2019 FISU UNIVERSITY WORLD CUP FOOTBALL

Jinjiang, China | 21 Nov – 1 Dec

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- 2019 was the inaugural edition of the FISU University World Cup Football. Previously, Football was part of the Summer World University Games

- The event used 14 football venues for competition and training

- **Jinjiang Football Park Stadium** was the biggest arena with 8,000 seats

- Portuguese superstar Luis Figo was the event's official ambassador

- Former Argentina international footballer **Juan Sebastien Veron** attended the Opening Ceremony

- 24 university teams – 16 male and 8 female

- 432 footballers
    - 8 teams from Asia
    - 4 teams from the Americas
    - 2 teams from Oceania
    - 1 team from Africa
    - 9 teams from Europe

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MEN'S TOURNAMENT

GROUP A	GROUP B
TAIYUAN U TECH (CHN)	BKK THONBURI U (THA)
U OF WOLLONGONG (AUS)	KOTEBE METROP U (ETH)
U OF WÜRZBURG (GER)	BEIJING INST TECH (CHN)
U OF MALAGA (ESP)	AUT U MEXICO ST (MEX)

GROUP C	GROUP D
PAULISTA U (BRA)	U OF SPLIT (CRO)
MYONGJI U (KOR)	SMOLENSK SPORT ACAD (RUS)
BORYS G KYEV U (UKR)	HONG KONG POLY U (HKG)
INT U LNG MEDIA (ITA)	U OF REPUBLIC (URU)

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WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

GROUP A	GROUP B
BEIJING NORMAL U (CHN)	COL ASIAN SCHOLARS (THA)
PAULISTA U (BRA)	SIBERIAN FED U (RUS)
U OF SYDNEY (AUS)	DONGHUA U (CHN)
U OF LAUSANNE (SUI)	U OF OTTAWA (CAN)

SYDNEY UNI WOMEN'S TEAM

- Made up of SU Soccer Football Club and other student players

- 'Tier 2' standard; W League student players were unavailable

- No goal keeper; we took a talented basketball player instead

PERFORMANCE & BENEFITS

- Player for player, we were arguably better than Ottowa, but the Canadian team were by far the best unit

- First exposure to international-level football

- Significantly beneficial for football development. Most made the step-up to 1st Grade in the 2020 NPL season

- A terrific cultural travel experience

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