

UNESCO/China - The Great Wall Co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme



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What is this Fellowships Programme about?

In 1994, UNESCO and the Government of the People's Republic of China initiated the UNESCO/China - the Great Wall Co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme with the view to promoting human resource capacities in developing countries as well as enhancing exchanges and knowledgesharing in the fields of education, culture, communication, science and technology. The Programme supports outstanding students and scholars from the developing and least developed countries (LDCs) to reinforce their tertiary education at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels in China.

Co-administered by the Government of China and UNESCO, the Programme provides 75 fellowship opportunities to outstanding candidates from 135 developing Member States in Africa, Asia-Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe, and the Arab region on an annual basis, with special attention to candidates from Africa, SIDS, and the LDCs.

Over the past three decades, the Programme has supported 852 students and researchers from governments, universities and research institutions in around 100 developing countries to study in China, not only fostering academic and professional growth of the scholars, but also contributing to capacity building in their home countries and communities, by cultivating skilled professionals in specialised areas who could support sustainable economic and social development.



What institutions and fields of study are covered by the Programme?

This Fellowships Programme does not set limits to a specific field of study or university. Potential candidates may apply to any institution and field of study listed on the website of the China Scholarship Council (CSC).

For more information on the fields of proposed studies at selected Chinese universities, please visit the official webpage of the China Scholarship Council: <u>http://www.campuschina.org/universities/index.html</u>.



What are the selection criteria for fellows?

The Programme is intended for students and scholars who wish to pursue a postgraduate study programme (including a Master/Doctoral degree programme), as well as for general or senior scholars pursuing a one-year visiting programme. The criteria vary depending on the type of study programme selected.

The global call for applications for this Programme is launched at the beginning of each year for the academic year starting in September.

Candidates should:

- be nationals from one of the 135 invited Member States
- meet the age and academic requirements for the chosen study programme
- be proficient in English or Chinese
- 🔵 be in good health





Which Member States are eligible to submit candidates?

The following **135** developing Member States are invited to submit candidates for the Programme:

Europe – 12 Member States

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Serbia, Ukraine

Latin America and the Caribbean – 26 Member States

Argentina, Belize, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)



Arab States – 13 Member States

Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, State of Palestine, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Yemen

Africa – 46 Member States

Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cabo Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Asia and the Pacific – 38 Member States

Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Niue, Palau, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam



What kind of support is provided to the fellowship recipients?

The fellowship recipients will be offered a full package of support provided by UNESCO and the Government of China, covering tuition, international travels, living allowances, accommodation and medical insurance during the term of fellowship in China.







What is the application and selection process?

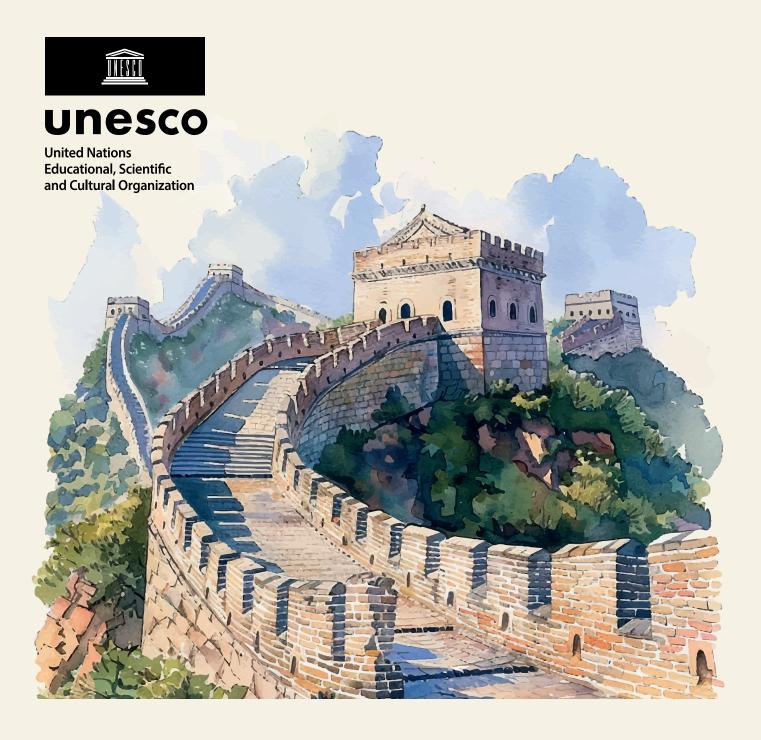
The application and selection process runs from the beginning of each year until July. Qualified candidates should complete the online application on the China Scholarship Council's website and then submit their candidature to the National Commission for UNESCO in their home countries for preselection at the national level. Only candidates endorsed and nominated by the National Commission for UNESCO will be considered in the subsequent selection process.

The selection process includes four stages, from the preselection by the National Commission for UNESCO at the national level, to the comprehensive screening and evaluation conducted by UNESCO, the China Scholarship Council and the concerned Chinese universities respectively.

APPLICATION

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January		Applicant submit th applicatio to the National Commissi for UNESC for pre- selection	eir ns ons	UNESCO screens th applicatio against th eligibility requiremo	ns Ie	UNESCO and the CSC approve the final list of selected candidates July
	Applicants submit their online applications on the website of the CSC		National Commissions for UNESCO nominate candidates at the national level and transfer the applications to UNESCO		The CSC and the relevant Chinese universities evaluate and select the best qualified candidates	



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