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CSC Type A

中国政府奖学金“国别双边项目” 申请指南

Chinese Government Scholarship Bilateral Program
Application Guide for New International Students



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1. ABOUT SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY

Shanghai University (SHU) is a member University of Project 211 and a leading comprehensive university co-sponsored by the Ministry of Education and Shanghai Municipality. It is among Shanghai's first pilot programs of high-level construction of local university. As a university with first-class discipline construction qualified by the Ministry of Education, SHU is ranked 201-300 globally in the 2025 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU), 296th in US News World University Rankings 2025.

SHU offers a wide range of disciplines, covering philosophy, economics, law, education, literature, history, natural science, engineering, medical science, management, art, multi-discipline, etc. 14 of these disciplines are global Top 1%: Engineering Science, Materials Science, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Ecology, Mathematics, Social Sciences, Physics, Clinical Medicine, Biology and Biochemistry, Economics and Business, Phytology and Zoology, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Geoscience.

There are more than 40,000 full-time students in Shanghai University, including 2,935 international students from more than 150 countries. Modern campuses with well-equipped dormitory and sports facilities, and easy accessibility with subway nearby provide a pleasant environment for students of different languages and cultures to study here.

2. BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Chinese Government Scholarship Bilateral program accords with the cooperation and exchange agreements or consensus reached by the Chinese government and the governments and institutions of other nations. This scholarship program referred to as CSC-type A.

- **Application accepting institution:** Apply to the dispatching authorities for overseas study of your home country, such as educational department, Chinese embassy.
 - **Application time:** Generally, from November 2025 to February 2026. Please consult the dispatching authorities for the specific deadline of each year.
 - **Applicant:** Outstanding international students applying for undergraduates, postgraduates, general and senior scholars' programs in Shanghai University.
 - **Majors under this scholarship program:** No Limit (For the major list, please refer to <https://apply.shu.edu.cn/>)
- ✧ CSC scholarship is not available for English taught bachelor program.





3. SCHOLARSHIP COVERAGE

Chinese Government Scholarship Bilateral program provides both full scholarships and partial scholarships. For more detailed information, please refer to <https://www.campuschina.org>

3.1 Full Scholarship

- Tuition fees in the standard length of schooling
- Free university dormitory or accommodation subsidy (CNY 700/month for undergraduates, master's students and general scholars; CNY 1,000/month for doctoral students and senior scholars)
- Stipend:
 - Undergraduates: CNY 2,500 per month;
 - Master's students/general scholars: CNY 3,000 per month;
 - Doctoral students/senior scholars: CNY 3,500 per month.
- Comprehensive medical insurance: CNY 800 per person per year; CNY 400 per person (for programs lasting less than six months)

3.2 Partial Scholarship

For more detailed information about partial scholarship, please consult the dispatching authorities for overseas study of your home country, such as educational department, Chinese embassy.

Notes:

- ✧ Stipend is monthly paid by Shanghai University. Scholarship students who register before the 15th (15th included) of the registration month will receive full stipend; those who register after the 15th will receive half stipend. Graduates can get another half month stipend after the graduation day determined by the university. If scholarship students have left China for more than 15 days due to personal reasons during his/her study period (except public holidays), his/her stipend during that time will be suspended.
- ✧ For more information about Comprehensive medical insurance, please refer to <https://lxbx.net/home>





4.SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

4.1 Basic Eligibility

Be a citizen of a country other than the PRC with a valid personal ordinary-type passport and in good health both mentally and physically.

4.2 Language Proficiency

4.2.1 For Chinese-taught programs:

Have passed the HSK (Level 3) when applying for a Chinese-taught undergraduate or general scholar program (excluding Chinese language majors);

Have passed the HSK (Level 3) when applying for a Chinese-taught senior scholar program;

Have passed the HSK (Level 4) when applying for a Chinese-taught postgraduate program;

- ✧ For applicants who do not meet the language proficiency requirements for admission to Shanghai University Chinese taught programs, will first take one-year Chinese foundation program. Only after passing the examination and meet the language proficiency requirements can be admitted to the degree/ non-degree program.
- ✧ The language proficiency requirements for admission to Shanghai University Chinese taught programs:

Major category	HSK requirements
Chinese Language (BA), and Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (BA)	HSK 4 above 180
Science, Engineering, Economics, Management & Arts	HSK 5 above 180
Humanities	HSK 5 above 210

4.2.2 For English-taught programs:

Applicants must meet one of the following English proficiency requirements:

- Native speakers of English.
- Internationally recognized English proficiency tests score within two years:

English proficiency test	Minimum Requirement	Notes
GRE General	320	
GMAT	550	
IELTS (academic)	6.5	
TOEFL	90	TOEFL MyBest™ Score and TOEFL essentials accepted
Duolingo	120	
CAE/ CPE	180	
NTS GAT General	70% score	For Pakistani applicants to master programs
NTS GAT Subject	70% score	For Pakistani applicants to doctoral programs



- The previous degree is fully taught in English. Applicant should provide the statement of instruction language issued by the official department of the school or university, and the statement must be on official headed paper.

4.3 Academic and age requirement

4.3.1 For undergraduate program

- ✓ Be an academically excellent holder of high school diploma, GPA 3.0 or above (Note: 4-Point GPA System) ;
- ✓ For Science or Engineering programs, applicants are qualified in mathematics and physics in high school. Some programs also require computer programming courses record. For Economics or Management programs, applicants are qualified in mathematics in high school. For Arts programs, applicants are required to submit his/her portfolio (such as paintings, story scripts, short movies, etc.).
- ✓ Applicants should be under the age of 25.

4.3.2 For Master's Programs

- ✓ Be an academically excellent holder of a Bachelor's degree;
- ✓ Relevant undergraduate academic background is required, or have completed undergraduate-level courses relevant to intended graduate major, with GPA 2.5 or above (Note: 4-Point GPA System) .
- ✓ Students applying to art majors must have relative academic background and submit a portfolio (such as paintings, story scripts, short movies, etc.).
- ✓ Applicants should be under the age of 35.

4.3.3 For PhD's Programs

- ✓ Be an academically excellent holder of a Master's degree;
- ✓ Relevant master's degree background and academic achievements, with GPA 3.0 or above (Note: 4-Point GPA System) .
- ✓ Students applying to art majors must have relative academic background and submit a portfolio (such as paintings, story scripts, short movies, etc.).
- ✓ Applicants should be under the age of 40.

4.3.4 For general scholar program

- ✓ Be a holder of a high school diploma (or higher).
- ✓ Under the age of 45 when applying for a general scholar program.



4.3.5 For senior scholar program

- ✓ Be a master's degree holder or an associate professor (or above).
- ✓ Under the age of 50 when applying for a senior scholar program.

4.4 Take the "China Scholastic Competency Assessment (short as CSCA)" when applying for bachelor programs

Starting from the 2026/2027 academic year, applicants for undergraduate programs in China must take the "China Scholastic Competency Assessment" (CSCA) before submitting their applications, and provide a valid CSCA score report when applying. Applicants planning to enroll in undergraduate programs in September 2026 are required to register for the CSCA tests scheduled on December 21, 2025, or January 25, 2026. The CSCA score report is a mandatory document for Bachelor programs' admission review. For information about CSCA and the registration, please visit www.csc.cn.

4.5 No other type of scholarship was granted at the time of application.

5. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

The following materials should be prepared with complete and clear electronic versions.

☑ Information Page of Ordinary Passport

A clear copy of your valid passport with your name, photo, birth date, place of birth, date of issue, date of expiry. Visa page is required for applicants who are not in their home country. An applicant shall submit a clear scanned copy of the information page of his/her passport that will not expire on or before March 1, 2027. Renew the passport if the requirement is not met.

☑ ID photo

The passport-size photo (one-inch, 295*413) should be taken within the last six months, bareheaded, full-faced with blue-color background; the photo is required to submit as JPG image less than 100kb.

☑ Selfie video

Applicants should submit a video including self-introduction and study plan in China. avi, mov, or mp4 less than 50 MB are accepted. The language of the video should be consistent with the language of the program you are applying for (English or Chinese).

☑ Highest Degree Diploma and Graduation Certificate

Applicants who have not yet received their degree certificates at the time of application should provide a pre-graduation certificate issued by their school or college to prove their ability to graduate and



obtain their degree certificates by July 31, 2026. In addition, applicants are required to fill out a personal commitment form, which can be downloaded from the website: <https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index>

☒ Academic transcripts

Academic records of the highest degree program shall be provided. These transcripts shall be issued and sealed by the attending high school's/university's academic affairs office, graduate school, or student management department.

☒ CSCA score report (Only for bachelor programs)

Applicants seeking to pursue a bachelor's degree must register for and take the CSCA before the application deadline, and obtain a valid Score Report.

☒ Language Proficiency Certificate within the validity period

If the official language proficiency is not available at the time of application, applicants may upload a screenshot of the results queried on the website. The original certificate must be provided at the time of new student registration.

☒ Two Recommendation Letters with Signature (Only for postgraduate programs and senior scholar programs)

Two letters of recommendation (written only in Chinese or English) from professors or associate professors shall be submitted. These letters shall describe the applicant's objectives of learning in China, comprehensive abilities, and evaluation of future growth etc.; The referee's signature and contact information are necessary.

☒ A study or research plan

A study and research plan written in Chinese or English (no less than 200 words/characters for undergraduates; no less than 500 words/characters for scholars; no less than 1000 words/characters for postgraduates). The language of study or research plan should be consistent with the language of the program you are applying for. Applicants could download the template at <https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index>

**** Please write clearly in the study or research plan that you plan to apply for Chinese Government Scholarship Bilateral Program (CSC Type A)***

☒ Statement of Financial Support

Applicants can download the template at <https://apply.shu.edu.cn/application/index>

☒ Awards (evidential materials for participation in activities or contests)

Please merge into one PDF file if there are multiple certificates.



☑ Certificate of No Criminal Record

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.

☑ Foreigner Physical Examination

* An applicant to study in China for more than six months shall submit a photocopy of the Foreigner Physical Examination Form.

* The form is designed by the Chinese quarantine authority and can be obtained from the dispatching authority. The physical examinations must cover all the items listed in the Foreigner Physical Examination Form. Incomplete records or those without the signature of the attending physician, the official stamp of the hospital, or a sealed photograph of the applicants are invalid. Please select the appropriate time to take a physical examination as the result is valid for only 6 months.

☑ Academic Research Documents or artworks (Refer to Departmental standards)

* Published academic papers and patent certificates

* Applicants for art majors should provide at least two examples of artworks.

Notes:

- ***Documents not in Chinese or English should be accompanied by Chinese/English translation provided by notarized or issuing departments;***
- ***Only scanned copies of the above materials are required for application, and the original documents are required for reference at the time of registration.***
- ***Uploaded supporting documents must be clear, authentic and valid. Applicants are recommended to use a professional device to scan the relevant documents. Applicants shall bear the consequences caused by untrue, unclear or unidentifiable uploaded materials.***





6. APPLICATION METHODS

Step 1: Applicants should log in to the Shanghai University International Student Online Application website (<https://apply.shu.edu.cn/>) to submit their applications. After passing the application material review and online interview, applicants will receive **Pre-Admission Notice** from Shanghai University.

- ✧ Shanghai university online application system is expected to open on November 20, 2025. The application process includes filling in personal information, uploading application materials, and taking online test and so on. Please pay close attention to your application status within the system, and check your email regularly. Generally, applicants could receive feedback within 14 working days after submitting the application.
- ✧ For general and senior scholars' programs, please send the application materials to this email address: apply5@oa.shu.edu.cn for the pre-admission notice issued by the university.
- ✧ This Pre-Admission Notice can be used for applying to the CSC Type A program but does not guarantee admission to Shanghai University. The final admission is subject to the approval of the dispatching authorities for overseas study of your home country, China Scholarship Council, Shanghai University, relevant College/School and prospective supervisors.
- ✧ **CSC Type A program applicants do not need to pay the Shanghai University international student application fee CNY 500.**

Step 2: Apply to the dispatching authorities for overseas study of your home country for CSC Type A scholarship opportunity.

Step 3: Login <https://www.campuschina.org>, select the study program type - Type A and complete the online application

Step 4: Reviewed by Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC) and Shanghai University.

Step 5: Inquire about the admission results from the dispatching authorities for overseas study of your home country and wait to receive the official admission documents.

- **Applicants who are not admitted to the Chinese Government Scholarship can choose to apply for other scholarship programs of Shanghai University or self-funded programs.**





7. OTHERS

7.1 Scholarship applicants must submit their application materials directly to Shanghai University in person. Those who apply by agencies will be disqualified from scholarship.

7.2 Scholarship recipients must complete the registration and enrollment on scheduled time in accordance with the university regulations. Those who miss the deadline without approval will be disqualified from scholarship.

7.3 Scholarship recipients must bring **all original documents** for registration (photocopies and digital files are not accepted). Provision of any false/ misleading information or failure to provide the requested supporting documents will lead to disqualification of admission.

7.4 Scholarship recipients are required to attend the annual scholarship review, which evaluates the academic performance and daily performance for the whole academic year. Those who fail to pass will lose their eligibility for the next year's scholarship.

7.5 Scholarship recipients cannot change the study level, major, instruction language, the length of study or transfer to another University in principle.

7.6 Those items shall be explained by the college of International Education, Shanghai University.

8. CONTACT US

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