Implementation of PKU-UT Dual Degree Program

1. PKU students to UT

Since classical mechanics and electrodynamics are not offered for graduate students at PKU, PKU students will take these two courses at UT, and take the other two core courses, quantum mechanics and statistical mechanics, and other courses at PKU. As a result, course accreditation is needed so that students do not bear extra load of course work.

2. UT students to PKU

It is recommended that UT students get master degrees before moving to PKU. The major advantage is that the course requirement of the PhD program at PKU for students with master degrees is minimal: 4 hours language class; 8 hours physics classes which can be satisfied by seminar-like classes.

Once the UT students get their master degrees, they can apply for admission to PKU. The application forms can be found at http://www.oir.pku.edu.cn/en/apply_intel1.htm. The HSK exam (Chinese version of TOEFL) can be exempted at the request of International Center for Quantum Materials (ICQM). The final decision of admission is made by related admission committees. For example, if the students are
applying the PhD programs at ICQM, the admission decision is made by the admission committee at ICQM. The Office of International Students only handles the paperwork, and do not make decisions.

PKU has 30 scholarships for international students from the Chinese government. The competition for these scholarships is not strong at this stage: almost all international students who are admitted to the PhD programs in sciences have been offered this scholarship. This scholarship covers the tuition, the boarding cost of a dorm room (one occupant, not shared), additional 2000 yuan for other living expenses, and a comprehensive insurance which includes accidental injury and hospitalization coverage. The detailed information of this insurance can be found in the attached file. In addition, PKU will reimburse the student with this scholarship 90% of the cost of outpatient visit to hospitals, a medical benefit for usual Chinese students.

The websites for the School of Physics, PKU and International Center for Quantum Materials, PKU are http://www.phy.pku.edu.cn/ and http://icqm.pku.edu.cn