

APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR CHINA-AUN SCHOLARSHIP

China-AUN Scholarship scheme was established by the Ministry of Education of China (hereinafter referred to as **MOEC**) for candidates recommended by the ASEAN University Network (**AUN**). China Scholarship Council (hereinafter referred to as **CSC**) administers the recruitment and the routine management of the scheme.

There are 20 full scholarships for academic year 2008/2009.

CATEGORIES OF APPLICANTS AND DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. This scheme sponsors postgraduate studies with the duration of two to six academic years.
2. The courses will be taught either in English or in Chinese. Candidates whose courses are taught in Chinese are required to take 1-2 years remedial Chinese language prior to the major study if their Chinese language level does not meet the requirement.

APPLICATION

The applicants may apply to ASEAN University Network Secretariat between January and April every year. Applicants may refer to the relevant authorities for details.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants must be citizens of the member states of ASEAN and in good health.
2. Education background and age limit:
 - Applicants for master degree studies must have bachelor's degree and be under the age of 35.
 - Applicants for Doctoral degree studies must have master's degree and be under the age of 40.

DETAILS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

Full scholarship:

- Exempt from registration fee, tuition fee, fee for laboratory experiment, fee for internship, fee for basic learning materials and intramural accommodation;
- Living allowance and a one-off settlement subsidy;
- Fee for outpatient medical service, Comprehensive Medical Insurance and Benefit Plan for International Students in China;
- Fee for a one-off inter-city travel

Note: 1) Costs of the laboratory experiment or internship that beyond the university's arrangements should be afforded by the student himself.

- 2) Fee for basic learning materials covers the necessary learning materials prescribed by the host institution, and other materials shall be self afforded.

3) Monthly living allowance is paid to the students by the host institution at the following rates (CNY yuan per month):

- Master degree students: CNY 1,100 yuan
- Doctoral degree students: CNY 1,400 yuan

Scholarship students shall get their monthly living allowance from the date of registration. Those who register before 15th (15th included) of the registration month will get the living allowance of a full month, and those who register after 15th will get that of a half month. Scholarship of the graduates will be paid half month after their graduation date. Scholarship of those who suspend or quit their studies will be stopped from the following month. Monthly living allowance will be paid during Chinese national holidays. Scholarship students who do not get the monthly living allowance during holidays can get reimbursed on return. Monthly living allowance of the scholarship students who do not register on time or stay away from university up to one month because of non-health reasons will be stopped. Scholarship students who have to suspend their education for reason of illness should return to their home country for further treatment and rest. The international travel expenses of return and coming back should be shouldered by the students themselves, the scholarship status will be reserved for at most one year, the monthly living allowance will be stopped during the suspension of education and the scholarship of the students who suspend their education for reasons other than illness will be terminated.

4) A one-off settlement subsidy after registration: CNY 600 yuan

5) Fee for outpatient medical service refers to the outpatient expense generated in the institution's hospital or the hospitals appointed by the institution. The students should afford a certain percentage of expense in accordance with the institution's relevant regulations.

6) ***Comprehensive Medical Insurance and Benefit Plan for International Students in China*** is insured by MOEC for the scholarship students in China against diseases and accidents. The institution is entitled to ask for compensation on the payment receipts from the insurance company for the expenses generated from hospitalizing for serious diseases or from accidental injury according to the stipulated insurance articles.

7) A one-off inter-city travel ticket (each for coming-in and leaving 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 to freshmen transferring from the port of entry to the city where the admitting institution is located and students finishing study in China transferring from the city where the institution is located to the nearest port for departure. Expenses for food during the trip and excess of baggage should be self-afforded.

8) International travel expenses: self-afforded.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

The applicants must fill in and provide the following materials truly and correctly (in duplicate).

1. *Application Form for Chinese Government Scholarship* (printed by CSC), one original and one photocopy, in Chinese or in English.
2. Highest diploma (notarized photocopy). If applicants are university students or already employed, they should also provide documents of being university students or on-post employees. Documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with translations in Chinese or English.
3. A study or research plan in Chinese or in English (no less than 800 words).
4. Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation in Chinese or English by professors or associate professors. Applicants who apply in China also must submit the *Admission Notice* of the targeted university.
5. Applicants for music are requested to submit one cassette recording of the applicants' own work. Applicants for fine arts must submit six color photographs of personal works (two sketches, two color paintings and two other works).
6. Applicants under the age of 18 should submit the legal documents of their legal guardians in China.
7. Photocopy of *Foreigner Physical Examination Form* (printed by Chinese quarantine authority and only for those whose period of studies in China lasts up to six months) filled in English. The medical examinations must cover all the items listed in the *Foreigner Physical Examination Form*. Incomplete records or those without the signature of the attending physician, official stamp of the hospital or a sealed photograph of the applicants are invalid. The medical examination results will be valid for 6 months. All applicants are kindly requested to take this factor into consideration while determining the time to take the medical examination.

The above materials should reach CSC by April 30th 2008 via ASEAN University Network Secretariat. CSC does not accept individual applications. Application materials will not be returned regardless of the result of application.

SELECTION OF INSTITUTIONS AND SPECIALTY

Applicants may choose 3 institutions and 1 specialty as personal preferences from the Chinese institutions of higher education designated by MOEC. Please check the *Directory of the Chinese Institutions Admitting International Students under Chinese Government Scholarship Programme* or the website of CSC (<http://www.csc.edu.cn>) for details. Applicants are required to fill in their preferences of institutions and specialties strictly within the ones listed in the *Directory*. Applicants are required to submit their detailed study or research plan with other application materials.

APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION

1. CSC will review all the application materials from the appointed authorities and CSC is authorized to make necessary adjustments on the applied institutions, specialties and duration of study. The qualified applications will be forwarded to different institutions and the final decision whether to admit the applicants or not will be made by them. The application will be seen as

invalid and will not be processed if the applicants are not qualified or the application materials are inconsistent with the recruitment regulations or are incomplete.

2. Overseas applicants for degree programs who are academically ineligible to the program could register as students-on-probation for at most one year. They could be switched to regular ones if they pass the entrance examination or relevant courses required after one-year probation. Credits scored on probation will be included in the total credits. Students who attend Chinese language training courses before major studies must pass the entrance examination or relevant courses required during their Chinese study so that to continue their major studies. Those who fail the required examinations shall end their study and leave for their home country.
3. Applicants are encouraged to contact the institutions (122 institutions specified by **MOEC** listed in the *Directory*) and tutors prior to application and please enclose the relevant admission or recommendation letter if there is.
4. Scholarship applicants accepted by Chinese institutions of higher education will be officially awarded the Chinese Government Scholarship with endorsement from **CSC** and submitted to **MOEC** for the record.
5. Students are not permitted, in principle, to change their specialties, institutions, or the duration of study specified in the *Admission Notice* after registration.
6. **CSC** will send the *List of Enrolled Students*, *Admission Notice* and *Visa Application Form for Study In China (JW201)* to ASEAN University Network Secretariat by July 31, so as to have these documents forwarded to the awardees.

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