



2026 Application Guide for Ph.D. Programs for International Students

Introduction to China University of Petroleum, Beijing:

<https://www.cup.edu.cn/overseas/AboutUs/Introduction/index.htm>

The list of Ph.D. Programs:

<https://www.cup.edu.cn/overseas/docs/2025-10/50227fa5b8944d39937e41b94c3b027f.pdf>

Duration of studies: 4 years

1. Application Qualifications:

1. Physically and mentally healthy, law-abiding, and no criminal record, friendly towards China, able to meet the normal study and life at school.
2. Applicant's age should be under 40 years old.

3. Applicants should be a non-Chinese citizen who can study and live in the school in good health and with a sound mind. If both or one of the applicant's parents is a Chinese citizen and resides in a foreign country, the applicant has foreign nationality at birth. In that case, they do not have Chinese nationality and must have a record of actually living abroad for more than 2 years within the last 4 years. (Nine (9) months living abroad are equivalent to one year, subject to entry and exit visas).

Chinese emigrants who apply to come to China for undergraduate study as international students must hold a valid foreign passport or nationality certificate for more than 4 years. Within the 4 years, they must have a record of living abroad for more than 2 years (9 months abroad in a year can be calculated as one year, subject to entry and exit visas).

4. Master's degree Holder

5. Language Requirements:

Chinese-taught programs: HSK5 $\geq$ 180

English-taught programs: Applicants should be native English speakers or come from countries with English as the official language; otherwise, they should provide a valid English test certificate such as IELTS $\geq$ 6.5, TOEFL $\geq$ 80, or TOEFL Essentials $\geq$ 9 (DI Code: C806).

2. Scholarship Application:

Category: **CSC Scholarship Type A** (Apply through the Chinese Embassy in your country)

Application Procedure:

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It would be best if you enquired from the Chinese Embassy or consulate in your country on how to apply for a Ph.D. at the China University of Petroleum-Beijing. Besides, you need to apply for a Pre-Admission Letter through the university's online application system (<https://cie-registration.cup.edu.cn/>) and choose CSC Type-A. For more information, please contact our admission office. The application period is generally from December 2025 to March 2026.

Category: **CSC Scholarship Type B** (apply through our university, **agency number:11414**)

Application procedure:

Please submit your application in both the university portal and the Chinese government scholarship application system.

The university application portal: <https://cie-registration.cup.edu.cn>

The Chinese government scholarship application portal: <https://studyinchina.csc.edu.cn/#/login>

The application will start on 15th-October-2025 till 30th-May-2026.

※ **The limit of Age should be below 40 years old.**

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1. Register with your email address and complete the application by following instructions on CUP online application portal: <https://cie-registration.cup.edu.cn>

2. Submit all the required application materials.

※ One email address can only be used to create only one account.

3. The application starts on 25th-October-2025 till 30th-May-2026.

Please visit our website to check the scholarship application guide for more information on application eligibility.

3. Application Materials:

- 1) Photocopy of your Passport home page
- 2) Scanned copies of all China visa pages and China entry and exit record pages
- 3) Master's Graduation Certificate and translated copy in Chinese (If you have not graduated yet, please get in touch with your present school to provide you with a "certificate of expected graduation")
- 4) Official transcripts of your grades in master's degree and translated copies in either Chinese or English version, the average score is more than 70% and $GPA \geq 3.0/5.0$.
- 5) Language Proficiency Certificate

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- 6) Non-Criminal Record Certificate
- 7) 2 Recommendation letters (From an associate professor and above, Or Senior Professional in your field of study for postgraduate students)
- 8) Supervisor Acceptance Letter (Compulsory)
- 9) Physical Examination Form (With all lab and X-ray test reports)
- 10) Study and Research Plan (should be signed by the Supervisor at CUP)
- 11) Bank Reference Letter

※**Bank Reference Letter:** The fund requirement shall be calculated according to the basic expenses (tuition, accommodation, living expenses, insurance, etc.) of the program that the applicant applied for. It is required that the corresponding amount be deposited in the applicant's account for at least one month.

If another person's account is used, a certificate proving the relationship between the applicant and the account owner should be provided. The certificate should be notarized by the local government and verified by the local Chinese Embassy or consulate abroad.

※If the application materials are translated, they must be submitted after notarization.

※ Ph.D. applicants should have at least:

Chinese taught/English taught programs: 60000 RMB

4. Fees Structure:

Application fee: 400 RMB or 70 US dollars.

Tuition: 36000 RMB per year

On-campus accommodation: 800 RMB /1200 RMB monthly per person depending on the room type.

China University of Petroleum provides a variety of payment methods such as mobile phone payment, on-site Union Pay card payment, or bank transfer.

※**All applicants must complete an online application and pay the application fee (except CSC type A applicants) before being considered for admission to China University of Petroleum, Beijing.**

5. Notes:

- 1. The government will directly pay tuition for students on CSC or Beijing Government Scholarships to the university; students do not need to pay the fee themselves and cannot claim the money.
- 2. If CSC scholarship or Beijing Government Scholarship students choose to live on campus, we will provide free double room at International Students Dormitory. The government will

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- directly pay the dormitory fee to the university, so the student does not need to pay by themselves.
3. Comprehensive insurance is bought for CSC scholarship and Beijing Government Scholarship students. The government will pay the fees to the insurance company, so there is no need to pay by yourself. You can neither give up the insurance nor claim the money for buying the insurance.
 4. The funding period for a Ph.D. CSC scholarship depends on the study duration. If you need to take additional one-year Chinese language training, the scholarship will also cover this year. The duration of the scholarship cannot be extended.

6. Bank Information

The payments can be made online or by bank transfer.

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FAQ

For more questions, please check: <https://www.cup.edu.cn/overseas/Admission/FAQ/index.htm>

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