

CHINESE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS 2017/18



OVERVIEW

The Chinese Government offers up to 5 full scholarships to non-Chinese citizens who are currently at Oxford to study a variety of disciplines, primarily at postgraduate level, at a wide choice of Chinese universities. The scholarships offer up to 7 years of funding, including up to 2 years of Chinese language tuition (if needed). The scholarship covers tuition, lodging, medical insurance, and a living stipend. The scheme is administered by the China Scholarship Council (CSC) in collaboration with the People's Republic of China (PRC) Embassy in London. The University of Oxford will nominate up to 5 candidates to commence study in China in the autumn of 2017.

ELIGIBILITY

Nationality:	All non-Chinese citizens
Fee status:	Home/EU and Overseas
Level of study:	Undergraduate or postgraduate students who are completing a programme of study at Oxford
Year of study:	Final year
Subject:	All subjects

AWARD

Duration:	Up to 7 years of funding, including up to 2 years of Chinese language tuition (if needed).
Value:	The scholarship covers tuition, lodging, medical insurance, and a living stipend.
Number:	Up to 5 nominations
Website:	Full scholarship details are available at the China Scholarship Council website (http://www.csc.edu.cn/laihua/scholarshipdetailen.aspx?cid=97&id=3157), which explains the remit of the scheme, including eligibility criteria, a list of participating Chinese universities, full scholarship benefits and medical arrangements. Please read the details carefully.

HOW TO APPLY

1) You firstly need to register on the CSC website, and fill in their application form:

<http://en.csc.edu.cn/Laihua/noticeen.html>

PLEASE NOTE:

- The CSC website will not function properly on Mozilla Firefox – please use Internet Explorer.
- The Program Application Category is **Type A**.
- The Agency Number for the UK is **8261**. The Agency Number represents a specific application receiving agency. It is listed in the first blank under “Personal Data”. Please make sure to fill this in correctly. Otherwise you will not be able to continue or your application will not be accepted.
- Applicants are required to select a discipline before choosing their majors. Please refer to the Disciplines Index, which can be downloaded from the Help section, if you have any doubts about the disciplines and majors.
- Submit and print off **two copies** of the application at the end of this stage.

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2) Complete the Oxford application form including two letters of recommendation.

The University of Oxford has to nominate up to five candidates. Please complete the Oxford application form and submit two letters of recommendation from Oxford academics.

PLEASE NOTE: The Oxford application form and letters of recommendation should be completed in English.

3) Submit the requested CSC application materials

The application materials are detailed on the CSC website and are reproduced below. Note that the CSC website uses international terminology, rather than the terminology used at Oxford. Explanations are therefore given in italics and square brackets [] after each of these to clarify what the CSC does and does not require at this stage.

i) 'Application form for Chinese Government Scholarship in Chinese or in English'

[i.e. the application form that you printed off from the CSC website when you registered and applied online at: <http://en.csc.edu.cn/Laihua/noticeen.html>]

ii) 'Highest diploma (notarised copy)'

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

*[If you are currently an Oxford undergraduate, you can request an on-course transcript:
<http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/graduation/transcripts.>]*

[If you are a Master's student, you will need to provide a photocopy of the certificate or transcript from your undergraduate course. We will stamp this for you to 'notarise' it.]

iii) 'Academic transcripts (notarised copy)'

'Transcripts in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with translations in Chinese or English.'

'Applicants for undergraduate studies are required to provide notarised copy of senior high school transcripts' *[A-level, International Baccalaureate, Abitur or equivalent.]*

iv) 'A study or research plan in Chinese or in English'

[Please use the Research Plan you submitted for the Oxford Application. This should be a minimum of 200 words for undergraduate students, 500 words for non-degree students, and 800 words for graduate students.]

v) 'Recommendation letters'

'Applicants for master or doctoral degree studies must submit two letters of recommendation in Chinese or English by professors or associate professors.'

[Please use the letters of recommendation you submitted for the Oxford Application.]

vi) 'Applicants for music studies'

'Applicants are requested to submit one CD recording of the applicants' own work. Applicants for Fine Arts must submit six colour photographs of personal works on a CD (two sketches, two colour paintings and two other works).'

vii) 'Applicants under the age of 18 should submit the legal documents of their legal guardians in China.'

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viii) 'Photocopy of Foreigner Physical Examination Form'

[Written in English, only required for applicants planning to stay in China for more than 6 months. Incomplete forms or forms without the signature of the attending physician, or the official stamp of the hospital, or a sealed photograph of the applicant are considered invalid.]

ix) Copy of the pre-admission letter from designated Chinese university (if available)

x) Copy of the HSK Certificate (if available)

Closing date: 12 noon on Friday 10 February 2017

Please send **two copies** of your completed application to the following address:
Student Fees and Funding, Examination Schools, 75 – 81 High Street,
Oxford OX1 4BG

Contact details: studyabroad@admin.ox.ac.uk

RESULTS

We will inform you of the University's decision to nominate you for the scholarship shortly after the closing date. Please note that a nomination is no guarantee that the scholarship will be awarded, since the final decision is made by the China Scholarship Council. If successful, students will receive award notices from the Chinese Embassy in March. These should be forwarded to your chosen Universities to obtain a pre-admission notice. Pre-admissions notices need to be submitted to Student Fees and Funding by **Monday 10 April 2017**. In July, students will receive the official documentation from the Chinese Embassy.

If you have any queries, please email the Study Abroad Co-ordinator: studyabroad@admin.ox.ac.uk