# **China Link Scholarship**

(Academic year 2023/24)

Based on Agreements/MOUs between the China Scholarship Council (CSC) and its foreign partners, this program is to reinforce long-term research collaboration and two-way staff/student mobility between designated foreign and Chinese universities. Scholarship opportunities will be available for talented students and academic staff from foreign universities to undertake a period of non-degree purpose study or scientific research at their Chinese partner universities. The academic visit could be conducted by an individual or as a group of people with mixture of both students and faculties, and started at any time throughout the academic year 2023/24.

## Eligibility

- 1. Citizen of a country other than the People's Republic of China.
- 2. Register as full-time student or employed as full-time academic staff at the home university by the time of application and throughout the proposed stay in China.
- 3. Meet relevant academic and language requirements of the Chinese host university.

# Study/Research Fields

All disciplines other than Chinese language study.

#### Duration

One (1) to twelve (12) months between September 1st, 2023 and August 31th, 2024

# Level of Application

General scholar: for current undergraduates or postgraduates Senior scholar: for current Ph.D candidates or faculties

#### Funding

Successful applicant will receive a full scholarship from CSC during their stay in China, including:

- Tuition fee
- Free on-campus accommodation
- Monthly stipend: CNY 3,000 for general scholar; CNY 3,500 for senior scholar
- Comprehensive medical insurance

## Checklist for Application

# Compulsory:

- ID Photo
- Valid passport bio page
- Recommendation Letter
- Pre-admission/Invitation Letter issued by Chinese host university
- Personal Statement or Research Proposal
- Current Transcripts
- Foreigners Physical Examination Form (only applicable to candidates staying in China for 6 months and above)

- Non-criminal Records Report (only applicable to candidates staying in China for 6 months and above)

## Optional:

- Language qualification certificate (HSK certificates, etc.)
- Papers or Articles Published
- Honors and Awards

## Working Language

The working language of the proposed academic visit in China could be in English or Chinese under the agreement by both sides, and it should be clarified in the pre-admission letter/invitation issued by the Chinese host universities.

## Chinese host institutions and programs

List of 289 universities and institutions <a href="https://campuschina.org/universities/index.html">https://campuschina.org/universities/index.html</a>

List of non-degree programs and instruction language <a href="https://campuschina.org/universities/categories.html">https://campuschina.org/universities/categories.html</a>

# Timeline

#### 1. 2023 Summer Session

#### March 2023

- Participating universities provide a full name list of scholarship nominees to CSC.
- Candidates complete CSC online application via <a href="https://www.campuschina.org/">https://www.campuschina.org/</a>

#### May 2023

- CSC send admission documents of scholarship awardees to participating universities.

# since July 2023

- Scholarship awardees set off to Chinese host universities.

# 2. 2023 Fall Semester Session

### May 2023

- Participating universities provide a full name list of scholarship nominees to CSC.
- Candidates complete CSC online application via <a href="https://www.campuschina.org/">https://www.campuschina.org/</a>

# July 2023

- CSC send admission documents of scholarship awardees to participating universities.

# since September 2023

- Scholarship awardees set off to Chinese host universities.

# 3. 2024 Spring Semester Session

### **November 2023**

- Participating universities provide a full name list of scholarship nominees to CSC.
- Candidates complete CSC online application via <a href="https://www.campuschina.org/">https://www.campuschina.org/</a>

## January 2024

- CSC send admission documents of scholarship awardees to participating

universities.

#### since March 2024

- Scholarship awardees set off to Chinese host universities.

#### 4. 2024 Summer Session

#### **March 2024**

- Participating universities provide a full name list of scholarship nominees to CSC.
- Candidates complete CSC online application via <a href="https://www.campuschina.org/">https://www.campuschina.org/</a>

# May 2024

- CSC send admission documents of scholarship awardees to participating universities.

## since July 2024

- Scholarship awardees set off to Chinese host universities.

## Outline of the application procedure (For foreign partner universities)

# 1. Confirmation of applicants' intention

Please confirm the intention of candidates participating in China Link Scholarship.

## 2. Pre-admission or invitation letter

Please help applicants contact Chinese universities to obtain the compulsory pre-admission or invitation letters officially issued. Detailed requirements please refer to *Appendix 1*.

## 3. Online application in CSC system

Please guide all participants to finish the online application in CSC system. Detailed instruction can be found in *Appendix 2*.

#### 4. Final nomination list

Please send the final nomination list of each session to CSC according to the timeline and remind all candidates submit online application on CSC system. A template of nomination list can be found in *Appendix 6*. For the convenience of admission documents delivery, please make sure the postal address and contact information are both correct. *Please check the timeline for the proposed closing date of different sessions.* 

# 5. Admission and Delivery

The admission will be finished after CSC receiving the feedback from Chinese universities. The formal Admission Notice and Visa Application Form will be sent to the applicants' current universities from CSC.

#### 6. Final admission list

The final admission name list will be sent to foreign universities by CSC via e-mail and post.

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