Shijia Qian

MSc Biotechnology, Bioprocessing & Business Management
Shijia is from China and graduated with Distinction in 2018

Shijia’s background and a bit about why she chose Warwick
“I completed a BSc in Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Chemistry at Maynooth University, Ireland and a BEng in Pharmaceutical Engineering in Changzhou University, China.

A friend introduced Warwick University to me and I searched for the course structure on Warwick’s website. I thought it was very interesting and was suitable for my career plans.”

Shijia’s first impressions of Warwick
“A university with a large campus so it was easy to get lost at the very beginning!”

What did Shijia like most about the University and her degree?
“I can study both science and business management during this one-year course. It’s fantastic for people who are interested in both business and the pharmaceutical sector.”
**What does Shijia feel she gained from her degree?**

“I learned how to research, how to discover new ideas or research questions, and how to solve academic problems. Masters courses are very different from Bachelor courses. It taught me how to keep calm and deal with new things that I never learned before.

My tutor and mentor groups gave me useful career guidance and taught me how to write personal resumes.

**What is Shijia doing now?**

“I now work for WuXi Biologics which is a sub-company of WuXi AppTec. WuXi Biologics is responsible for providing biologics services to the global pharmaceutical market. WuXi pharma is the biggest domestic CRO (Contract Research Organisation) company in China and so I can learn from this large platform in the future. The interviews had three rounds and lasted for a whole month but I finally passed and was the only successful candidate. My job involves new proposal generation, and I will work with both technical experts and business teams.

**Shijia’s advice to prospective student**

“If you encounter any problems, please do not hesitate to contact your tutor groups, your classmates, and any Warwick staff, they will always be there to help you. Enjoy the course and essays! Enjoy the ducks, geese and swans! Enjoy the life at Warwick!”