

2020

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS OF OAS MEMBER STATES

**Study in
The People's
Republic Of**

China



OAS Scholarships



▼ SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW:

PROGRAMS:	Undergraduate and graduate programs at Chinese universities accepting international students
MODALITY:	Onsite in The People's Republic of China
LANGUAGE:	Chinese and/or English
DURATION:	1 to 5 years, based on category of applicants
CALENDAR:	Online Scholarship Application: February 25, 2020
BENEFITS:	Registration, Tuition* and Books, and Study Materials; Accommodation; Subsistence; Medical Insurance; and Local Transportation <i>*The tuition fee of some special programs, including, but not limited to, a Master's Degree in Public Administration, <u>might exceed the maximum coverage of the scholarship (30,000 RMB/year)</u>. It's highly recommended that the scholarship applicants confirm with the university and make sure that the tuition fee is not excessive or the self-supporting charge is affordable.</i>

▼ CATEGORIES OF APPLICANTS AND DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIP:

Categories of Applicants	Duration of Studies	Duration of Remedial Chinese Language Training	Duration of Scholarship ¹
	Academic Years		
Bachelor's degree students	4-5	1-2 college preparatory courses	4-7
Master's degree students	2-3	1-2	2-5
Doctoral degree students	3-4	1-2	3-6
General scholars	1	1	Up to 2
Senior scholars	1	1	Up to 2

¹ Duration of scholarship specified at the time of admission CANNOT be extended in principle.

▼ LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS:

It is strongly recommended that all applicants have a good command of the English language.

Chinese institutions of higher education generally use Chinese as language of instruction. Applicants with no command of Chinese are generally required to take Chinese language courses for 1-2 years before their major studies.

Undergraduate programs are instructed in Chinese. Applicants with no competency in Chinese are generally required to take Chinese language courses for 1-2 years before starting their academic programs.

Only by passing the examinations after the college preparatory courses, students can start their university studies.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 1 year of Chinese language training is required for studies in the following fields:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Science▪ Engineering▪ Agriculture▪ Medicine (western medicine),▪ Economics, management and law. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 2 years of Chinese language training are required for studies in the following fields:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Literature▪ History▪ Philosophy▪ Medicine (traditional Chinese medicine, Chinese herb medicine) |

Some courses set for general scholars, senior scholars and postgraduate students in some universities may be conducted in English. Please refer to the Directory of Chinese Higher Education Institutions.

Note: *Students are not permitted, in principle, to change their subjects, institutions or the duration of study specified in the Admission Notice and Visa Application Form for Study in the People's Republic of China (JW201).*

▼ SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- A. **STEP 1:** The applicants shall apply through the **Chinese Government Scholarship Information System** (online application) by **February 25, 2020**.
- B. **STEP 2:** The applicants shall apply through the **OAS Fellowship Management System** (online application) by **February 25, 2020**.

A. Online Application Form through Chinese Government Scholarship Information System:

Complete the online application form through Chinese Government Scholarship Information System. This form must be completed in Chinese or in English and is available through the following link: www.campuschina.org.

Step 1: Log into: www.campuschina.org and click “Scholarship application for students.” *Applicants should register and account through “CREATE AN ACCOUNT” with a username and password before logging in.*

Step 2: Input Personal Details. Click “Edit Personal Details” and finish inputting personal details by filling in all the information, verifying and saving the information. After the completion of this section, return to the previous page by clicking “Finish” and start filling in your application information.

Step 3: Select the correct “Program Category”.

Step 4: Fill in the correct **Agency Number**. An Agency Number represents a specific application receiving agency and a correct choice of Program Category is necessary before filling in the Agency Number. **Program Category** and **Agency Number** are directly matched and both are mandatory for the online application, otherwise you will not be able to continue your online application and if both are not correct.

The ‘Program Category’ is “Type A” and the ‘AGENCY NO’ is 8401, which is the Education Office of the Chinese Embassy in Washington, D.C. Once the correct “Agency Number” is entered, the name of the agency will automatically emerge on the page.

Step 5: Please complete the online application form as accurately as possible, following the steps listed and on to the section of “Language Proficiency and Study Plan” and upload “Supporting Documents” as requested, then click “Submit” to complete the application. Check each part of your application carefully before submission. Please make sure that all the information and uploaded documents are valid and accurate.

With any inquiry concerning the available majors of each university, please visit the following website. <http://www.campuschina.org/universities/index.html>

“Catalog of Discipline Field, First-level Discipline and Specialty” is available from the “Help”, applicants could download the file to identify the relation between Discipline and Major.

Step 6: Review the application before completing and submitting the form online. Once submitted, amendment cannot be made on “Personal Details” and “Application Information”. You can revoke the submitted application by clicking withdraw and edit the application.

Step 7: Click” Print the Application Form” and download the form.

Step 7: Please click submit again to save all the changes.

**Hard copies are no longer required. Therefore, do not send such as indicated.*

Additional Note and Contact Information:

- I. According to the regulations of the MOE, applicants for undergraduate studies leading to a bachelor's degree in the fields of science, engineering, agriculture, medicine, and economics, are required to take one-year foundation courses (preparatory education). These courses include the fundamentals of Chinese language, mathematics, physics and chemistry. Students who pass the examinations of foundation courses can start their undergraduate studies on time, as specified in their Admission Letters. As stated in the chart above, this preparatory period is contemplated in the scholarship.
- II. Applicants are encouraged to apply for admission to the universities indicated in the Chinese Government Scholarship application. *Please note that the final university selection will be made by the China Scholarship Council.*
- III. Firefox or Internet Explorer (11.0) is strongly recommended, otherwise inconvenience may be caused by other browsers. For applicants using Internet Explorer, please close the "compatible view mode" function ahead of editing.
- IV. Only Chinese and English languages are accepted in the **Chinese Government Scholarship Information System** online application.
- V. For further information or assistance regarding the Chinese Scholarship application form, please contact: Mr. Robert Zhang at china_oas@yahoo.com

B. Online OAS Scholarship Application Form through OAS Fellowship Management System:

Step 1: Prepare and combine all the required supporting documents listed below into **ONE PDF** file.

Step 2: Complete and submit the **OAS Scholarship application** form and upload the supporting required documents in the space provided in the application form.

*You are required to upload the following documents where indicated in the online application form. Please note that all required supporting documents **must** first be combined into **ONE PDF** document before it can be uploaded in the application form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded, hence the aforementioned request. Please be guided accordingly.*

Required Supporting Documents

Documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with notarized Chinese or English translations.

- I. **Copy of highest diploma obtained (notarized):**
If applicants are university students or already employed, they shall also provide official proof of enrolment/student status from current institution or employment verification documents.
- II. **Copy of a government issued ID:**
Copy of the applicant's passport ID page.

III. **Academic Transcripts (notarized):**

Applicants for undergraduate studies are required to provide a notarized copy of high school transcripts. Applicants for the other categories of studies also need to provide relevant notarized transcripts from previous degrees obtained.

IV. **A Study Plan or Research Proposal:**

The study plan must be drafted in Chinese or in English (No less than 200 words for undergraduates, no less than 500 words for other categories of applicants or non-degree students. Detailed research proposal (additional paper can be attached) is required for graduate studies applicants or scholars for advanced studies (No less than 800 words for post graduate students).

PLEASE WRITE AN ANALYTICAL ESSAY AND DO NOT COPY A LISTING OF THE PROPOSED COURSE CATALOGUE OFFERINGS.

V. **Two letters of recommendation:**

The letters must be written in Chinese or English from professors or associate professors or current or previous employers. Applicants who apply while currently pursuing studies in the People's Republic of China for master or doctoral degree studies must submit the Admission Notice or Invitation Letter issued by the desired university.

- Applicants for music programs are requested to submit their own works.
- Applicants for fine arts programs must submit their own works, which includes two sketches, two color paintings and two other works).
- Applicants under the age of 18 should submit valid documents of their legal guardians in the People's Republic of China.

VI. **Copy of Foreigner Physical Examination Form** (issued by the Chinese Quarantine Authority and only for those whose period of study in the People's Republic of China is more than six months) completed in English. The physical examinations must cover all the items listed in the Foreigner Physical Examination Form. Incomplete records or those without the signature of the attending physician, the official stamp of the hospital and a sealed photograph of the applicant will be considered invalid. The medical examination results are valid for only 6 months. All applicants are kindly requested to take this factor into consideration when determining when to take the medical examination.

Note: Keep the **original Foreigner Physical Examination Form** reports with you for later use if you are selected for the scholarship. This Report will be needed during your registration at the university.

- VII. The copy of a pre-admission letter from a designated Chinese Government Scholarship Universities (if available).
- VIII. **Language Qualification Certificate (if applicable).** IELTS or TOEFL and applicants with valid HSK Certificates should include among the supporting documents submitted
- IX. If already enrolled in a Chinese university in current academic year, include a permission letter to continue your study (issued by your host university).

- X. Example of Art (6 color pictures) and Music Work (1 audio tape) (Only for the applicants for Fine Arts and Music)
- XI. You are required to write and include **two essays** in the OAS scholarship application form. The essays should be written in English. Each essay should have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

Essay 1	Essay 2
Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.	Explain how you intend to apply the acquired knowledge and experience in the specific field of study that you will pursue to the development of your country or region.

Reminder: All uploaded supporting documents must be clear, authentic and valid. Applicants are recommended to use professional device to scan the relevant documents. Applicants shall bear the consequences caused by unclear or unidentifiable uploaded materials.

[Click here for the Online Scholarship Application Form and List of Supporting Documents](#)

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED VIA EMAIL

▼ BENEFITS OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS²

A. Registration, Tuition and Books, and Study Materials:

- I. Registration, tuition, laboratory experiments, and internship fees.
 - *The tuition fee of some special programs, including, but not limited to, a Master's Degree in Public Administration, might exceed the maximum coverage of the scholarship (30,000 RMB/year). It's highly recommended that the scholarship applicants confirm with the university and make sure that the tuition fee is not excessive or the self-supporting charge is affordable.*
- II. *Costs of the laboratory experiments or internship beyond the university's arrangements should be covered by the student.*

² The provision and payment of all scholarship benefits, together with all arrangements necessary for assuring the Scholarship Recipient is able to complete his/her intended course of studies in China, are the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Government of China, except for the visa, travel to and from China, and certain course materials, which are the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Scholarship Recipient. Therefore, the acceptance of a scholarship shall imply the Scholarship Recipient's waiver of any and all claims against the OAS, its organs, and its personnel, that may arise in relation to the scholarship, the benefits thereof, and his/her presence in China under the scholarship, and if asked, the Scholarship Recipient will reaffirm that waiver in writing.

- III. Basic learning materials fee that covers the necessary learning materials required by the host institution. *Other materials shall be the expense of the student.*

B. Accommodation:

- I. Accommodation on campus, in shared dormitories and bathrooms.
- a) *Students who wish to be provided with private accommodation will have to specifically request this at the time of their application and cover the costs themselves.*
- II. An initial Accommodation Allowance: After registration, the following lump sum will be paid upon arrival in China:
- a) CNY 1,000 Yuan for new students who will study in China up to six months
- b) CNY 1,500 Yuan for new students who will study in China for one academic year or more.

C. Local Transportation:

1. Inter-city travel subsidy (one on arrival in China and one for departure from China). Scholarship students are supposed to choose the nearest port to their admitting institutions for inter-city travel and a hard-seat train ticket (hard-berth train ticket for overnight trip) will be provided for new scholarship students transferring from the port of entry in China upon registration to the city where the admitting institution, Chinese language training institution, or preparatory education institution is located.
2. Transportation will also be provided for students transferring from the Chinese language training institution or the preparatory education institution to the city where the university is located, as well as for students transferring from the city where the institution is located to the nearest port for departure upon graduation. Expenses for food during the trip and excess of baggage are the responsibility of the student.

D. Medical Insurance:

1. Outpatient medical service and a Comprehensive Medical Insurance and Benefit Plan for International Students in China fees. Fee for outpatient medical service refers to the outpatient expense in the institution's hospital or the hospitals entrusted by the institution. The students should pay for a certain percentage of expense in accordance with the institution's relevant regulations.
2. Comprehensive Medical Insurance and Benefit Plan for International Students in China is provided by MOE (Ministry of Education of China) to scholarship students in case of serious hospitalizing and accidental injuries. The institutions or the entrusted medical assistance agency provide advancement service for insurance expenses and prepare claims for compensation with relevant payment receipts from the insurance company according to the stipulated insurance articles. Claims from the individual student will not be accepted by the insurance company.

E. Subsistence:

1. Monthly living allowance provided to students by the host institution at the following rates (CNY Yuan per month):
 - Undergraduates: CNY 2,500 Yuan
 - Master's degree students, general scholars: CNY 3,000 Yuan
 - Doctoral degree students, senior scholars: CNY 3,500 Yuan
2. Scholarship recipients shall receive their monthly allowance after registration. New students who register before the 15th of the registration month will receive the full amount of the living allowance of that month. Those who register after 15th will receive half the amount of that month. Scholarship recipients will receive an additional living allowance equivalent to 15 days, after the graduation date set by the university. The allowance will be terminated the month after the student suspends, drops, or completes his/her studies.
3. The monthly allowance covers school holidays and can be received during or after the holiday break. The allowance will be suspended for one month for those students who do not register on time without permission from the university, leave for non-medical reasons or are absent from the university for over a month.
4. Students who have to suspend their studies because of serious medical reasons should return to the home country and cover their own airfare. The living allowance will be suspended at the time of departure. With the university's approval, the scholarship status can be reserved for a maximum of one year. The scholarship will be terminated for those who suspend their studies for other reasons.

RESPONSIBILITY OF STUDENTS:

THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COVERING:

1. Some of the learning materials (estimated at US\$500.00)
2. Roundtrip air tickets, to and from the People's Republic of China.
3. Student visa fees³ (varies per country)

IMPORTANT NOTE:

1. Scholarship recipients might be charged some set-up fees upon arrival in the People's Republic of China (*that is, student ID card, internet, rent deposit, residence permit, bank account, etc.*).
2. It is recommended that scholarship recipients **bring between US\$500 and US\$800 to cover those settlement expenses** while awaiting the first scholarship disbursement from the China Scholarship Council.

³ CSC will issue a certification letter that selected candidates must take to Consulate or Embassy of China to obtain proper travel visa.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Provisions:

I. Applicants must:

- Be Non-Chinese citizens
- Be citizens or permanent residents of an [OAS Member State](#).
 - Applicants from **Argentina** must fill out a required form through the following link; <http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc> and send it to the [National Liaison Office \(ONE\)](#) in Argentina.
- Be in good physical and mental health to successfully undertake and finish the program of study.
- Return to their sponsoring country and reside there for at least two years upon completion of the program of study in the People's Republic of China.

II. Education background and age limit:

- Applicants for undergraduate programs must have senior high school diploma with good academic performance and be under the age of 25.
- Applicants for master's degree programs must have bachelor's degree and be under the age of 35.
- Applicants for doctoral degree programs must have master's degree and be under the age of 40.
- General scholar applicants must have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies and be under the age of 45, and may study all majors except the Chinese language.
- Senior scholar applicants must have master's degree or above, or hold academic titles of associate professor or above, and be under the age of 50.

SELECTION OF INSTITUTIONS AND SPECIALTY:

A. Applicants may choose one academic program and up to three institutions as personal preferences from the list of Chinese higher education institutions designated by the MOE.

B. Please check the Directory of Chinese Higher Education Institutions admitting International Students under Chinese Government Scholarship Program (www.campuschina.org) & Academic Programs or the website of the CSC (www.campuschina.org 4) for details.

C. Applicants are required to fill in their preferences of institutions and academic programs strictly in accordance with those listed in the Directory.

⁴ Only programs that have the red star (*) are in Higher Education Institutions admitting international students.

▼ SELECTION CRITERIA:

- A. The merits and overall credentials of the applicant, including academic and/or professional experience will be evaluated according to the following criteria:
 - I. The quality of the written essays including how well the candidate explains the impact they believe their studies will have on their institution/community/country.
 - II. For graduate candidates:
 - a) The candidate's university grade point average (GPA) and class ranking which should be considered superior by his or her country/institution.
 - b) Academic papers, writing and art works published
 - c) The level of completeness of the required documentation and the detail put into the preparation of the application.
 - d) The quality of the recommendation letters which attest to the candidate's ability to perform and to succeed as a scholarship recipient.
 - e) The references should additionally describe what contribution and impact the recommender believes the candidate will have on the institution/community/country.
- B. The potential and commitment of the candidate to apply the knowledge and skills acquired to the development of the sponsoring country.

▼ SELECTION PROCESS AND NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

- A. CSC will assess all application documents and CSC reserves the right to make necessary adjustments to the proposed institutions, specialties and duration of study, as well as the benefits and requirements mentioned above. Qualified applications will be forwarded to the academic institutions and they will forward their nominations to CSC for agreement. Applications will be regarded as invalid and will not be accepted if they fail to meet the enrollment requirements or if the application documents are incomplete.
- B. If overseas applicants for degree programs with exemption of examinations are academically ineligible to the proposed programs, the institution reserves the right to decide the academic program they could attend or whether to give them conditional offers for their proposed programs. Students who attend Chinese language courses prior to their university study or those who attend the college preparatory program must pass the university entrance examinations or other examinations required before they start their major studies. Students attending the college preparatory program who fail to pass the required examinations within the allotted period will finish studying in the People's Republic of China as a language student; hence they will not begin their undergraduate/graduate course of study in the People's Republic of China.
- C. Applicants are required to enclose the relevant admission notice from Chinese Higher Education Institutions, if they have one, in the documents submitted to the OAS. Scholarship applicants academically accepted by Chinese HEIs will be officially awarded the Chinese Government Scholarship with approval from the CSC.
- D. Students are required to sign their Admission Notice, if they have no objection with the placement, and are not permitted, in principle, to change their specialties, institutions or the duration of study specified in the Admission Notice.
- E. The OAS will conduct a pre-selection process after February 25, 2020.

- F. The Education office of the Embassy of China in the U.S will select CGS candidates in March 2020 and send an “Award Letter” to them. Face to face or internet interviews may be arranged during this time. If you haven’t received any letter by the end of April, that probably means you are not selected as a candidate.
- G. The CSC in Beijing will forward the application to universities for placement approval from May-June 2020.
- H. The CSC will conduct a final selection in June 2020 and the OAS will forward Admission Letters and Visa Application Forms for Study in the People’s Republic of China (JW 201) to the selected candidates.
- I. The OAS will officially announce the selected scholarship awardees in June-July 2020.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to scholarships@oas.org with the subject “OAS-China Scholarship Program”

▼ FOR MORE INFORMATION:



www.oas.org/scholarships

<https://twitter.com/OASscholarships>

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