



# China Scholarship Council-The University of Manchester Joint Scholarship Programme for PhD study 2021-22

# **Current Closing Date for applications to The University of Manchester:** <u>15 January 2021</u>

Please note this is the proposed closing date for applications to The University of Manchester and may be subject to change, once China Scholarship Council have confirmed their application deadline, to be completed once an academic offer has been confirmed by The University of Manchester. Further information on this will be provided and <u>any changes to the 15 January 2021 university</u> <u>application deadline, will be advertised here.</u>

The University of Manchester is pleased to continue the formal partnership with the China Scholarship Council to develop high calibre research collaborations between UK and Chinese universities and research institutions, now with more funding available to students. We have **52 Joint Scholarships** available, across the University.

### Up to 52 scholarships will be supported per academic year, as follows for each Faculty.

- Up to 40 PhD tuition-fee waivers for subjects within the <u>Faculty of Science and</u> <u>Engineering</u>
- 6 PhD tuition-fee waivers for subjects within the Faculty of Humanities
- 6 PhD tuition-fee waivers for subjects within the <u>Faculty of Biology Medicine and</u> <u>Health</u>

## Benefits

- For successful applicants, The University of Manchester will cover their full tuition fees for the period of the relevant programme as outlined in the offer letter (usually three years). CSC will provide living allowances as prescribed from time to time by the Chinese Government, and will cover the round-trip international airfare for students from China to the United Kingdom, visa and passport application fees.
- The funding for each awardee will be up to 48 months [Standard offer is normally 3 years 36 months, but if the institution makes it clear in the offer that a student requires 3+1 year to finish their study, CSC can offer 48 months allowances]

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Please note:

The successful applicants will be responsible for arranging their Visa's in to the Country and The University of Manchester will not be responsible or liable in any way for any successful applicant's failure to obtain a visa or other requisite paperwork for entry and study in Manchester.

#### Criteria

- Candidates will be citizens and permanent residents of the People's Republic of China at the time of application; overseas Chinese students may be eligible for application subject to CSC policy at the time; (CSC publicises the policy in October or November every year)
- Successful candidates must return to China upon completion of their studies and/or research;
- Candidates must hold an unconditional offer letter from UoM. They must therefore fulfil the relevant academic entry requirements set by UoM, including a high level of English language proficiency, as outlined on the University's website: <u>www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/country-specific-information/chinamainland.htm</u>
- Candidates should satisfy the selection criteria set out by CSC; Candidates should refer to the web link: http://www.csc.edu.cn/chuguo

### **Application and selection process**

- (1) Candidates should apply directly for admission to The University of Manchester by the stated deadline. Candidates should specify in their application that they wish to apply for The University of Manchester/CSC joint scholarship scheme.
- (2) The University of Manchester will evaluate the candidates, upon receiving applications and rank them in priority order. The University of Manchester will provide CSC and each qualified candidate with a copy of the offer letter.
- (3) After receiving the offer letter from The University of Manchester, candidates must also apply to CSC for funding by completing an application for funding and employer reference (Application form available online at: <u>http://apply.csc.edu.cn</u>) by the set deadline confirmed by CSC. Please see the above website for the dates of when the CSC application portal will open and close.

(4) CSC will evaluate the candidates according to CSC requirements and priorities, and provide The University of Manchester with a final list of scholarship recipients and inform the successful candidates.

#### Applying for Admission to The University of Manchester

#### 1) Application Procedure:

To apply for a postgraduate research programme, you will need to complete and submit our online <u>application form.</u>

Please be aware that the things you need to do before you submit your formal application may vary according to the programme you are applying for. You can find specific guidance for each subject area on the relevant <u>programme profile</u>.

2) You can apply online at <u>www.manchester.ac.uk/study/postgraduate-</u> research/admissions/how-to-apply/

Please read the Application Checklist carefully, as well as guidance on all supporting documentation needed for your application to The University of Manchester.

#### Application checklist:

- Make a note of the application deadline, if there is one. We generally advise you to apply as early as possible.
- Choose and make contact with your <u>potential supervisor</u>
- Make sure you have evidence of prior academic qualifications to hand these will be certificates or transcripts to show that you meet, or expect to meet the entry requirements.
- Provide evidence of English language ability, if English is not your first language. Please note that some English language test results are only valid for two years. Your English language test report must be valid on the start date of your programme.
- Obtain two references <u>download our referee report form</u> (PDF document, 50 KB)
- <u>Prepare a research proposal</u>/piece of academic writing, if required. This will be specified on the relevant academic School website.
- Make a copy of your passport, if you will need a visa to study in the UK.
- Prepare a personal statement/statement of purpose, if required. This will be specified on the relevant academic School website.
- Prepare your CV

#### Application form

Follow the link below to begin the application process. You will find instructions on how to apply throughout the form.

#### Apply now

#### 3) Further Information:

CSC and UoM will support the following areas of study subject to the number of scholarships outlined with priority:

Up to 40 PhD tuition-fee waivers available for the Faculty of Science and Engineering, comprising programmes within the Departments of:

Chemistry; Chemical Engineering and Analytical Science; Computer Science; Earth, Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences; Electrical and Electronic Engineering; Materials; Mathematics; Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering; Physics and Astronomy.

6 PhD tuition-fee waivers available for the Faculty of Humanities comprising programmes within the Schools of:

Alliance Manchester Business School (AMBS); Social Sciences; Environment, Education and Development, Arts Languages and Cultures and Law.

6 PhD tuition-fee waivers for subjects within the Faculty of Biology Medicine and Health, comprising programmes within the Schools of:

Biological Sciences, Health Sciences and Medical Sciences.

Please note:

Candidates should be intending to pursue study/research in one of the priority academic areas identified by The University of Manchester and CSC. However, applicants to other study/research areas will also be considered subject to the availability of relevant programmes of study at The University of Manchester.

The University of Manchester central contact for questions regarding the scholarship programme is:

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