**Application Information**

 **for 2018 SJTU Confucius Institute Scholarship**

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For the purpose of cultivating qualified Chinese language teachers and facilitating the promotion of Chinese language and culture, the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) launches “Confucius Institute Scholarship” (CIS) to support outstanding students, scholars and currently employed Chinese language teachers recommended by Confucius Institutes, independently operated Confucius Classrooms as well as 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”).

Acting as one of the host institutions, Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) enjoys a shining history of 121 years and has become a comprehensive, research-oriented, and internationalized top university in China. Foreigners are warmly welcome to study Chinese language and culture at SJTU. All the details of the scholarship are provided below.

* **ELIGIBILITY**

All applicants shall be

* 1. Non-Chinese citizens
	2. In good Physical and mental condition, well performed both academically and behaviorally
	3. Aspired to take future careers on the teaching or international promotion of Chinese language.
	4. Between the ages of 16-35 on September 1st, 2018. Applicants currently worked as Chinese language teachers shall not exceed the age limit of 45, while undergraduate students shall not exceed the age limit of 25.
* **SCHOLARSHIP TYPES AND QUALIFICATIONS**
1. **Scholarship for Master’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (MTCSOL)**

Commences September 2018 and provides scholarship for maximum two academic years. Applicants shall be Bachelor degree holders, and have a minimum score of 180 in HSK Test (Level 6) as well as 60 in HSKK test (Advanced Level). Applicants who are able to provide notarized document of the employment agreement or related proofs upon completing study in China are preferred.

1. **Scholarship for One-Academic-Year Study (TCSOL)**

Commences SEP 2018, and provides scholarship for maximum 11 months. International students currently studying in China are not eligible. Applicants shall have a minimum score of 270 in HSK test (Level 3), as well as 60 in HSKK Test (Beginner Level).

1. **Scholarship for One-Semester Study (Chinese Language and Literature)**

Commences either in SEP 2018 or MAR 2019, and provides scholarship of maximum 5 months. Applicants withholding visas X1 or X2 are not eligible. Applicants shall have a minimum score of 210 in HSK Test (Level 3), as well as 60 in HSKK (Beginner Level).

1. **Scholarship for Four-Week Study**

Commences either on July or December of 2018, and provides a four-week scholarship. Applicants withholding visas X1 or X2 are not eligible.

* + 1. Chinese Language plus home-stay Experience in a Chinese Family

HSK test score are required. Organized and applied by a Confucius Institute with 10-15 participants per group. Prior to the trip, a detailed study plan shall be made after consultation with SJTU and submit to Hanban for approval.

* + 1. Special Four-week Program for Confucius Institutes

HSK test score are required. Organized and applied by a Confucius Institute with 10-15 participants per group.

* **SCHOLARSHIP COVERAGE, CRITERIA AND APPRAISAL**

The Confucius Institute Scholarship provides full coverage on tuition fee, accommodation fee, living allowance (four-week study students are excluded) and comprehensive medical insurance expenses.

Tuition fee is under the overall planning and utilization of host institutions to provide teaching and management of scholarship students organizing cultural and social activities, as well as organizing Chinese language proficiency tests (HSK/HSKK). Tuition fee does not cover the textbook expenses and tourist tickets.

**For One Semester and One-Academic Year program, each participant is entitled to accommodation allowance of 1000 CNY per month (inclusive of 700 CNY sponsored by Hanban), while MTCSOL students enjoy a monthly accommodation allowance of 1200 CNY (inclusive of 700 CNY sponsored by Hanban).** Due to a limited number of dormitory rooms (usually double rooms) available, international students who prefer to live on campus are required to book dormitory online in advance. The campus accommodation is charged based on the type and standard of the room the student apply for.

Living allowance is granted by host institutions on a monthly basis. The monthly allowance for one-academic-year study students and one-semester students is 2,500 CNY per person. For MTCSOL students, the monthly allowance is 3,000 CNY per person.

Enrollment status is based on semesters of host institutions. Students who are enrolled before the 15th (or on the 15th) of the admission month, are entitled to the full allowance of that month. Students, who are enrolled after the 15th of that month, are only entitled to half of the allowance.

During the study period, for any student who is absent from China due to personal reasons for more than 15 days (excluding winter and summer holidays), the allowance during absence will be suspended.

For students who suspend study or drop out of school for personal reasons, or who are given disciplinary punishment by the host institutions, allowance will be terminated on the date of such suspension, dropping out or when the decision of such punishment is announced.

The living allowance for the month of graduation will be granted half a month after the date of graduation or expiration day of the study confirmed by host institutions.

Comprehensive medical insurance is purchased by the host institutions in accordance with relevant regulations of studying in China stipulated by the Ministry of Education of China. Insurance fee per person is 160 CNY for four-week study students, 400 CNY for one-semester students, and 800 CNY per year for students engaged in program longer than one academic year.

The degree scholarship program applicants are subject to annual academic performance review. Only those who achieve outstanding records in academic and Chinese language proficiency are entitled to a full scholarship for the following year; those who achieve average academic records are entitled to partial scholarships; others will not be entitled to scholarships any longer. Partial scholarships consist of tuition fee, accommodation fee and comprehensive medical insurance. The One-Academic-Year Study and One-Semester Study programmers are required to attend Chinese language proficiency test before graduation. The test fee will be reimbursed by the host institution.

* **APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCEDURES**
1. Online registration will be available from 1st MAR 2018 on the Confucius Institute Scholarship website (cis.chinese.cn). Please log on to fill up the online *Confucius Institute Scholarships Application Form*, upload application materials, track the application progress, feedback of review and admission results. (Students who apply for MTCSOL should make a second application at Study@SJTU website: <http://isc.sjtu.edu.cn/> together with the *Confucius Institute Scholarship Application Form* as a proof for the required registration payment).

\*Note: The application deadlines are

20 APR 2018 for those commencing in JUL 2018;

15 MAY 2018 for those commencing in SEP 2018;

20 SEP 2018 for those commencing in DEC 2018;

15 NOV 2018 for those commencing in MAR 2019;

**Applicants who apply to study at SJTU should choose SJTU as their first choice.**

1. Overseas Confucius Institutes (independently-operating Confucius Classrooms), overseas Chinese test centers, educational and cultural offices (sections) of Chinese Embassies (Consulates), and institutions of higher education in countries without any Confucius Institute, are entrusted by Hanban as Institutions of Recommendation. The Institutions of Recommendation shall examine the qualification and application materials of applicants, issue recommendation letter and complete the recommendation procedures on the relevant website.
2. Chinese Bridge winners who have been awarded the 2018 “Confucius Institute Scholarship Certificate” shall log onto the scholarship website and submit documents to relevant host institutions upon presentation of their CIS certificates. Please contact chinesebridge@hanban.org for inquiry.
3. Applications will first be reviewed by SJTU before a preliminary admission list is submitted to Hanban.
4. Hanban conducts an overall assessment on all applicants and decides upon the best candidates to make the final offer. The results will be released within 45 working days after the application materials are confirmed as valid.
5. After confirming with the successful applicants, SJTU should send out the *Letter of Admission*, *Visa Application Form for Foreigners to Study in China (JW202 Form)*, and other relevant documents to the institution made the recommendation or personal mail address of the applicant within 15 working days.
* **APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**
1. For all applicants
	1. A scanned copy of passport photo page
	2. A scanned copy of score reports of the HSK and HSKK tests (within the two-year validity)
	3. A recommendation letter by the head of the recommending institutions
2. For degree scholarship program applicants
	1. A certification of the highest education diploma (or proof of expected graduation) and an official transcript
	2. Applicants of the Scholarship for MTCSOL Students are required to provide 2 reference letters from professors or associate professors. Those who can provide a notarized employment agreement with teaching institutions are preferred.
3. Applicants currently worked as Chinese language teachers shall provide the proof of employment as well as a reference letter by the employing institution
4. Applicants under the age of 18 shall provide certified documents of designation signed by their entrusted legal guardians in China.
5. Applicants shall also provide additional documents required by the host institutions
* **DISCLAIMER**
1. Please note that incomplete or unqualified applications will not be processed.
2. Application shall be terminated if the related materials are found to be fraudulent or filled and submitted by someone other than the applicant.
3. Scholars who cannot register with the host institutions on the scheduled time should write to the host institution stating the fact and reasons 15 days prior to the admission date. For those who fail to register without a valid cause shall have their scholarship revoked.
4. Scholarship will be terminated when scholars fail to register on pre-scheduled date, fail the physical examination for new students, or face schooling suspension or dropping out for personal reasons.
5. The degree scholarship program applicants are subject to annual academic performance review. For details, see *Annual Academic Performance Review for Confucius Institute Scholarship*.
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* **RELATED WEBSITES**

Confucius Institute Scholarship Website：<http://cis.chinese.cn>

HSK and HSKK Website：<http://www.chinesetest.cn>