Application Information for Confucius Institute Scholarship
2018
(Draft for Discussion)

For the purpose of cultivating qualified Chinese language teachers and facilitating culture exchange, the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) launches “Confucius Institute Scholarship” (CIS) to support outstanding students, scholars and Chinese language teachers recommended by Confucius Institutes (or independently operated Confucius Classrooms) or some HSK test centers (hereinafter to be collectively referred to as “recommending institutions”) to study in Chinese universities and colleges (hereinafter referred to as “host institutions”).

I. Eligibility and Coverage
Application is open to non-Chinese citizens, aged between 16 and 35, in good mental and physical conditions, with no records of misconduct, and pre-admitted by host institutions at the Confucius Institute Scholarship website. (Applicants currently working as Chinese language teachers shall not exceed the age limit of 45. Undergraduate student shall not exceed the age limit of 20).
CIS is categorized into full scholarship and partial scholarship, which will be granted according to applicants’ nationality, the order in which they apply and their proficiency of Chinese language, as further detailed in eligibility and appendix 1 the Confucius Institute Scholarship Coverage and Criteria.

I.1. Scholarship for Master’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (MTCSOL)
It provides a scholarship for maximum two academic years, starting from September, 2018. Full scholarship applicant should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 5); partial scholarship applicant should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK test (Level 5). All applicants are required to pass HSKK test (Intermediate Level). Applicants who are able to provide notarized document of the employment agreement upon completing study in China are preferred.

I.2. Scholarship for Bachelor’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (BTCSOL)

It provides a scholarship for maximum four academic years, starting from September, 2018. Full scholarship applicant should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK test (Level 4); partial scholarship applicant should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK test (Level 4). All applicants are required to pass HSKK test (intermediate level). Confucius Institute (Classroom) registered students are preferred.

I.3. Scholarship for One-Academic-Year Study

It provides scholarship for 11 months. International students who have studied in China since September 2017 are not eligible.

I.3.1 It provides curriculums of TCSOL and full scholarship for in-service Chinese language teachers, and students whose major is Chinese Language and Literature and who are going to take MTCSOL. A minimum score of 270 in HSK test (Level 3) is required (the program objective for the applicants is to reach 180 in HSK test, Level 5). An HSKK test score is required.

I.3.2 It provides students and scholars who are interested in Chinese translation and Sinology with advanced courses in Chinese Language and Literature, Chinese History and Chinese Philosophy. Applicant should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK test (Level 4) and pass HSKK test (intermediate level).
I.4. Scholarship for One-Semester Study

It provides a scholarship for 5 months, starting either September 2018 or March 2019. Applicants who have prior experiences of studying in China are not eligible.

I.4.1 It provides curriculum of TCSOL and full scholarship for in-service Chinese language teachers, Confucius Institute (Classroom) registered students or students majoring in Chinese Language and Literature. Applicants should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK test (Level 3). An HSKK test score is required.

I.4.2 It provides curriculum of Chinese Traditional Medicine, Tai chi Culture and full scholarship to those who are dedicated to disseminate Chinese culture and have preliminary knowledge of relevant subject. Applicants should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK test (Level 2).

I.4.3 It provides curriculum of Chinese Language and Literature, Chinese History and Chinese philosophy to students and scholars whose majors are relevant to Chinese language and culture. Applicants should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK test (Level 3). An HSKK test score is required.

I.5. Scholarship for Four-Week Study

It provides a full scholarship for 4-week study which starts either July or December 2018. Applicants should provide a HSK test score report and have no prior experiences of studying in China.

I.5.1 This sub-category provides training courses of Chinese Traditional Medicine and Tai Chi culture to the registered students and teachers of Confucius Institutes.

I.5.2 This sub-category provides “Chinese language + Chinese Family Experience” to the registered students of Confucius Institutes (Classrooms) (maximum of 10 students per Confucius Institute).

I.6. Chinese Language Teachers Training Programs for South Asian Countries
It was launched by the Teachers Division of Hanban especially for applicants from Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, Sir Lanka, Maldives and India. Please refer to the appendix for more details.

Chinese Bridge winners (Chinese Proficiency Competition for Overseas College Students) who have been awarded the 2018 “Confucius Institute Scholarship Certificate” need no further applications to submit. Please refer to Admission Procedure of Article 2 to complete enrollment and review procedures of the relevant host institutions upon presentation of their CIS certificates. Please contact chinesebridge@hanban.org for inquiry.

For any inquiry about subject training program or curriculum, please contact the host institutions directly. The host institutions have the right to request an interview with the applicant as part of the examination procedure and may ask the applicant to provide additional documents other than those listed in the Application Documents for the Confucius Institute Scholarship. At their own discretions, recommending institutions and host institutions may ask to stop examination procedures or cancel such a scholarship at any time. They may stop or rescind the qualifications from applicants who apply for more than one scholarship at any time by checking and matching previously provided information.

All degree scholarship program applicants are subject to appraisal at the end of the first academic year in accordance with the Annual Appraisal Procedures of Confucius Institute Scholarship.

II. Application Procedures
Online registration will be available from March 1, 2018. Please log on to Confucius Institute Scholarship website (cis.chinese.cn) to search recommending institutions and host institutions, upload application materials online, track the application progress, feedback of review and admission results. Scholarship holders need to confirm with the host institutions to go through the procedures of studying in China, and print out CIS certificate online. They will be granted with the scholarship after completing the enrollment procedures as required.

Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) will complete the scholarship review two months before enrollment of the admitted students.

III. Admission and Consultation Services

Recommending institutions and host institutions are responsible for issuing local enrollment guide and provide consulting services in accordance with this procedure. Applicants may consult the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) for general policies at scholarships@hanban.org, or fax: +86-10-58595727 (Chinese).

IV. Appendix

1. Confucius Institute Scholarship Coverage and Criteria
2. Application Documents for Confucius Institute Scholarship

Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban)

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