China Link Scholarship Program

• Program Introduction

In order to deepen the academic friendship and mutual understanding between Chinese and foreign young generation, and to build a platform for the international exchanges and cooperation of young talents, China Scholarship Council (CSC) has established the China Link Scholarship Program for international students and faculties hoping to engage in academic and research activities in China.

• Program Scheme

1. Funding Categories

General scholar: applicable to current undergraduates or master students.

Senior scholar: applicable to current Ph. D students or faculties

2. Duration

1-12 months

Start study in China no later than August 31, 2025.

3. Working Language

English or Chinese, depending on the program provided by the Chinese host universities.

4. Study/Research Fields:

All disciplines other than Chinese language study.

Funding

Successful applicants will receive a full scholarship from CSC during their stay in China, including a tuition waiver, free on-campus accommodation, comprehensive medical insurance and monthly stipend (CNY 3,000 for general scholars; CNY 3,500 for senior scholars).

Eligibility

1. Be a citizen of a country other than the People's Republic of China and be in good health, both mentally and physically.

- 2. Be under 45 years of age when applying for general scholars. Be under 50 years of age when applying for senior scholars.
- 3. Be registered as a full-time student or employed as a full-time academic staff at CSC's foreign partner universities at the time of application and throughout their proposed stay in China.
 - For a list of CSC's foreign partner universities, please refer to *Appendix 1*.
- 4. Have received either the admission notice or the invitation letter issued by the Chinese host university.
 - For a list of Chinese host universities, please refer to *Appendix 2*.

Application Process

- 1. Applicants should contact the Chinese host university to obtain admission documents or invitations.
- 2. Applicants should log into the Chinese Government Scholarship Information System (https://studyinchina.csc.edu.cn/#/login) to complete CSC online application and upload supporting documents. For the online application guide, please refer to Appendix 3.
- 3. Application will be processed by Chinese host universities.

Application Materials:

- (1)ID photo
- (2)Passport Homepage: Applicant shall submit a clear scanned copy of his/her ordinary passport within validity.
- (3)Certificate of Highest Education: Please submit a school letter or employment letter issued by your current foreign university.
- (4)Transcripts of Highest Education
- (5)Study Plan: Personal Statement or Research Proposal in Chinese or English, at least 500 words.
- (6)Physical Examination Record for Foreigner: Applicants planning to stay in China for more than 6 months must submit a photocopy of the Foreigner Physical Examination Form completed in English or Chinese (Appendix 4). Applicants staying in China less than 6 months could upload a personal health statement instead.
- (7)Non-criminal records report: Applicants planning to stay in China for more than 6 months must submit a photocopy of the non-criminal records report

- issued by the public authority at current residency. Applicants staying in China less than 6 months could submit a non-criminal records statement instead.
- (8)Pre-admission Letter: pre-admission documents or invitation letter issued by the Chinese host university (optional)
- (9)Papers or Articles Published (optional)
- (10)Language Proficiency Certificate (optional)