

UCD-CSC Scholarship Scheme

Guidelines for UCD Faculty Members

Background

UCD and the Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC), affiliated with the Ministry of Education of China, established the UCD-CSC Scholarship Scheme in 2007 to assist Chinese students to pursue graduate research, in UCD. The scheme aims to attract some of the very best students from China to UCD and to promote UCD within China as an attractive destination for graduate research programmes.

We are encouraging recruitment of students from our partners and the Project 985 (High Ranking) universities. Students from these universities are more likely to get funding approved by CSC and higher potential to further build links between UCD and their home institution. However, other universities will also be considered.



UCD Partner Universities in China

Beijing Finance and Business University
Beijing Forestry University
Beijung Institute of Tecnology
Beijing Sports University
Beijing Technology & Business University
Beijing Union University
Beijing University of Chemical Technology
Beijing University of Technology
Beijing-Dublin International College
Central South University
Chang'an University
China Agricultural University
Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences
Chongqing University
Communication University of China
Fudan University
Guizhou University
Harbin Institute of Technology
Hefei University of Technology
Henan Agricultural University
Henan University
Henan University of Technology
Huazhong Agricultural University
Hubai University of Chinese Medicine
Inner Mongolia University
Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences
Jiangsu University
Jilin University

Jimei University
Jinlin University
Nanjing Agriculture University
Nanjing Normal University
Nanjing University of Finance and Economics
Nankai University
North China Institute Technology
Northeast Normal University
Northwest A&F University
Peking University
Renmin University
Shandong Agricultural University
Shandong University
Shandong University of science and Technology
Shanghai Jiao Tong University
Shanghai Ocean University
Shanxi medical University (Prev Jinan University)
Shenzhen University
South China University of Technology
Teinghua University
Tianjin University
University of Science & Technology of China
University of International Business and Economics
Xian International Studies University
Xi'an University of Technology
Xiangtan University
Xiamen University
Zhejiang Uni of Technology
Zhejianh University
Zhenhzhou University

Project 985(High Ranking) Universities in China

- Nanjing University
- University of Science and Technology of China
- Beijing Normal University
- Beihang University
- Dalian University of Technology
- East China Normal University
- Huazhong University of Science and Technology
- Hunan University
- <u>Jilin University</u>
- Lanzhou University

- Northeastern University
- Ocean University of China
- Southeast University
- Shandong University
- Sichuan University
- South China University of Technology
- Tongji University
- University of Electronic Science and Technology of China



Two CSC Schemes

There are two possible Scholarship arrangements:

1) Chinese students undertake a **4 year, full time PhD degree** programme in UCD.

2) Chinese students come on a 6 - 24month Research Visit as an Occasional Student

Note: <u>Irrespective of the scheme the student must follow the</u> <u>same application and approval process</u>

Securing a UCD CSC Scholarship is a Two Stage Process.

Stage 1: The student applies to UCD and following approval by the relevant School Graduate Admissions Committee is given an offer to carry out their doctoral education under the supervision of a UCD supervisor with the condition that the applicants secures the scholarship from the CSC.

Stage 2: The student uses the UCD offer letter to apply to the CSC in China. Only when the student has been approved in both jurisdictions is the scholarship awarded.



Eligibility of the Applicants

- Applicants must be Chinese citizens but do not have to be resident in China at the time of application
- Applicants must meet the UCD minimum English Language Proficiency requirements
 - Internet based TOEFL (iTB): a minimum score of 90 is required.
 - International English Language Testing System (IELTS) an average score of 6.5 over all components is required, with not less than 6.0 in any one strand
 - Duolingo: DET score of 110 is required with at least 100 in each subscore (This test of English will be accepted in 2022 and 2023)
- Applicants can be:
 - o Undergraduate students in their final year
 - o Masters students in the final year or complete
 - PhD students in the first year of their Programme



Terms and Conditions of Scholarship

The successful students under the UCD-CSC scheme will

- have their tuition fees waived by the UCD School
- the CSC will cover the student's living expenses and airfares. The stipend is €1350 per month

Note: there is no consumables/travel budget associated with this Scholarship



Finding a Supervisor

The first step for candidates applying to UCD is to approach an academic member of staff requesting that they support them in their application to the CSC and supervise their PhD if successful in securing the scholarship.

If you are willing to support any potential PhD students please advise them to apply online <u>www.ucd.ie/apply</u> choosing UCD Chinese Scholarship Scheme (TX01)



Application Process-UCD

- The deadline for the submission of online applications to UCD is the **31st January.**
- In February, Graduate Studies will, with the permission of the nominated supervisor, submit the application to the School Graduate Admissions Committee for approval.
- Only those applicants approved by the relevant UCD School will receive an offer letter



Application Process-CSC

- The CSC is open for online applications from mid March therefore the applicant needs their offer letter from UCD prior to this time
- Students apply online to the CSC here
 <u>http://apply.csc.edu.cn/</u>

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CSC release their results in May. Students access the results online.



Starting at UCD

- Normally students begin their PhD programme in September but in certain cases, with the permission of the CSC, they can begin in January or May
- As for all UCD Students, UCD-CSC Students confirm registration to UCD by going online in August
- UCD Graduate Studies will organise authorisation of fee payment once the student has registered
- The Chinese Embassy in Dublin will manage stipend for the students.



For all queries about the UCD-CSC Scholarship Scheme:

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