**2017 Confucius Institute Scholarships: Application Process**

Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) has established the Confucius Institute Scholarships Programme to train qualified Chinese language teachers and promote Chinese culture more widely. Confucius institutes around the world, independent Confucius Classrooms, some Chinese language testing centres (all referred to as “recommending institutes”) have been asked to recommend students, scholars and Chinese language teachers to study in universities in China (referred to as “host institutions”).

**Scholarship Applicants, Coverage and Eligibility**

Applicants should:

* not be citizens of the People’s Republic of China
* not have a record of bad behaviour
* be in good health
* be registered by host institutions on the Confucius Institute Scholarship Website
* be aged between 16 and 35 years.

(Applicants currently working in a Chinese language teaching position should not exceed the age limit of 45 years. Applicants who are undergraduate students should not exceed the age limit of 20 years).

Each category of scholarship includes Full Scholarship and Partial Scholarship. For more information, please refer to the Recruitment Procedures for Confucius Institute Scholarships.

Scholarship Eligibility

**1. Students of Master’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (MTCSOL)**

This category provides a scholarship for no more than two academic years. Admission is in September 2017. Applicants should pass the HSKK Test (Intermediate Level). Applicants for full scholarship should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 5), and applicants for partial scholarship should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK Test (Level 5). Applicants who are able to provide proof of employment or certification from designated working institutions upon the completion of their studies, are preferred.

1. **Students of Bachelor’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (BTCSOL)**

This category provides a scholarship of no more than four academic years. Admission is in September 2017.

Applicants should pass the HSKK Test (Intermediate Level).

Applicants for full scholarship should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 4), and applicants for partial scholarship should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK Test (Level 4).

Applicants who are enrolled at the Confucius Institute (or Confucius Classoom) are preferred.

**3. Students of Scholarship for One-Academic-Year Study**

This category provides a sponsorship for eleven months. Admission is in September 2017. Students involved in any study program in China after 1 January 2017 are not eligible.

**3.1** **Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages Course** and a full scholarship application are open to current Chinese language teachers, and students who are potential Master’s student in Teaching to Speakers of Other Languages.  Applicants should have a minimum score of 270 in HSK Test (Level 3), and have obtained a HSKK test certificate.

**3.2 Chinese Language & literature, Chinese History and Chinese Philosophy Courses** are respectively provided for scholars or students who are committed to Chinese Translation or Chinese Studies. Applicants should have a minimum score of 180 in HSK Test (Level 4), and pass HSKK test (Intermediate Level). A full or partial scholarship is provided according to the country, registration time and Chinese levels.

**4. Students for Scholarship for One-Semester Study**

This category provides a sponsorship for five months. Admission is in September 2017 or March 2017. Applicants should have no prior experience of studying in China.

**4.1 Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages Course** and a full scholarship application are open to current Chinese teachers, registered students of the Confucius Institute (or Confucius Classroom) and students majoring in Chinese language who are potential Bachelor’s candidates of Teaching Chinese to speakers of Other Languages. Applicants should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 3), and have obtained a HSKK test certificate.

**4.2 Chinese Language& Literature, Chinese History, Chinese Philosophy Courses** are respectively provided for scholars or students who are committed to Chinese Translation or Chinese Studies. Applicant should have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 3), and obtain HSKK test certificate. A full or partial scholarship is provided according to the country, registration time and Chinese levels.

**5. Scholarship for Four-Week Study Students**

This category provides a sponsorship for 4-week home stay program. Admission is in July, 2017 or September, 2017. Applicant should submit a HSK score report, and have no prior experience of studying in China.

**5.1 Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages Course** is provided for Chinese teachers who are studying in China.

**5.2 Chinese Medicine and Tai Chi training courses** are respectively provided for registered students and teachers of Confucius Institute.

**5.3 Chinese Language +Four-week home stay program** application is open to Confucius Institute (Classroom) students group. (10-15 people)

**Recruitment Procedures**

Applicants are requested to log in on [cis.chinese.cn](http://cis.chinese.cn/ScholarShipSite/UserLogin.aspx) to:

* check which are the recommending institutes and the host institutes
* submit all documents as required
* fill in the application form online
* track the application process, examination report and evaluation result

Scholarship winners are requested to confirm the admission process with host institutes, print out hard copies of their online scholarship certificates, and complete the school registration on time.

**Application Consultation**

For Scholarship Policy issues, please contact scholarships@hanban.org.

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