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MOFCOM Scholarship Programme in China – 2026

Master Programme of Professional Accounting Programme – Shanghai National Accounting Institute

The Government of the People's Republic of China has invited nominations from eligible government sector officials for the above-mentioned scholarship programme. Detailed information on the programme, together with the 2026 Enrolment Guide, including eligibility criteria, scholarship coverage, and application procedures, are annexed herewith and will also be made available on the Department of External Resources (ERD) website (www.erd.gov.lk).

This programme is designed to equip participants with functional expertise, strategic perspectives, and public policy management competencies required to operate effectively in a dynamic and evolving environment. It further provides an opportunity to gain valuable insights into both the achievements and challenges of China's policy-making processes, thereby enhancing participants' understanding of development practices.

Accordingly, you are kindly requested to circulate the programme details among the Departments, Divisions, and Institutes gazetted under your purview and to forward suitable nominations to the ERD. Nominations should be submitted in compliance with TA Circular No. 2013/2014(ii) dated 24 October 2013 of the Ministry of Finance and Planning, together with the following documents:

- Nomination Letter from the respective Ministry (covering letter with recommendation)
- Duly completed Application Form (computer fillable version), downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk
- Soft copy of the completed Application Form in Word format, with an inserted electronic passport-size photograph (to be emailed to info@erd.gov.lk)
- Physical Examination Form (downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk)
- Duly completed ERD Form (downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk)
- One coloured scanned copy of the passport (bio-data page), valid for at least six months from the commencement date of the programme
- All other documents specified in the application procedure outlined in the attached information document, and any other documents required under the respective university application process.

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Applicants are further required to submit their applications through the online application system of the respective university, in accordance with the relevant enrolment guidelines. In addition, applicants are requested to access the China Scholarship Council (CSC) online application portal (www.campuschina.org) and register under "Scholarship Application for Students." Applicants should carefully adhere to the application procedures stipulated in the 2026 Enrolment Guide.

Applicants are advised to ensure strict compliance with all eligibility criteria specified in the Enrolment Guide, including academic qualifications, age limits, and service requirements, where applicable.

It is also kindly requested that each nomination be duly certified and endorsed by the Head of the respective Department/Institution, confirming that the applicant meets all eligibility requirements and that the nomination is submitted with official concurrence.

Please ensure that complete applications are submitted to ERD on or before **4:00 p.m. on 12 May 2026**. Ministries are kindly requested to complete their internal screening and approval processes sufficiently in advance to facilitate timely submission. Only duly completed applications (items i–vii), received on or before the stipulated deadline, will be considered. Incomplete or non-compliant applications will not be processed.

Applications received by ERD will be forwarded to the Economic and Commercial Office of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Sri Lanka for the selection process. Shortlisted candidates will be informed in due course regarding the subsequent steps of the admission process.

For any clarifications relating to the application procedure, applicants may contact the Department of External Resources through the designated focal point of the Ministry/ institution.

Please note that, upon confirmation of selection, nominees are expected to honour their acceptance and refrain from withdrawal except under exceptional and unavoidable circumstances. As these opportunities are extended for the benefit of the country, withdrawals after selection may adversely affect Sri Lanka's standing and result in the loss of valuable training opportunities, while depriving other deserving officers. Accordingly, Ministries and applicants are kindly requested to ensure that nominations are submitted only with a firm and unconditional commitment to participate.

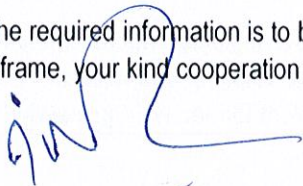
The Government of the People's Republic of China will provide a full scholarship covering the following expenses:

- Tuition fees
- Accommodation
- Round-trip international airfare
- Living allowance in China
- Medical insurance

The following expenses shall be borne by the applicant:

- Passport and visa fees

As the required information is to be submitted to the Embassy of the People's Republic of China within a limited timeframe, your kind cooperation in expediting the nomination process would be highly appreciated.



Tharanga Liyanage
Additional Director General
for Director General

Enclosed: /

1. 2026 Enrolment Guide, China Scholarship Council
2. Master Programme of Professional Accounting Programme, Shanghai National Accounting Institute Information Guide



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2026 Master of Professional Accounting Program

Enrollment Guide

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Part One. Program Description

I. About the Program

1. Introduction of the Program

The Academic Education Programs sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China in 2008 is designed to foster high-end business officials and managerial personnel for the recipient countries, offering one-year and two-year master programs as well as three-year doctoral programs for the purpose of educating high-end and inter-disciplinary talents working in the applied fields of government, trade, foreign affairs, agriculture, technology, education, culture and health, building intellectual capacity and facilitating the economic and social development of the recipient countries. These programs provide assistance to governmental officials, research fellows, and senior managerial personnel on their master and doctoral education in China, which are fully conducted in English. Admission requirements include a bachelor's degree, relevant work experience, and decent physical conditions, which are essential for the intense study needed for obtaining the degrees. These graduates are now working in their fields of specialization in their home countries and are undertaking an increasingly significant role in the economic development cooperation between China and their home countries.



In 2015, Shanghai National Accounting Institute started to offer the two-year “Master of Professional Accounting Program” with the support of the Ministry of Commerce of People’s Republic of China. So far 277 government officials, scholars and managerial personnel from 36 developing countries have joined the program. Most of them come from

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public sectors such as ministry of finance, central bank, audit office, etc. The program aims to cultivate high-level, interdisciplinary and application-oriented talents in the fields of accounting, finance and management for developing countries. After completing their studies and returning to their home countries, the alumni of the program generally have achieved good career development. They have made positive contributions to promoting the bilateral economic and trade cooperation as well as the friendly relations between their home countries and China in their respective positions.

We believe that by participating in the program and obtaining the degree, you will be able to acquire professional knowledge and expertise, thereby realizing your life value and purpose and in the meantime contributing to the social and economic development of your own countries.



2. Prospective Students

Government officials, managerial personnel from state-owned enterprises as well as researchers or university lecturers from developing countries with bachelor's degree or above in the field of economics, management etc. Applicants with government work experience or policy making experience are preferred.

3. Program Objective

The Program is designed to train experienced, application-oriented and high-caliber talents in the field of accounting, finance and

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management to be financial managers, researchers or policymakers with profound expertise and strong analytical and decision-making ability.

4. Enrollment Plan

We plan to enroll a maximum of 30 students in our two-year full-time Master of Professional Accounting Program. The teaching language is English.

5. Scholarship Coverage

- Students are exempt from tuition fees.
- Free on-campus accommodation.
- One-off resettlement fee of 3000 RMB.
- Stipend: 36,000 RMB/person/year (3,000 RMB per month) for Master's Degree, to be paid monthly according to the actual time of their stay in China.
- Free medical insurance for international students (will be purchased by the school).
- One-time round-trip international airfare (first time fly to China after enrollment, and fly back to home country upon graduation), and one time home-visit international airfare during the term of study.
- The annual review is compulsory for all students. Those who pass the review may continue to enjoy full scholarships in the next year.
- After coming to China, students are required to take the Physical Examination again, and the cost is not included in the scholarship.
- Since stipend remittance takes some time, we strongly recommend you prepare a certain amount of cash (500 US dollars or equivalent RMB) before coming to China.
- Other expenses will be managed and used by MOFCOM or the school and will not be distributed to students. MOFCOM only provides students with financial assistance within their enrolled academic duration. Students who delay graduation for any reason will not receive continued funding.

II. Introduction of the Institute

1. About SNAI

The Shanghai National Accounting Institute (SNAI) was officially established in September 2000 with the strong support of the Chinese government. It is a national-level high-end training base for talents in accounting, finance and management affiliated to the Ministry of Finance of China (MOF). It is also the location of the Asia-Pacific Finance and Development Institute (AFDI), which was established by the Chinese government to promote regional capacity building. Over the past 20 years, SNAI has sought to find pedagogy proper for senior financial and accounting professionals, cultivate high-end talents for the accounting sector and provide advanced continuing education for macroeconomic regulators, large-and-medium-sized SOEs, financial institutions and intermediaries. Today, SNAI has created its own unique teaching methodology underpinned by the three pillars of degree education, executive development program and distance education. Since 2011, SNAI has been approved by the Academic Degrees Committee of the State Council as the institute for conferring master's degrees in professional accounting, auditing, tax and finance. In 2024, SNAI was approved by the Academic Degrees Committee of the State Council of PRC as Doctoral Degree Conferring Unit and is authorized to conduct professional PhD program in Auditing. Looking forward, SNAI will continue to make unremitting efforts to build it into a leading accounting institute with international recognition, which constitutes the realization of four sub-goals as being a highland in bringing up top accounting talents in China, a think tank for national accounting policymaking and corporate finance, a nationwide knowledge and information hub on accounting, and an international platform for communication and exchange in accounting.

2. About AFDI

The Asia-Pacific Finance and Development Institute (AFDI) which is co-located at SNAI, was initiated by the Chinese Central Government for capacity building under the APEC framework. Since the establishment in 2001, cooperating with international organizations such as the Asian Development Bank, World Bank, New Development Bank, UNIDO, ACCA, etc., AFDI has conducted various capacity building trainings, seminars, forums and research on regional financial and development issues.

To promote South-South cooperation and capacity building in the fields of finance and development for developing countries, in 2015, AFDI launched the “**Master of Professional Accounting Program**”, which aims

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to provide professional master's degree education to the young and mid-aged finance and economic officials from developing countries in the world. A total of 277 international students from 36 developing countries around the world have been enrolled. They are mainly officials from public sectors such as the ministry of finance, central bank, and audit office of their home countries.



3. Environment and Facilities

With a humid subtropical monsoon climate, Shanghai has a very pleasant climate with four distinct seasons. Shanghai enjoys abundant sunshine and rainfall throughout the year. Spring and autumn in Shanghai are relatively short with longer summer and winter. More than 60% of the rainfall in the whole year concentrated in the flood season from May to September. The hottest seasons are from July to August with more than 10 days above 35 °C per year. The coldest seasons are from late December to the end of February.

SNAI campus covers an area of 34.67 hectares and a floor area of 87,000 square meters. Its geographical location also is favorable, being adjacent to Shanghai Hongqiao International Airport and National Exhibition and Convention Center. The park-like campus is equipped with first-class teaching and learning facilities, and a common kitchen, as well

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as single room accommodations with private bathroom, 24-hour air conditioning, hot water and internet connection for the international students during their schooling. The food price at SNAI's dining hall is around 23-35 RMB per day.



III. Education Plan

1. Program Structure

The program curriculum comprises four basic modules, namely Public Core Courses (11 credits), Professional Courses I (18 credits), Professional Courses II (11 credits), and Electives (1 credit). The total credits are 41 and the minimum credit requirement for obtaining a master's degree is 40.

Course Type	Course Title	Credits	Semester			
			1	2	3	4
Public Core Courses	Chinese Language	8	√	√	√	
	Introduction to China	3	√	√		
	Subtotal: 2 courses	11				
Professional Courses I	Financial Accounting: Theory and Practice	2	√			
	Corporate Finance: Theory and Practice	2		√		
	Auditing Theory and Practice	1		√		
	Management Accounting: Theory and Practice	2		√		
	International Accounting Standards and Comparison	2		√		
	Business, Technology and Professional Ethics	1	√			
	Thematic Lectures on Finance and Economics	2	√	√	√	√
	Field Study of China's Reform and Development	4	√	√	√	√
	Information Retrieval and Thesis Writing	2	√	√	√	
Subtotal: 9 courses	18					

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Course Type	Course Title	Credits	Semester			
			1	2	3	4
Professional Courses II	International Financial Cooperation	2	√			
	Financial Markets and Instruments	2			√	
	Strategy Management and Leadership	1		√		
	Development Economics	2			√	
	Financial System Reform in China	2			√	
	International Business	2			√	
	Subtotal: 6 courses	11				
Electives	Principles of Accounting	1	√			
	Subtotal: 1 course	1				
Total		41	Minimum credit requirement for obtaining master's degree is 40.			

Note: Courses may vary slightly from one year to another and subject to final approval by the SNAI Academic Committee.

2. Main Instructors Profile (In alphabetical order by family name)

Prof. LI Kouqing

Deputy Director One of the CAREC Institute, professor and doctoral supervisor of Shanghai National Accounting Institute, Vice President of China Enterprise Management Research Association, Standing director of China Accounting Society, Vice president of China Association of Chief Accountants. He holds a doctoral degree in Business Administration from the Shanghai University of Finance and Economics. Before joining CAREC Institute, he was President of Shanghai National Accounting Institute, Director of ASEAN (10+3) Macroeconomic Research Office (AMRO), and a member of the National Accounting Graduate Education Steering Committee.

Kelson Liu (LIU Qinghua)

Kelson Liu acts as finance director of Hologic, which is listed in Nasdaq. As a part time lecturer, the major academic cooperation partner includes SHUFE-Shanghai University of Finance & Economics, Shanghai National Accounting Institute, Beijing National Accounting Institute etc. He is a member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) China Expert Forum, and Global Board Director of IMA. He is also a member of US IMA – Institute of Management Accounting, US IIA – Institute of Internal Auditor, UK ACCA – The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, US AFP-Association of Finance Professional.

Prof. TONG Chengsheng

Professor at Shanghai National Accounting Institute. With a Ph.D. in Management (Accounting), he is now serving as Professor of Department of Teaching and Research at Shanghai National Accounting Institute, as well as supervisor of master students at Shanghai University of Finance and Economics. With long-term teaching and research experience in management accounting, cost management and financial management, he has published a number of papers in major domestic academic journals such as Accounting Research. He has also participated as a core member in the research program funded by National Social Science Foundation, and led a project subordinated to the key program funded by Department of Science of National Natural Science Foundation of China.

Prof. Shirley Xie (XIE Shilei)

Professor at the School of Accounting, Zhejiang Gongshang University, serves the school as the associate dean responsible for undergraduate education and international cooperation programs. She holds a Doctoral degree in Business Administration from the School of Accounting, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics. She is a reputable lecturer on International/Chinese Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS/CAS) courses, especially with over 10 years experiences in teaching ACCA paper of Financial Reporting (FR). Equipped with profound knowledge in accounting standards, she has been enrolled in the second phase of the Training Project of International High-end Accounting Talents of the Ministry of Finance China in 2019. Apart from this, she has published papers in some authoritative Chinese academic journals, presided over scientific research projects and two provincial first-class courses in Zhejiang Province.

Dr. YAO Xianbin

Former Director General of Pacific Department of the Asian Development Bank. He holds a doctoral degree from Michigan State University, USA. He has long been committed to research on the development experience of different regions, countries and sectors, engaged in the development and implementation supervision of multiple projects, participated in leading high-level policy dialogues and strategic planning, guided planning and provided financing and advisory services, promoted regional financing and knowledge partnerships. He has led the research and production of several ADB publications.

Prof. YE Jianfang

Professor and doctoral supervisor of Shanghai University of Finance

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and Economics, and an advisory member of the Accounting Standards Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Finance. She holds a doctorate degree in financial management (accounting major), and a Certified public accountant in China and a Certified Public accountant in Australia. She has published more than 80 papers in authoritative journals at home and abroad and won the excellent paper Award of Chinese Accounting Society. Presided over a number of accounting standards of the Ministry of Finance and won awards; She has published many monographs and edited "Accounting English", which was awarded the key teaching material of the Ministry of Education's "Eleventh Five-Year Plan" and "Twelfth Five-Year Plan".

4. Featured Course

- Focusing on the themes of "Understanding of Chinese Government and Financial Policies", "Development and Innovation of Chinese Enterprises", "Rural Revitalization and Industrial Development of China", and "Learning of Chinese Culture and History", the field study on "China's Reform and Development" will be arranged for students to visit relevant Chinese government agencies, business enterprises, industrial clusters and cultural landmarks, to learn about China's success and lessons in social and economic development.

- The content of the ACCA module is embedded in the curriculum of the courses "Financial Accounting: Theory and Practice" and "Business, Technology and Professional Ethics". According to ACCA Exemption Policy, ACCA will provide program students an enhanced level of exemptions (Conditional Exemptions) from the ACCA Qualification.





5. Program Mode

The language of instruction is English. Classes will incorporate a mix of lectures, seminars, field visits and so on.

6. Program Semesters

The program lasts for two years and is divided into four semesters. While the first three semesters focus on course learning, including a one-week long field study in each semester, and the last one focuses on thesis writing. The program schedule is as follows:

The First Academic Year	The 1 st semester	Sept. 2026- Jan. 2027	Registration in Sept.
	Winter vacation	Jan. - Feb. 2027	Winter vacation
	The 2 nd semester	Mar. -Jul. 2027	
The Second Academic Year	Summer vacation	Jul. - Aug. 2027	Summer vacation
	The 3 rd semester	Sept. 2027 - Jan. 2028	
	Winter vacation	Jan. - Feb. 2028	Winter vacation
	The 4 th semester	Mar. - Jul. 2028	Graduation in July

7. Degree Thesis

1) General Requirements of Degree Thesis

Students are expected to bring specific research topics concerning accounting or financial management to the program, as a part of thesis research preparation. They will write a thesis on a special topic independently under the guidance of their supervisors using the theory and practice of accounting and related disciplines. In some special cases, it could also be a research report, or case analysis report with high standards. The thesis should be written in English with no less than 15,000 words.

2) Degree Thesis Defense

Degree thesis defense takes place in SNAI. A committee for Degree

Thesis Defense shall comprise three to five experts with equivalent qualifications in the subject or relevant subjects, including one or two external experts who are from practitioner organizations and have senior professional and technical titles.

8. Degree Requirements

Students are required to successfully complete a minimum of 40 credits of course work, a master thesis and thesis defense within the required period. After meeting the above requirements and receiving the approval of SNAI Academic Degree Evaluation Committee, the Degree of Master of Accounting will be awarded.

Part Two. Application

I . Requirement

All applicants must meet the following entrance requirements:

1. Applicants must be non-Chinese citizens under 45 years old (born after September 1, 1981).
2. All applicants shall be in good physical conditions and carry no infectious diseases which may have a serious impact on public health or fall into any of the health situations prohibited by China's Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations and able to submit the physical examination form issued by the local public hospital. The applicants with severe physical disability, hypertension, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases, diabetes, cancer and other serious chronic diseases, mental diseases or infectious diseases that may cause serious public health hazards and those who are under the recovery of major surgical treatment and during acute exacerbation or pregnancy are not suggested to apply for the program. If the students are pregnant during the study in China, they will be dismissed from the school according to the relevant regulations.
3. Applicants are required to have a valid passport, abide by the laws and decrees of the People's Republic of China as well as the rules and regulations of Shanghai National Accounting Institute, and respect the Chinese manners and customs.
4. Applicants must have attained a bachelor's degree or above,

three years or more work experience, professional study or work background related to the applied program.

5. Applicants are required to have a strong English proficiency that would enable them to attend the courses taught in English. (suggested standard: IELTS score above 6.0 or TOEFL IBT score above 80)

6. Applicants who have study or work experience relevant to the program are preferred.

7. Applicants should be mid-to-senior level government officials, senior managers at public institutions and enterprises, academicians at universities and research institutions.

8. Applicants should have potential for career development in their own fields and are willing to promote the communication and cooperation between China and their home countries.

9. Those who have already studied in China before or enrolled by other China Government Scholarship Program should not apply for this program.

10. Applicants must be recommended by the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office of the Chinese Embassy in their respective countries.

II . Procedure

1. Application to SNAI

Note: Please make sure that all the information you fill in the application form is accurate, especially your name, passport and home address, otherwise it will affect your admission and visa.

- 1). Register in SNAI online application system at <https://impacc.snai.edu>
- 2). Fill in the application form online and upload all the scanned copies of application documents.

2. Materials

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Documents		Requirements
1	Graduation certificate & degree	Graduation certificate and degree diploma must be original documents or notarized copies either in Chinese or in English.
2	Official academic transcripts	1. The transcripts must be original documents or notarized copies either in Chinese or in English. 2. The transcripts should include a full list of courses taken and standard achieved.
3	Personal statement	1500 words in English. Please make a detailed statement from the perspectives of your academic background, work/research experience and achievements, future career plans, etc.
4	Research plan	Please write your expected learning and research mission during your study in China
5	CV	In English.
6	Recommendation letters	1. Two recommendation letters, one from a government official at the Deputy Director-General level or above, the other from a professor or an associate professor in the field of economics (or management). 2. The recommendation letter must be original documents either in Chinese or English.
7	Copies of English language proficiency test results	If the applicants are not native English speakers or whose instruction media of tertiary education is not English, then a proof of English proficiency need to be demonstrated. (TOEFL iBT, IELTS or GRE score are desirable but not compulsory.)

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8	Photocopy of valid passport	The passport type must be ordinary. Important: All successful candidates should enter in China and register with SNAI with the same identity they used for applying for the master program at SNAI.
9	Recent passport size photo	Scanned copy
10	Physical examination form	The physical examination result should be within six month and prove that the applicant has no serious infectious disease or physical disability that could affect the study or other diseases that prohibited by China's Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations

3. Submission

1) Applicants can only apply for the scholarship program after obtaining approval and recommendation from the relevant departments of government responsible for this affair and submit the application materials according to the specific requirements of the relevant departments of their home country.

2) If the government allows individual applicants to submit materials directly to the Chinese Embassy, the applicant must obtain the relevant certificate or recommendation letter from their home country for permission to study in China. The applicants need to submit all the application materials listed in the above table in both hard copy and scanned copy to the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office of the Chinese Embassy. Hard copy must include both the original copy and the photocopy, as indicated in the above table.

3) The relevant government departments need to submit a written request to the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office of Chinese Embassy for an official recommendation letter and clearly state:

- Whether the applicant is willing to be considered for a

similar program at other universities if the quota of the applied school has been filled up;

- Other special requests if any.

Reminders:

1) All the documents to be submitted should be either in Chinese or English. Otherwise, a notarized copy in Chinese or English is required;

2) The original documents of degrees, diploma transcripts and language certificates must be presented for on-site verification at the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office of the Chinese Embassy; Applicants should send the scanned copies of all documents to the contact person of the program after the verification;

3) Applicants will get back all the hard-copy materials, both original copies and photocopies from the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office. If admitted, they must take the documents to China and submit them to the International Education Center of SNAI during registration.

III. Deadlines

The application deadline for the master program is **June 6, 2026**.

Part Three. Contact

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E-mail: masterprogram@snai.edu

Telephone: (86-21) 39768186 or (86-21) 39768237

Fax: (86-21) 69768233

Website: <https://www.snai.edu/overseas/index.shtml>;

Address: 200 Panlong Road, Qingpu District Shanghai, 201702, P.R. China

Notes :

1. All the application materials will not be returned whether the applicant is accepted or not.

2. No explanation will be made by the Chinese Government regarding admission results.

3. Students are not allowed to bring his/her spouse or children to accompany them while studying in China. If a student expects to have his/her spouse, children, relatives or friends to visit him/her during the stay in Shanghai, the visitor will have to bear all the expenses by him/herself.

4. The procedures for coming to China and the relevant requirements will be specified in the admission documents.





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Part one: Program Introduction

I Brief Introduction

Academic Education Programs sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China is designed to foster high-end business officials and managerial personnel for the recipient countries, offering master programs and doctoral programs for the purpose of educating high-end and inter-disciplinary talent working in the applied fields of government, trade, foreign affairs, agriculture, technology, education, culture and health, building intellectual capacity and facilitating the economic and social development of the recipient countries. These programs provide assistance to governmental officials, research fellows, and senior managerial personnel on their master and doctor education in China, which are fully conducted in English. Admission requirements include a bachelor's degree or master degree, relevant working experiences, and decent physical conditions, essential for the high-compact curriculum needed for the degrees. The programs are playing a more and more important role in stimulating economic cooperation between China and students' home countries, which the host governments are attaching great attention to this program.

MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program is set up by Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China to further strengthen the communication and cooperation between China and other countries as well as to develop talents for developing countries. Starting from 2015, MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program mainly sponsors the young and the middle-aged talents from recipient countries to pursue their postgraduate degree education in China. China Scholarship Council is entrusted to administer the Scholarship.

II Supporting categories

MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program supports Master program and PhD program.

III Educational purpose

To cultivate high-level, versatile and application-oriented talents in the fields of politics, economy and trade, diplomacy, agriculture, science, education, culture and health, energy and transportation, and public administration.

IV Enrollment Plan

Designated universities and majors of this program is included in the attachment. Length of scholarship will be settled when admission is completed, which accords to the enrolled length of schooling, which shall be 2 or 3 years for Master Recipients and 3 or 4 year for PHD Recipients. Scholarship recipients must register for English-taught program.

V Scholarship Coverage

1. Students are exempt from tuition fee, teaching material fee, research and survey fee, allowance of English-taught program, dissertation guidance fee;

2. Free on-campus accommodation;
3. Monthly stipend:
36000RMB per year per master student,
42000RMB per year per PhD student;
※ Stipends will be distributed to the students by the universities on a monthly basis according to the students' actual time spent in China.
4. One-off resettlement fee: 3000RMB per person;
5. Free medical insurance for international students;
6. One-time round-trip international airfare for all the students (First time fly to China after enrollment, and Fly back to home country while graduation), and a maximum of “n-1” (“n” is for the length of schooling year which is set while the student was enrolled by the program) round-trip international airfares for home visits (one time per year set at the end of an academic year);
7. The annual review is compulsory for all students. Those who pass the review may continue to enjoy full scholarships in the next year.
8. Other expenses shall be managed and used by the Ministry of Commerce or the universities as a whole, and shall not be distributed to students. The Ministry of Commerce only provides students with financial support within their enrolled length of schooling. Students who postpone their graduation will not receive the continuing sponsorship.

Part Two: How to Apply

I Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a citizen of a developing country other than the People’s Republic of China, and under the age of 45 (born after September 1, 1981);
- be healthy physically and mentally with a physical examination report issued by a local public hospital, and not having any disease or situation listed below:
 - a) Diseases prohibited by Chinese Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations
 - b) Other severe chronic diseases like high blood pressure, cardio-cerebrovascular disease, diabetes; psychological diseases; or other infectious diseases which may harm public health
 - c) In recovery period after major surgery or acute disease attacks
 - d) Severe physically challenged
 - e) Pregnancy (Students who become pregnant while studying in China will be expelled)
- with at least three years’ working experience, and be a bachelor’s degree holder when applying for master’s program; be a master’s degree holder when applying for doctoral program;
- be incumbents with a relevant educational background or working experience to the applied program are preferred;

- be public officials of division level and above (or corresponding level) in government sectors, or senior management staff of organizations and enterprises, or academic backbones of universities and research institutions;
- be sufficient in English which meets the academic requirements of the program, be equivalent to IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL 80 and above level;
- be with the potential of professional development, and is committed to promoting the friendly exchanges and cooperation between the host country and China;
- be neither studying in China nor being admitted to other scholarship programs provided by Chinese government.

II Application Procedures

The Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office (ECCO) of the Chinese Embassy in your country will be open for application **until 6th June 2026.**

Application Online and Documents List

1. Application Form for MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program;
Ensure you have both submitted it online (visit www.campuschina.org, click "Scholarship Application for Students") and printed the hard copy. For more application instructions, please check Attachment I;
2. Photocopy of highest diploma;
3. Photocopy of academic transcripts;
4. A Study Plan or Research Proposal, plus a resume including the educational background and working experience after high school;
5. Two recommendation letters, including one from current employer and one from academic perspective;
6. Photocopy of the Foreigner Physical Examination Form;
7. Photocopy of the English proficiency certificate;
8. Photocopy of a valid passport;
9. Non-criminal Record Report. The applicant shall submit a valid certificate of Non-Criminal Record issued by the local public security authority, usually issued within 6 months prior to the submission date of the application.

Submission Offline

1. The applicants shall obtain the approval and recommendation from the relevant department of host country before applying for this scholarship. Afterwards, the applicants could submit application according to the requirements of above department.
2. For the applicants whose host government allows them to submit the application directly to the Embassy of China, please obtain the permission or recommendation letter from the host government which states that the applicant has been approved to study in China, and submit the original documents of the letter and other above mentioned application documents to the ECCO of Chinese Embassy in the host country. The scanned electronic edition of the documents is needed as well. For

emails and addresses of the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Offices, please visit <http://www.mofcom.gov.cn/>.

2. The responsible department of the host government shall submit a written request to the ECCO of Chinese Embassy for an official recommendation letter and clearly state:

- a) Whether the applicant is willing to be considered for a similar program at other universities if the applied programs could not accept the applicant.
- b) Other special requests if any.

Reminders:

- a) All the documents to be submitted should be in Chinese or English. Otherwise, a notarized copy in Chinese or English is required.
- b) An original copy of degrees, transcripts, Foreigner Physical Examination Form and language certificates must be presented for on-site verification.
- c) Applicants will get back all the hard-copy materials, both original copies and photocopies from the ECCO of Chinese Embassy. If admitted, students must take the documents to China and submit them to the university for verification and archive.
- d) Bringing spouse or other dependent for accompanying is not allowed during the students' study in China. The scholarship will not provide any related cost;
- e) No explanation will be given on the enrollment result.
- f) Applications without the recommendation from the ECCO of Chinese Embassy will not be considered.

Part Three: Placement

Each applicant can choose maximally three preferred universities out of the 26 designated universities. CSC will place each applicant in one university only on the basis of their choices and universities' requirements.

Part Four: Admission & Registration

Scholarship winners will receive the admission package from ECCO of the Chinese Embassy after the enrollment result is confirmed, and must register at the host university before the deadline which is usually September, 2026. Regarding the registration and course arrangement for enrolled candidates, please keep in touch with the host universities and closely follow their relevant notices.

Attachment 1.

Instructions of the CSC Online Application System for MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC program

Please carefully read the instructions before applying for the scholarship.

Step 1: Visit “CSC Study in China” website and click “Scholarship Application for Students” at <http://www.campuschina.org>

Register an account through [CREATE AN ACCOUNT] and login with your account.

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”.

Please select Program Category “Type A”. **(Only for applicants of MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program)**

Step 4: Input the correct Agency Number.

Your Agency Number is: 00010. **(Only for applicants of MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program)**

Program Category and **Agency Number** are directly matched, both are mandatory for online application. Scholarship receiving authorities (or application processing authorities) will inform the program category and agency number to candidates who are qualified for applying.

After inputting agency number, the matched agency name will automatically show on the page. As **Program Category** and **Agency Number** are directly matched, application processing authorities will not receive your online application if the program category or agency number are not correct.

Step 5: Input Application Information

Next, please move 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.

When applicants of “Type A” application choose the “Preferences of Institutes”, system will automatically match the available universities according to the selected

“Student Category, Preferred teaching language”. 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, Specialty” is available from the “Help”, applicants could download the file to identify the relation between Discipline and Major.

Step 6: Once submitted, amendment cannot be made on “Personal Details” and “Application Information”. Before the application being processed by the processing authorities, applicant can revoke the submitted application by clicking “Withdraw” and edit the application. After revoking the application, applicant must submit at second time after re-editing, or the application will not be processed. Once the application is processed, application cannot be revoked.

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

Step 8: Submit scholarship application under the requirements of the dispatching authorities (or application processing agency)

China Scholarship Council never entrust any individual or intermediary agent to process Chinese government scholarship applications. Kindly remind that all applicants to directly submit your scholarship applications through official dispatching authorities, avoiding being deceived. The website below is the only official website that China Scholarship Council publishing Study in China information, please do not trust information from any other portals or sources.

<http://www.campuschina.org/>

Notes:

Application with incorrect **Agency Number** will not be processed.

Please use Firefox or Internet Explorer (11.0).

For applicants using Internet Explorer, please close the “compatible view mode” function ahead of editing.

Please fill in all application information in Chinese or English.

Attachment 2.

The 26 Designated Universities

1	Peking University	14	East China Normal University
2	Tsinghua University	15	Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
3	Renmin University of China	16	Nanjing University
4	Beijing Normal University	17	Zhejiang University
5	Beijing Jiaotong University	18	Xiamen University
6	University of International Business and Economics	19	Shandong University
7	Beihang University	20	Wuhan University
8	Nankai University	21	Huazhong University of Science and Technology
9	Tianjin University	22	Wuhan University of Technology
10	Jilin University	23	Sun Yat-sen University
11	Fudan University	24	Southwest Jiaotong University
12	Shanghai Jiaotong University	25	Xi'an Jiaotong University
13	Tongji University	26	Harbin Institute of Technology