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2014 Confucius China Studies Program

In order to foster deep understanding of China and the Chinese culture among young generations from around the world, enable the prosperous growth of China studies, promote the sustainable development of Confucius Institutes, and enhance the friendly relationship between China and the people of other countries, the Confucius Institute Headquarters has set up the ?Confucius China Studies Program?.

The Program consists of six subprograms in the academic areas of Humanities and Social Sciences.

I. Joint Ph.D. Fellowship

II. Ph.D. in China Fellowship

III. ?Understanding China? Fellowship

IV. Young Leaders Fellowship

V. International Conference Grant

VI. Publication Grant

I.Joint Ph.D. Fellowship

1. Purpose

Support doctoral students (candidates) registered with foreign universities to come to China for study, research and writing of their doctoral dissertations. Students who successfully complete the program may receive Ph.D. degrees either from the foreign universities they registered or from both the Chinese and the foreign universities.

2. Duration:

From six months to two years.

3. Eligibility

- Non-Chinese citizen;
- HSK[1] test score level 3 is required, and priority is given to applicants with higher level of proficiency in Chinese under same conditions;
- Priority is given to students studying at Confucius Institutes (CI) or from CI host universities;
- Applicants who are currently participating in Chinese Government Scholarship are not eligible to apply for this Program.

4. Application materials

- Ph.D. Study Certificate;
- Two letters of recommendation from scholars in related field;
- HSK[1] transcript;
- Abstract of master's thesis or other academic publications;
- Abstract of doctoral dissertation;
- A research plan for the study in China;
- Priority is given to applicants who obtain a letter of recommendation from local Confucius Institutes.

5. How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

6. Assessment Process

Applicants will have a correspondence review from the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program, followed by an interview.

7. Funding

- Lodging and living stipend: 80,000 RMB per year;
- Research fund: 20,000 RMB per year (to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- Round-trip international airfare (economy class, to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- Tuition fees;
- Other support provided by the host Chinese university;
- Expenses for the foreign supervisor?s visit or research in China;
- Expenses for life and medical insurances in China;
- Group activities and cultural experience.

8. Schedule

- Correspondence review by expert panel in February;
- Interview within 1 month after correspondence review;
- Announcement of final results within 1 month after interview;
- Enrolment in September or March every year.

Appendixes:

1.List of Pilot Chinese Universities for Confucius China Studies Program[3]

2.List of Proposed Research Topics of Confucius China Studies Program[4]

3.Application Form for Joint Ph.D. Fellowship[5]

II. Ph.D. in China Fellowship

1. Purpose

Support foreign students to pursue full-time Ph.D. degrees in the humanities and social sciences at Chinese universities.

2. Duration

Normally from three to four years.

3. Eligibility

- Non-Chinese citizen;
- HSK[1] test score level 5 is required, and priority is given to applicants with higher level of proficiency in Chinese under same conditions;
- Priority is given to students studying at Confucius Institutes (CI) or from CI host universities;
- Applicants who are currently participating in Chinese Government Scholarship are not eligible to apply for this Plan.

4. Application materials

- Recognized transcripts of undergraduate and graduate studies, diplomas and copies of all the documents above in Chinese;
- HSK[1] transcript;
- Abstract of master?s thesis and other academic publications;
- A doctoral research statement;
- Two letters of recommendation from scholars in related field;
- Priority is given to applicants who obtain a letter of recommendation from Confucius Institutes.

5. How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

6. Assessment Process

Applicants will have a correspondence review from the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program, followed by an interview.

7. Funding

- Lodging and living stipend: 80,000 RMB per year;

- Research fund: 20,000 RMB per year (to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- One round-trip international airfare (economy class, to be reimbursed against actual cost) per year;
- Tuition fees;
- Other support provided by the host Chinese university;
- Expenses for life and medical insurances in China;
- Group activities and cultural experience.

8. Schedule

- Correspondence review by experts in February;
- Interview within 1 month after correspondence review;
- Announcement of final results within 1 month after interview;
- Enrolment in September every year.

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III. ?Understanding China? Fellowship

This fellowship consists of the following three categories:

1.?Understanding China? Visiting Scholar to China

1) Purpose and Eligibility

This program serves to support teachers, researchers, postdoctoral scholars with the credential of assistant professor (or equivalent) and above from foreign universities and academic institutes to undertake research with Chinese researchers in China.

Applicants shall be non-Chinese citizens.

2) Duration

From two weeks to six months.

3) Application materials

- An invitation letter from a Chinese university (see Appendix 4);
- Summary of academic publications;
- A research statement for the visit;
- Passport information;
- Priority is given to applicants who obtain a letter of recommendation from local Confucius Institutes, or the Chinese Embassy (Consulate) in your country.

4) How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

5) Assessment

Applicants will have a correspondence review from the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program.

6) Funding

- 10000 RMB per month;
- Round-trip international airfare (economy class, to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- Expenses for life and medical insurances in China.

7) Schedule

After a 3-months expert review, the admitted applicants will receive ?Notice of Funding? from the Confucius Institute Headquarters. The according host Chinese universities will be informed simultaneously.

2.?Understanding China? Short-term Visit

1) Purpose

The ?Understanding China? Short-term Visit program serves to support senior officials from government, education and culture, non-governmental organizations and business.

2) Duration

From two weeks to two months.

3) Application materials

- Achievements and rewards;
- A statement of purpose for the visit;
- Passport information;
- Priority is given to applicants who obtain a letter of recommendation from local Confucius Institutes, or the Chinese Embassy (Consulate) in your country.

4) How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

5) Assessment

Applicants will have a correspondence review from the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program.

6) Funding

- Accommodation and travel expenses in China;
- Round-trip international airfare (economy class, to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- Expenses for life and medical insurances in China.

7) Schedule

After passing a correspondence review from our expert panel, the admitted applicants will receive ?Notice of Funding? from the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

3. ?Understanding China? Chinese Visiting Scholar

1) Purpose and Eligibility

This program serves to support Chinese senior scholars to give credit courses on Chinese economics, business, finance, law, and culture etc. in foreign universities; scholars shall give lectures at Confucius Institutes in the host country or neighboring countries.

2) Duration

From 6 to 12 months. The duration could be extended at the request of the host country and the evaluation of performance accordingly.

3) Application materials

- Application form;
- Specifications of the credit courses.

4) How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

- The Headquarters shall select applicants from the candidates? pool or recruit new candidates at request.
- Scholars will be dispatched upon the approval of both Confucius Institute and the Chinese university.

5) Funding

- Scholars will be paid according to the standard of Government-sponsored teachers;
- Extra research grant will be given to the scholar when needed.

Appendixes:

1.Application Form for ?Understanding China? Visiting Scholar to China[7]

2.Application Form for ?Understanding China? Short-term Visit[8]

3.Application Form for ?Understanding China? Chinese Visiting Scholar[9]

4.List of Pilot Chinese Universities for Confucius China Studies Program[3]

IV. Young Leaders Fellowship

1. Purpose

1) Support outstanding youths who have been awarded at least a Bachelor?s Degree and hold a certain position in the field of politics, economics, finance, law, education, culture, arts, and media to visit China;

2) There are two ways in applying for the grant: (1) a plan will be made by the Headquarters and published at due time through www.hanban.org [10] and ccsp.chinese.cn, applicants can apply accordingly; (2) applicants can make their own visit plan and submit it to the Headquarters;

3) Support senior undergraduates or graduates holding a position in students? associations at foreign universities to visit China.

2. Duration

From two weeks to six months.

3. Eligibility

- Non-Chinese citizen;
- Normally under the age of 40;
- Being interested in public affairs, and aspired to make positive contributions to the exchange and collaboration between China and other countries.

4. Application materials

- Application form;
- A letter of recommendation from the current employer and two from other referees;
- A statement of purpose for the visit;
- Priority is given to applicants who obtain a letter of recommendation from local Confucius Institutes, or the Chinese Embassy (Consulate) in your country.

5. How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

6. Assessment Process

Applicants will have a correspondence review from the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program.

7. Funding

- Accommodation and travel expenses in China;

- Round-trip international airfare (economy class, to be reimbursed against actual cost);
- Expenses for life and medical insurances in China.

Appendix:

Application Form for Young Leaders Fellowship[11]

V. International Conference Grant

1. Purpose

The International Conference Grant is aimed at supporting Confucius Institutes, universities, research institutes, and scholars to hold or attend international academic conferences on Sinology and/or China Studies.

2. How to apply

Applicants shall log in onccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

- Sponsors of conference shall submit application documents, including the theme, scale, and budget of the conference.
- Participators of conference shall submit invitation of sponsors, outline for speech as well as budgets for accommodation, transportation, and registration fees for the conference.

3. Assessment Process

The application will be examined and reviewed by the expert panel of the Confucius China Studies Program.

4. Funding

- The accommodation and travel expenses of conference speakers;
- Registration fees;
- Publication fees of conference proceedings.

Appendix:

Application Form for International Conference Grant[12]

VI. Publication Grant

1. Purpose and Eligibility

Publication Grant supports foreign scholars to publish or translate relevant monographs, doctoral dissertations, or founding relevant academic journals on Sinology and/or China Studies.

The leading applicant must be non-Chinese citizen.

2. Application materials

- A brief description of the nature and scope of the publication project and its importance to the field;
- At least a 30-pages sample in Chinese;
- A budget;
- Letters of recommendation from at least 2 referees in the area of the proposal;
- Publisher contract or letter of intent from foreign publishers with a specified timeline for completion of the project.

3. How to apply

Applicants shall log in on ccsp.chinese.cn, download and fill in the application form, sign it before scanning it and sending it to ccsp@hanban.org [2], and then post the application forms and other supporting documents required (both Chinese and English versions) in one packet to the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

4. Funding

The grant covers expenses for editing, translation, publication, circulation and advertising. The exact expenses will be approved according to the application.

Appendix:

Application Form for Publication Grant[13]

What is Confucius China Studies Program? ?

Confucius China Studies Program?is set up by Confucius Institute Headquarters. The majority of financial support is provided through support of specific research and other projects to foster deep understanding of China and the Chinese culture among young elites from around the world, to enable the prosperous growth of China studies, to promote the sustainable development of Confucius Institutes, and to enhance the friendly relationship between China and the people of other countries.

When is the application deadline of 2014 projects?

Applicants for Sino-Foreign Joint Ph.D. Subprogram and Ph.D. in China Subprogram should submit their applications to the Confucius Institute Headquarters by February 28th, 2014. The application materials should include the Chinese versions. The Headquarters will organize the ?Confucius China Studies Program? Expert Committee to conduct the appraisal and interview. The result of appraisal will be announced in the spring of 2014. The first batch of candidates will start their programs from the autumn of 2014. The starting and termination time of other subprograms will be determined in accordance to their specific situation.

Is there any requirement of Chinese proficiency?

The HSK [1] test score of the applicants for Sino-Foreign Joint Ph.D. Subprogram should be no less than level 3, for Ph. D. in China Subprogram no less than level 5.

What?s the specific application process?

Applicants shall log in http://ccsp.chinese.cn [14], set up an individual account, download and fill in the Application Form, upload the relevant certification materials, submit and print out the form. Please send the signed application form and other application materials (see About CCSP) to the Confucius Institute Headquarters and Chinese university (including the Chinese versions). The Headquarters will organize the ?Confucius China Studies Program? Expert Committee to conduct the appraisal and interview.

Scope of Subsidies

The subsidies for the Sino-Foreign Joint Ph.D. Subprogram, Ph.D. in China Subprogram and the ?Understanding China? visiting scholar subprogram may include: in China research fund, tuition, lodging and living stipend, library stipend, in-China health and accident insurance, as well as expenditures for attending academic conference in related areas (one time per year), round-trip international transportation, and other living and work condition support provided by the Chinese and/or oversea universities hosting the program. Please log on for information about specific amount of subsidies. For short-term program of less than one year, subsidies will be provided in accordance to the practical needs. Subsidy for publishing and international conference will be appraised and decided by the ?Confucius China Studies Program? Expert Committee, based on actual needs.

Source URL: http://www.wmuconfucius.org/scholarship/2014

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[2] mailto:ccsp@hanban.org
[3] http://www.wmuconfucius.org/sites/default/files/List%20of%20Pilot%20Chinese%20Universities%20for%20Confucius%2
[4] http://www.wmuconfucius.org/sites/default/files/List%20of%20Proposed%20Research%20Topics%20of%20Confucius%
[5] http://www.wmuconfucius.org/sites/default/files/Application%20Form%20for%20Joint%20Ph.D.%20Fellowship.doc

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