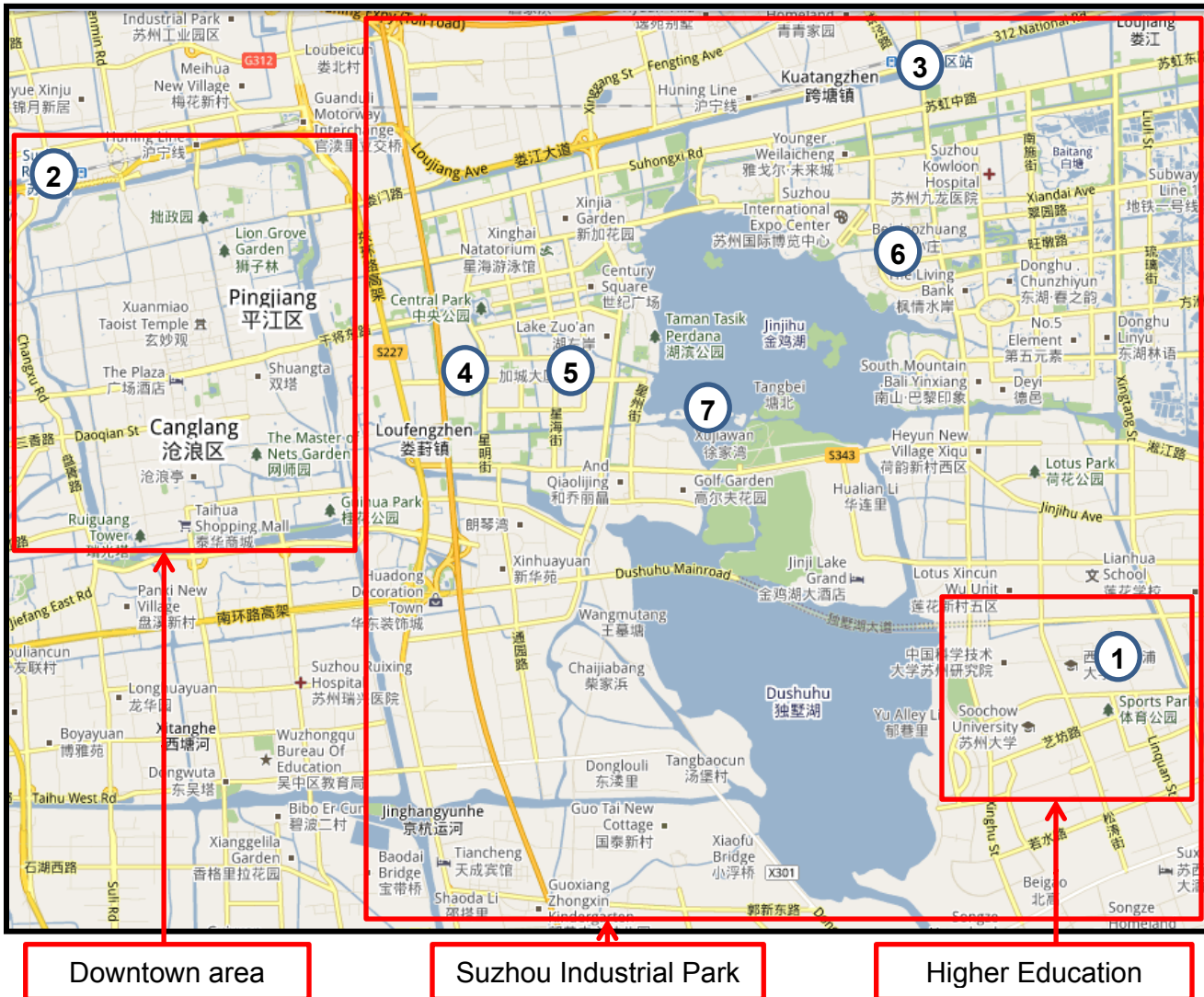
XJTLU is within the **Higher Education Town** (HET 独墅湖高郊区) area of SIP. SIP and downtown Suzhou form one continuous urban area and are linked by numerous and inexpensive bus services and Suzhou's first subway line. HET is separated from downtown Suzhou by *Dushu Lake* 独墅湖 – crossed by bridges or via *Dushu Lake Tunnel*. To the west of downtown is Suzhou New District (SND 新区) with light industry and some shopping and restaurant areas.

### Higher Education Town (HET)

The Higher Education Town area has a considerable number of restaurants and small shops,

Travelling from the HET to downtown takes 45 minutes to 1 hour by bus (cost = 2 RMB) or about 20 minutes by taxi (cost = approximately 40 RMB).

## 1.1 Map of Suzhou



### Key:

- 1 – XJTU
- 2 – Suzhou Main Railway Station & Bus Station
- 3 – SIP Railway Station
- 4 – Auchan Hypermarket
- 5 – Xin Du Plaza (*there are a number of expat-oriented restaurants and shops in this area*)
- 6 – Times Square/Moon Harbour (*numerous restaurants and a large expat-oriented supermarket*)
- 7 – Li Gong Di (*a scenic lakeside area with a variety of restaurants and bars*)

Source XJTU English Language Centre Pre-Arrival Guide for new teachers

## 1.2 Websites

- 🖥️ [www.livingsu.com](http://www.livingsu.com) (linked to the Shanghai Daily newspaper)
- 🖥️ [www.whatsoninsuzhou.com](http://www.whatsoninsuzhou.com)
- 🖥️ <http://www.liveinsuzhou.com/>
- 🖥️ <http://moresuzhou.com/>
- 🖥️ <http://www.suzhouexpats.org/>
- 🖥️ <http://www.sipac.gov.cn/english/> (Suzhou Industrial Park website)
- 🖥️ <http://translate.google.cn/?hl=en#en|zh-CN> Useful for translating

## 2. Practical Information

### 2.1 Addresses

① Both *Lu* 路 and *Jie* 街 are used for 'street/road'. *Da dao* 大道 is a larger road, and *hao* 号 is 'number'.  
① **Top Tip!** Pick up **business cards** which are often bi-lingual, have maps and hand to taxi driver.

### 2.2 ATMS

**Agricultural Bank of China ATM Wen Xing Guang Chang** 文星广场 (opposite XJTLU)  
ICBC is next to XJTLU Building One

### 2.3 Post Office

**China Post Office** 邮电局 *You Dian Ju* Back of MBA building Open: Monday - Saturday 11.00 - 16.30

### 2.4 Hospitals and Clinics

#### Sing Health Medical Clinic

Address: 128 *Jin Ji Hu Lu*, SIP (near *Xin Du Plaza*) 金鸡湖路128号, 靠近馨都广场

☎ 6767 1655 / 6767 1611      🌐 [www.singhealth.asia](http://www.singhealth.asia)

Opening hours:      8.30 – 12.30 & 14.30 – 19.00 Monday - Friday (Monday and Friday until 21.00)  
                                 9.00 – 17.00 Saturday & Sunday

#### Suzhou Kowloon Hospital 九龙医院 *Jiu Long Yi Yuan*

VIP Medical Centre and Foreign Patient Clinic

Address: 118 *Wan Sheng Street* SIP 苏州市工业园区万盛街118号

Bus: 812 or 166      Stop: 九龙医院 *Jiu Long Yi Yuan*

☎ 6262 7998      ☎ 6262 7999 (daytime)      🌐 <http://www.sz9l.com/> (no English)

#### Tokushinkai Dental Clinic

Address: 金鸡湖路88号      88 *Jin Ji Hu Lu*, near *Xin Du*      ☎ 6763 5723

Bus: 178      Stop: *Xin Du Guang Chang* then walk along to the Starbucks (next door)

## 3. Shopping

#### Halin Neighbourhood Centre in HET 邻里中心 *Li Zhongxin*

Fresh market, dry cleaners, McDonald's, Vanguard Supermarket, bakery, photographers, opticians, flower shop and Victor's imported goods. Food choices include TiAmo Café (Italian ice cream) and Basil Café (pizzas). Others: chemist's, stationery shop. Address: at the end of *Ren'ai Lu*

#### Wen Xing Plaza 文星广场 (across the road from XJTLU Campus)

The complex has KFC, Café 85, *Jia De Li* Supermarket and a train ticket office (next day collection).

#### Times Square 时代广场 *Shi Dai Guang Chang*

Shopping mall, Freshmart supermarket and variety of restaurants and cafés. Branches of **Watson's**, **Manning's**, **Subway**, **Starbucks**, **Pacific Coffee**, **Secret Recipe** and **Uniqlo**.

Bus: 812 or 120      Stop: *Xian Dai Da Dao Hua Chi Jie* 现代大道华池街 Metro: Line 1

Address: 268 *Wangdun Road* 苏州市工业园区旺墩路268号

**Ping Jiang Lu** 平江路 (downtown) - a traditional street with small arts and crafts shops

## 4. Eating Out

On-line for reviews of restaurants <http://www.moresuzhou.com/venue/restaurants/>

① Many high-end hotels do brunches and special event meals.

① **Vegetarian** - The Chinese for *I am vegetarian* is 我吃素, although dishes very often come with meat.

### W.G.T Veggie

Seasonal menu and all food is without MSG, no fried food and no carbonated drinks.  
Block 15, *Ligongdi* Phase 3 ☎ 6873 3556

### Lotus Veg Café

121, *Xin Du Plaza* specialises in veggie food – well known for their breakfasts

### ① Halal

### Yakexi Restaurant (Uyghur Food)

768 *Shi Quan Jie*  
☎ www.szyakexi.com ☎ 6529 1798

### Xinjiang Pamir Muslim Restaurant

新疆帕米尔餐厅  
25 *Shenxian Street* 神仙街25号  
☎ 6558 0177

### Delivery

#### Sherpa's Food and Delivery Co. (SIP)

Sherpa's call centre staff speak fluent English. Delivery charge and area restrictions apply.  
☎ 400 688 6209 ☎ www.sherpa.com.cn

### 4.1 Restaurants Close to XJTLU

**Parfait Café** – XJTLU Building 2 branch is where conference lunches and Friday's dinner will take place. Other Parfait branches at R&D and MBA Apartments serve drinks and light snacks

#### Basil Café

Pizza restaurant in the Neighbourhood Centre run by friendly staff. Delivery within 4 km and regular special offers. ☎ 6287 0704

#### Wen Xing Plaza

Cheap Chinese restaurants and **KFC** and **Café 85** - café serving pastries and cakes

#### Halin Neighbourhood Centre

##### **Mei Mei Restaurant**

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Neighbourhood Centre. Chinese food with English menu ☎ 6280 5938

#### Overseas Dragon 四海游龙

Next to XJTLU. Serves cheap noodles and dumplings.

#### XJTLU Conference Centre

西交大会议中心 **Xi Jiao Da Huiyi Zhongxin**  
Buffet and Chinese Restaurant

## 4.2 Places to Eat – In SIP

### **Xin Du Plaza 馨都广场 Xin Du Guang Chang**

Western restaurants such as **Jack's** ☎ 6253 6465, **Ebony** ☎ 6288 3677 and **Simon's** with outside seating. Vegetarian Restaurant **Lotus Veg Café**. **Heidi's** ☎ 6282 8269 is between Summit Supermarket and Starbucks.

Bus: 178, 146 or 142

Stop: *Xin Du Plaza 馨都广场*

Address: 金鸡湖路8号馨都广场16号 (8 *Jin Ji Hu Lu*, *Xin Du Guang Chang*)

### **North of Xin Du:**

#### **Blue Marlin Bar and Grill (SIP) Lan Qiang Yu**

Restaurant/bar in the heart of SIP serves German beer. Address: 168 *Xinghai Lu*, corner of *Xinghai Lu* and *Su Hui Lu* 星海街168号

☎ www.bluemarlin.cn ☎ 6288 9676

#### **Casa Zoe (Mexican Food)**

园区星汉街38号

38 *Xing Han Jie* ☎ 6253 4118

### **Moon Harbour near Times Square**

Variety of bars and restaurants: **Ganesh Indian Restaurant** ☎ 6956 9808, **Ophelie French Restaurant** ☎ 6936 8158, **Starbucks** and **Blue Note Café** ☎ 6285 7111

Address: next to Suzhou Science and Culture Arts Centre in SIP

Bus: 2号线 Stop: *Ke Wen Zhong Xin* 科文中心

### **Times Square**

#### **Secret Recipe**

Next to Subway 食之秘-时代广场-靠近赛百味

☎ 6696 6330 ☎ www.secretrecipe.cn

### **Li Gong Di 李公堤 Li Gong Di**

Restaurant area on Jin Ji Lake. Many high-end Chinese and Western restaurants and pubs. Notable restaurants include **W.G.T Veggie** ☎ 6873 3556 **Mario's Pizza** 马里奥披萨 ☎ 6770 4322, **Indian at the Cross** ☎ 6280 8325, **Namaste** ☎ 6272 0369, **Piccola Italia Italian** restaurant ☎ 1381 484 7178, **Zhao Ri Wu Japanese Restuarant** and **@Ollies Wine Bar** ☎ 6265 5993

Bus: 142 Stop: *Li Gong Di* 李公堤

Address: 李公堤路国际风情商业街 (*Li Gong Di Guo Ji Feng Qin Shang Ye Jie*)

### **Rainbow Walk on Jin Ji Lake**

Asian and Western restaurants including **Zapatas** ☎ 6767 2780 / 8507 8465, **'789' Hotpot** restaurant ☎ 6767 1789 / 6767 2789 and a branch of **Subway**

### **In City Shopping Mall**

Restaurants on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> floors include **Burger King Subway**, a Teppanyaki restaurant, **Grandma's Kitchen** (very popular), **Singaporean Restaurant** and a **Noodle Bar**

## 5. Drinks

### 5.1 Cafes

- **TiAmo** - café and ice cream shop in Neighbourhood Centre in HET
- **Starbucks** - branches in *Xin Du*, Times Square, SSCAC, In City, Rainbow Walk, *Guan Qian Jie* (Walking Street) and *Ren Min Lu*. Also near ABC Bank in Genway Building.
- **Costa Coffee** - branches in Times Square, *Guan Qian Jie* (Walking Street)
- **Momi Café & Postcard Shop** - two branches on *Ping Jiang Lu* 平江路
- **Café 85** - *Wen Xing Plaza*

## 6. Sightseeing

### **Ping Jiang Street** 平江路 ***Ping Jiang Lu*** (off ***Gan Jiang Lu***)

Quaint street with traditional architecture running alongside a canal – complete with singing boat owners. Mixture of old houses, cafes, restaurants and unique craft shops. You can also explore many old small lanes across the street or take a local canal boat trip. *Ping Jiang Lu* is located in downtown Suzhou, just south of Suzhou Museum. Bus number 178.

### **Shan Tang Street** 山塘街 ***Shan Tang Jie*** (near ***Shi Lu***)

Old street next to a canal near Tiger Hill. Lots of shops and some cafes. Boat tour of the canals (40 RMB). A slice of life! Bus 146 until the final stop.

### **Boat Tours of Suzhou** 水上旅游码头 ***Lun chuan Ma Tou***

Travel by boat around the entire moat of Suzhou old city on the ancient Grand Canal. You can get on at many points such as *Xinshi Qiao* (bridge) 新市桥 or from *Shan Tang Street* 山塘. Local canal boat trips also at *Ping Jiang Jie* 平江路 and up to Tiger Hill through *Shan Tang Street* 山塘. At night all the bridges are lit up. ⓘ You usually pay per boat (but check if it's per boat or per person).

### **South Gate Dock (Nanmen Dock)**

Address: 8 *Ren Min Lu*, Suzhou 人民路8号

☎ Ticket booking: 6520 9076 / 6520 5720 ☎ Inquiry 6520 6681

**Sightseeing double-decker in SIP runs the route from** 博览中心、文化水廊、现代广场、游艇码头、海棠苑、金姬墩、玫瑰湾、望湖角、湿地公园、水乡邻里、李公堤、风之园、农历广场、湖滨大道、城市广场、玲珑湾、科文中心17个站点。Hop on at the Suzhou Science and Culture Arts Centre or *Li Gong Di*. Fee: 2 RMB

## 6.1 Museums and Galleries

### Suzhou Museum 苏州博物馆 *Suzhou Bo Wu Guan*

Designed by Leoh Ming Pei who also designed the Pyramid at the Louvre. Free entry.

☞ <http://www.szmuseum.com/szbwgen/index.html>

Address: 204 *Dong Bei Street* Bus 178 Stop: *Suzhou Bo Wu Guan*

### Suzhou Silk Museum 丝绸博物馆 *Si Chou Bo Wu Guan*

Interesting museum detailing the history of the silk trade in Suzhou, with live silkworms, working looms and examples of garments produced. Address: 2001 *Ren Min Lu* 人民路2001号 ☎ 6753 6506

## 6.2 Traditional Gardens

Suzhou has a number of traditional gardens in the city and surrounding area. Famous classical gardens include Surging Waves Pavilion (Song Dynasty), Lion Forest Garden (Yuan Dynasty), Humble Administrator's Garden (Ming Dynasty) and Lingering Garden (Qing Dynasty). Other famous sights include Tiger Hill, Master of the Nets Garden and the Couple's Retreat Garden.

### Humble Administrator's Garden 拙政园 *Zhuo Zheng Yuan*

Address: 苏州市东北街178号 178 *Dong Bei Street* (near Suzhou Museum) Entry fee: 70 RMB

### Tiger Hill 虎丘

A leaning pagoda which began tilting 400 years ago – one of Suzhou's most famous sights.

☞ [www.tigerhill.com/EN/](http://www.tigerhill.com/EN/) Opening hours: 7.00 – 17.00 Entry fee: 60 RMB Bus: 146 to the final stop

### Pan Men Gate 盘门

Suzhou's only remaining original city gate Entry fee: RMB 25 Opening hours: 07.00 - 17.00

Address: 苏州市东大街5号 (city centre across *Ren Min Lu*) 5 *Dong Da Street*

	Address	Address in English
The Lingering Garden 留园	苏州市留园路338号	338 <i>Liu Yuan Road</i>
The Lion Forest Garden 狮子林	园林路23号	23 <i>Yuan Lin Road</i>
The Surging Waves Pavilion 沧浪亭	沧浪亭街3号	2 <i>Cang Lang Ting Street</i>
The Garden of Pleasance 怡园	人民路1256号	1256 <i>Ren Min Lu</i>
The Couple's Garden Retreat 耦园	小新桥巷5-9号	5-9 <i>Xiao Xin Qiao Lane</i>
Pagoda at Bao'en Temple 北寺塔报恩寺	平门内人民路652号	652 <i>Ren Min Lu</i>
Twin Pagodas 双塔	定慧寺巷22-1/2号	22 <i>Ding Hui Shi Lane</i>
Han Shan Temple 寒山寺	寒山寺弄24号	24 <i>Han Shan Shi Lane</i>
Xuan Miao Taoist Temple 玄妙观	苏州市观前街东脚门	<i>Guan Qian Street</i>
Master of the Nets Garden 网师园	银杏桥北阔街头巷11号	11 <i>Kuo Jia Lane</i> , off <i>Shi Qian</i>

## 7. Getting Around (Suzhou and immediate area)

### 7.1 Bus

#### Free HET bus (888 – grey and white)

This links various stops within HET and does a loop from the bus depot at the end of *Ren'ai Road*, past *Wen Xing Plaza*, XJTU, various higher education institutions, *Dushu* library and sports centre.

#### City buses

For **downtown Suzhou**, take buses 178 or 146. Get off at *Guan Qian Jie* then walk or take a taxi (approximately 10 - 30 RMB)

- The **120** and **812** buses go past Times Square and then on to In-City.
- The number **2号** bus goes to the Suzhou Train Station and north of Times Square (SSAC)
- **178** and **146** go to downtown Suzhou (**178** continues to Suzhou Train Station)
- **142**, **146** and **178** all go to *Xin Du* & **142** stops in front of Summit store
- **115** goes to the SIP Railway Station
- **2**, **(115)**, **142**, **(146)**, **178**, **218**, **228**, **812** all go to *Du Shu Hu* (terminus at R&D)
- **2**, **16**, **(115)**, **128**, **142**, **(146)**, **178**, **228**, **812** stop in front of *Wenxing*. (*Xi jiao da stop*)
- **2**, **142**, **228**, **812** Stop in front of XJTU Building One (the **178** doesn't!)

① Buses **115** and **146** go 'the long way round' from *Dushu* Bus Terminal to their destinations.

📄 <http://bus.mapbar.com/suzhou1/> Overview of bus routes and stops in Suzhou (Chinese).

① Nearly all bus stops will have a timetable and a list of stops (in Chinese characters). Stop names are usually written in *pinyin* on the bus stop and most buses stop at every stop on the route. However, if the bus does not stop, shout "*xia che*" ("down vehicle")! The bus driver might shout out if there is anyone who wants the next stop – in that case shout 'Yo!' The price will be shown on the bus stop timetable and above the driver – you must have correct change. Most buses are between 1 and 3 *kuai* (RMB).

### 7.2 Metro

Suzhou's first underground line opened in April 2012. Line 1 runs west to east of Suzhou from SIP (*Zhongnan* Street), through down town to SND and terminating in Mudu water town. Fares are between 2 and 6 RMB and trains run from 6.29 to 21.26 (leaving from Mudu) and 22.24 (leaving from *Zhongnan* Street). Useful stops include Times Square, Mudu Water Town and the Expo Centre.

### 7.3 Train

① A regulation (May 2011) stipulates passengers must take their passports when purchasing a train ticket, and their name and ID is included on the ticket. Passengers should travel with their passport and present it for inspection with their train ticket.

**High-speed G-trains** go to a variety of destinations and express trains to Shanghai take only 30 minutes. There is an overnight train to Beijing departing from Suzhou.

① **Buy train tickets** in a ticket office subject to a service fee. Book tickets (including sleepers) up to 10 days in advance. Take your passport when purchasing train tickets. Ticket office in Wen Xing Plaza near the supermarket entrance. (Chinese only spoken - have the times of the train clearly written down). Get a receipt and pick up tickets the next day.



## 7.4 Airports & Airport Transport

**Shanghai Pudong International Airport 浦东, Shanghai Hongqiao International Airport 虹桥 and Hangzhou (Operators for Air Asia)**

### Transport to – from airports

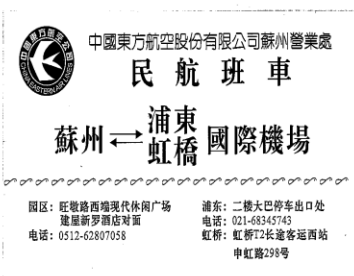
Shuttle Buses run between Suzhou SIP and Shanghai Pudong 浦东 or Shanghai Hongqiao 虹桥 International Airports.

Shanghai Airport Bus Ticket Office and Bus station in SIP 东方航空民航班车

Address: *Modern Plaza of SIP (Opposite The SHILLA, near Times Square)*

园区现代休闲广场（建屋新罗酒店对面）(Yuan Qu Xian Dai Xiu Xian Guang Chang)

☎ 6280 7058 / 6190 2988



Leave Suzhou 苏州始发	Leave Shanghai 上海始发 Pudong, Hongqiao
區 區	浦東、虹橋
6:45	10:00 11:00
7:15 (或到虹桥)	9:50
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### Approximate fares & travel times:

Single Suzhou - Shanghai Hongqiao Airport RMB 50  
Travel time 1.5 hours

Single Suzhou - Shanghai Pudong Airport RMB 84 Travel time 2.5 hours

**NB** Allow time for possible delays due to traffic.

☞ [www.etours.cn/china\\_city\\_guide/suzhou\\_travel\\_guide/transportation/by\\_air\\_suzhou\\_airport\\_shuttle\\_bus\\_es.php](http://www.etours.cn/china_city_guide/suzhou_travel_guide/transportation/by_air_suzhou_airport_shuttle_bus_es.php)

### Shanghai Airport Bus to Suzhou:

Pudong Airport International Arrival Hall, opposite Gate 15 ☎ 021 6834 5743

Hongqiao: East side of Airport Hotel ☎ 021 5114 1215

### Other ways of getting to the airport

**Pudong International Airport** Train/bus to Shanghai, Metro from the train station to *Long yang Lu* (Line 2). This directly connects with the Maglev train (8 minutes 50 RMB one-way).

### Hongqiao Domestic Airport

Bus as above, or train/bus to Shanghai and then a taxi.

① Please follow the signs to the long distance bus station outside the airport.

① Please note the shuttle bus drop-off area in SIP is different to the pick up: 苏绣路（海关大楼）*Su Xiu Road* (near SIP Customs). Let the driver know in advance if you would like to get off there. Otherwise, the destination is downtown near *Guan Qian* shopping street.

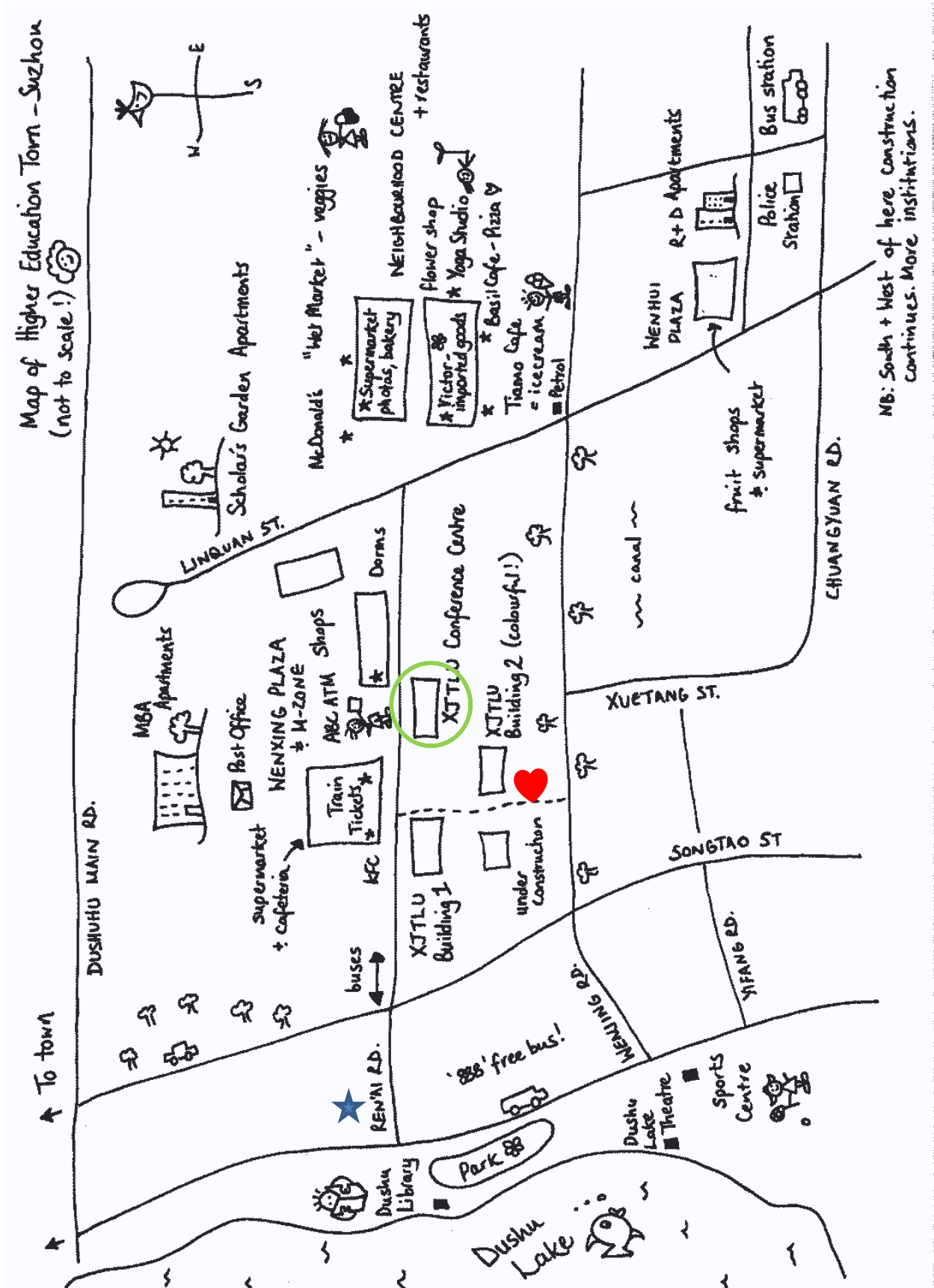
# Map of Higher Education Town



Jing Zhai Hotel



Parfait Café (conference food outlet)



NB: South + West of here construction continues. More institutions.

Map of Higher Education Town - Suzhou  
(not to scale!)

↑ To town

# The Back Pages

## Getting Around 出行 **chu xing**

Please can you order a taxi for me?	请问可以帮我定下的士吗?	<i>Qing wen key i bang wo ding xia di shi ma?</i>
Please take me to...	请带我去...	<i>Qing dai wo qu...</i>
Xi'an Jiaotong Liverpool University	西交利物浦大学	<i>Xi jiao li wu pu da xue</i>
Kowloon Hospital	九龙医院	<i>Jiu long yi yuan</i>
Suzhou Train Station	苏州火车站	<i>Su zhou huo che zhan</i>
Suzhou Southern Bus Station	苏州汽车南站	<i>Su zhou qi che nan zhan</i>
Suzhou Northern Bus Station	苏州汽车北站	<i>Su zhou qi che bei zhan</i>
Xin Du Plaza	馨都广场	<i>Xin du guang chang</i>
In City	印象城	<i>Yin xiang cheng</i>
ABC Bank	中国农业银行	<i>Zhong guo nong ye yin hang</i>

## Emergencies 紧急情况 **jin ji qing kuang**

This is an emergency. I need your help.	这非常紧急。我需要你的帮助。	<i>Zhe fei chang jin ji. Wo xu yao ni de bang zhu.</i>
Please ring this number for me.	请帮我拨下这号码。	<i>Qing bang w obo xia zhe hao ma.</i>

## Shopping 逛街 **guang jie**

How much does this cost?	这个多少钱?	<i>Zhe ge duo shao qian?</i>
Do you have another one?	这个还有吗?	<i>Zhe ge hai you ma?</i>
Can you deliver to this address?	能送到这个地址吗?	<i>Neng song dao zhe ge di zhi ma?</i>

# Contact Details



China country code + 86  
Suzhou city code 0512  
Shanghai city code 021  
XJTU (Help Desk) 8816 1267  
Taxi 6777 6777  
Taxi Complaint 96520  
Information 118 114  
Tourism Complaint 6522 3377  
Bus Information 6525 2755  
Traffic Accident 122  
Law Assistance 12348  
Ambulance 120  
Fire 119  
Emergency 110  
Police 110  
China Telecom 10000

## XJTU University Address



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西交利物浦大学  
中国江苏苏州工业园区独墅湖高教区仁爱路 111 号  
邮政编码: 215123



## Jing Zhai Hotel

☎ 6260 1999 ext. 8899  
Fax: 6260 5060

Address: No.158, Ren'ai Road, SIP 工业园区独墅湖高教区仁爱路 158 号中国人民大学国际学院院内 (距离西交利物浦大学约五到十分钟步行路程)

**NB** This is the venue for the Thursday night's Conference Buffet Dinner