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MOFCOM Scholarship Programme in China – 2026

Master of Public Administration in International Development and Governance Programme – Tsinghua University

The Government of the People's Republic of China has invited nominations from eligible government sector officials for the above-mentioned scholarship programme. Detailed information on the programme, together with the 2026 Enrolment Guide, including eligibility criteria, scholarship coverage, and application procedures, are annexed herewith and will also be made available on the Department of External Resources (ERD) website (www.erd.gov.lk).

This programme is designed to equip participants with functional expertise, strategic perspectives, and public policy management competencies required to operate effectively in a dynamic and evolving environment. It further provides an opportunity to gain valuable insights into both the achievements and challenges of China's policy-making processes, thereby enhancing participants' understanding of development practices.

Accordingly, you are kindly requested to circulate the programme details among the Departments, Divisions, and Institutes gazetted under your purview and to forward suitable nominations to the ERD. Nominations should be submitted in compliance with TA Circular No. 2013/2014(ii) dated 24 October 2013 of the Ministry of Finance and Planning, together with the following documents:

- Nomination Letter from the respective Ministry (covering letter with recommendation)
- Duly completed Application Form (computer fillable version), downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk
- Soft copy of the completed Application Form in Word format, with an inserted electronic passport-size photograph (to be emailed to info@erd.gov.lk)
- Physical Examination Form (downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk)
- Duly completed ERD Form (downloadable from www.erd.gov.lk)
- One coloured scanned copy of the passport (bio-data page), valid for at least six months from the commencement date of the programme
- All other documents specified in the application procedure outlined in the attached information document, and any other documents required under the respective university application process.

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Applicants are further required to submit their applications through the online application system of the respective university, in accordance with the relevant enrolment guidelines. In addition, applicants are requested to access the China Scholarship Council (CSC) online application portal (www.campuschina.org) and register under "Scholarship Application for Students." Applicants should carefully adhere to the application procedures stipulated in the 2026 Enrolment Guide.

Applicants are advised to ensure strict compliance with all eligibility criteria specified in the Enrolment Guide, including academic qualifications, age limits, and service requirements, where applicable.

It is also kindly requested that each nomination be duly certified and endorsed by the Head of the respective Department/Institution, confirming that the applicant meets all eligibility requirements and that the nomination is submitted with official concurrence.

Please ensure that complete applications are submitted to ERD on or before **4:00 p.m. on 12 May 2026**. Ministries are kindly requested to complete their internal screening and approval processes sufficiently in advance to facilitate timely submission. Only duly completed applications (items i–vii), received on or before the stipulated deadline, will be considered. Incomplete or non-compliant applications will not be processed.

Applications received by ERD will be forwarded to the Economic and Commercial Office of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Sri Lanka for the selection process. Shortlisted candidates will be informed in due course regarding the subsequent steps of the admission process.

For any clarifications relating to the application procedure, applicants may contact the Department of External Resources through the designated focal point of the Ministry/ institution.

Please note that, upon confirmation of selection, nominees are expected to honour their acceptance and refrain from withdrawal except under exceptional and unavoidable circumstances. As these opportunities are extended for the benefit of the country, withdrawals after selection may adversely affect Sri Lanka's standing and result in the loss of valuable training opportunities, while depriving other deserving officers. Accordingly, Ministries and applicants are kindly requested to ensure that nominations are submitted only with a firm and unconditional commitment to participate.

The Government of the People's Republic of China will provide a full scholarship covering the following expenses:

- Tuition fees
- Accommodation
- Round-trip international airfare
- Living allowance in China
- Medical insurance

The following expenses shall be borne by the applicant:

- Passport and visa fees

As the required information is to be submitted to the Embassy of the People's Republic of China within a limited timeframe, your kind cooperation in expediting the nomination process would be highly appreciated.



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Enclosed: /

1. 2026 Enrolment Guide, China Scholarship Council
2. Master of Public Administration in International Development and Governance Programme, Tsinghua University Information Guide



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Tsinghua University

Master of Public Administration

in International Development and Governance Program

Admission Brochure

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1. Program Introduction

1.1 Brief Introduction

1.1.1 Program Information

Academic Education Programs sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) of People's Republic of China is designed to foster high-end officials and managerial personnel for the recipient countries, offering one-year and two-year master programs as well as three-year doctoral programs for the purpose of educating high-end and interdisciplinary talents working in the applied fields of government, trade, foreign affairs, agriculture, technology, education, culture and health, building intellectual capacity and facilitating the economic and social development of the recipient countries. These programs provide assistance to governmental officials, research fellows, and senior managerial personnel for their master and doctor education in China, which are fully conducted in English. Admission requirements include a bachelor's degree, relevant working experiences, and healthy physical conditions, which is essential for the intense study required for the degrees.

As a result of the positive effects brought by these programs in strengthening economic ties and friendship between China and the recipient countries, MOFCOM will continuously intensify its efforts in enlarging the enrollment scale and improving the quality of education. We believe that by attending the programs and achieving the degrees, you will embrace a successful career and brighter future.

Tsinghua University's Master of Public Administration in International Development and Governance (MIDG) program will begin its students' recruitment of this year. This program is a two-year Academic Education Program sponsored by MOFCOM and offered by the School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM) at Tsinghua University. Launched in 2015, MIDG program is designed for professionals engaged in international development and governance in developing countries. By integrating cross-disciplinary knowledge and combining traditional classroom teaching



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as well as practice, the program aims to help students gain a deep understanding of international development and governance with emphasis of China's development experience, and enhances their analytical and problem-solving abilities by applying public administrative theories and tools. MIDG program is taught entirely in English and students will be conferred Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree upon completion of required credits and thesis defense.



1.1.2 Prospective Students

Our prospective students are mid-to-senior level officials or managers from the government, the media, NGOs, and other public sectors, who have demonstrated superior performance, both academically and in their work. By the time of matriculation, each must have obtained an undergraduate bachelor's degree in the case of our master program and a master's degree in the case of our doctoral program. MIDG program aims to cultivate high-level, interdisciplinary and application-oriented talents in the fields of politics, economic trade, diplomacy, agriculture, science, education, culture, health, energy, transportation and public administration.

1.1.3 Program Highlights

1. Academic Uniqueness

With the integration of Tsinghua SPPM's resources, about 30 English courses are offered in the two-year degree program.

2. Practical Orientation

In order to give students opportunities to gain first-hand experience of integrated development approaches in a real-world context, MIDG program enhances the practical training by providing various opportunities of field trips and guest



lectures.

3. Global Network

There is an opportunity to learn with young professionals from developing countries and share experience in international development and governance. Students can also gain a better understanding of international development and governance with emphasis of China's development experience.

1.1.4 Enrollment Plan

In 2026, Tsinghua University plans to enroll up to 15 students for MIDG program.

1.1.5 Scholarship Coverage

The admitted students will be financially supported by **MOFCOM**. The scholarship will cover tuition, accommodation, one-time round trip air tickets and one-time round-trip airfares for home visit during the program (only in summer or winter breaks), insurance, textbook and material fee, field trip and research fee, graduation thesis supervision fee and etc. Students will receive monthly stipend (RMB 3,000) and one-time relocation (RMB 3,000). The monthly stipend will be paid based on the actual duration of the student's stay in China, with a maximum of 24 months. All other expenses will be managed by MOFCOM and the university together. The sponsorship is only for 2 years. If the student cannot complete the study within the required 2 years, the scholarship is not able to be extended.

The scholarship should be approved by MOFCOM. **All degree students are required to take part in the annual evaluation. Only those who have achieved the standard in the academic performance evaluation can continue to enjoy the scholarship in the next year.**

It is not allowed to bring spouse or children to China to accompany the students to study. If a student expects to have his/her spouse, children, relatives or friends to visit him/her during the stay in Beijing, the visitors will have to bear all the expenses by him/herself. MOFCOM and the university are not responsible for taking



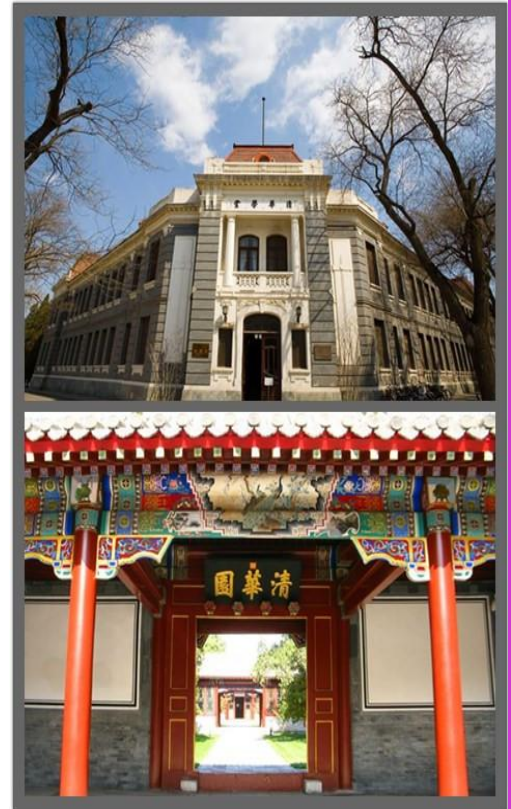
care of them.

1.2 Introduction of Tsinghua University

1.2.1 Tsinghua University

Tsinghua University was established in 1911, originally under the name “Tsinghua Xuetang”. As one of China’s most renowned universities, Tsinghua has become an important institution for fostering talent and scientific research.

At present, the university has 33 schools, 54 departments and 16 colleges with faculties in science, engineering, humanities, law, medicine, history, philosophy, economics, management, education and art. The University has now over 40,000 students, including over 15,000 undergraduates and over 27,000 graduate students.



With the motto of “Self-Discipline and Social Commitment” and the spirit of “Actions Speak Louder than Words”, Tsinghua University is dedicated to the well-being of Chinese society and to world development.

1.2.2 School of Public Policy and Management

The School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM) at Tsinghua University was founded in 2000. As the first graduate school in public administration in China, the school’s long-term objective is to become a world-class institution that actively engages in teaching, research, and consulting in global public affairs.

Great progress has been made since the school’s





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founding. Tsinghua SPPM has built an outstanding faculty team and established an excellent MPA program and research-oriented Master and Ph.D. programs in public management. Since 2007, the school launched six English taught master programs besides MIDG program, namely Master of Public Administration in International Development (MID), International Master of Public Administration (IMPA), Master of Public Policy for Sustainable Development Goals (MPP-SDG), International Master of Public Administration in the Belt and Road Initiative (IMPA-BRI) and International Master of Public Administration for Future Leaders (IMPA-Future Leaders). More than 1,000 international students have graduated from Tsinghua SPPM, covering more than 100 countries and regions from six continents.

On July 16th, 2013, Tsinghua MPA program received the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA) Accreditation. It is the first MPA program outside the United States to receive NASPAA Accreditation. MPA program received the NASPAA Accreditation for the second time in 2022 and passed the Chinese Advanced MPA Education Accreditation (CAMPA) in 2025.

There are currently more than 60 faculty members at Tsinghua SPPM. Among them, many have earned their doctoral degrees from world-renowned universities. They are actively engaged in researches covering public policies, economics, politics, political economy, international relations, NGO, social/government/industrial innovation, anti-corruption, development study, crisis management etc.

The research activities in public policy and management in the school have made important contributions to the formulation and implementation of public policies in China. Close partnerships and cooperation have also been forged with international organizations and academic programs in the field of public policy and management around the world.

1.2.3 Life at Beijing and Tsinghua

Life at Beijing

In Beijing, the climate is a typical north temperate and semi humid continental monsoon climate. It is rainy in summer, cold and dry in winter with very short spring and autumn. The annual average temperature is 10-12 degrees. In winter,



down jacket is needed. As an international metropolis and China's national political center, Beijing has a long historical tradition and rich cultural heritage. In 2024, the per capita disposable income of Beijing residents was around 85,400 yuan. The living expense is high in Beijing.

Life at Tsinghua

Tsinghua University provides dormitory rooms for MIDG program students, with each student staying in one room. Each room includes a single bed, a desk, chairs, a wardrobe, central air conditioning, wired and wireless networks, with public bathroom and toilet on each floor. There are more than 10 student dining halls at campus, providing a variety of dishes including Muslim and Western food. Various sports facilities are also provided on campus, including: the Natatorium (swimming and diving), the Comprehensive Gymnasium (badminton, table tennis, basketball, and gymnastics), the West Gymnasium (badminton, basketball, volleyball, and billiards), the West Playground, the East Playground, Zijing Sports Complex (basketball, tennis, volleyball, and soccer), etc. International students can have their own internet accounts and get access to various on-campus internet resources.

1.3 Academic Plan

1.3.1 Curriculum Arrangement

The MIDG program consists of four semesters of full-time academic work, with a minimum course requirement of 34 credits to complete the degree, including the public required course, 5 credits; core courses, 9 credits; concentration courses, no less than 6 credits; electives, no less than 6 credits; required components, no less than 8 credits. **Students must gain all the required credits before the beginning of the fourth semester to be able to join the thesis defense.**

Curriculum

1) Public Required Course (5 credits, examinations)

Language course Group number: First Foreign Language Class (0000002) 2 credits (exam)

- (1) 64203012 Primary Chinese (A)
- (2) 64203022 Primary Chinese (B)
- (3) 64203032 Intermediate Chinese (A)



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- (4) 64203042 Intermediate Chinese (B)
- (5) 64203052 Intermediate Chinese
- (6) 64203062 Intermediate- Advanced Chinese
- (7) 64203072 Advanced Chinese

- Overview of China (Group No. 00000007) 3 credits (exam)

Note: Students can choose one 2-3 credit Chinese History or Culture. Insufficient credit can be substituted by extra credits from concentration or elective courses.

Course	Course Name	Credits	Language	Semester of
60040011	Development and Management of the Yellow River Basin	1	English	Autumn
60590042	Government Operations in China	2	Chinese	Autumn
60610082	Chinese Culture and Society	2	English	Autumn
60610112	An introduction of Science, Technology and Society in China	2	Chinese	Autumn
60640542	Introduction to Chinese Thought and Culture	2	English	Autumn
60660053	Introduction to Chinese Law and Chinese Society	3	English	Autumn
60680031	Social and Economic Policies, Practices and Challenges in Contemporary China	1	English	Autumn
60972003	Chinese Culture, History and Values	3	English	Autumn
80000902	History of Chinese Architecture	3	English	Autumn
80800362	Chinese Traditional Furniture Research	2	Chinese	Autumn
80800702	The study of Chinese ink painting	2	Chinese	Autumn
80970222	Political thought in Chinese history and philosophy	2	Chinese	Autumn
60640522	A Panoramic View of Chinese Culture	2	English	Autumn/Spring
61030132	A Chinese Perspective on Global Development Issues	2	English	Autumn/Spring
60050032	Human Perspectives on Environmental Issues and Solutions	2	English	Spring
60510341	Macroeconomics: The Chinese Economy	2	English	Spring
60510371	Frontiers of Chinese Contemporary Issues Research	1	Chinese & English	Spring



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60610132	Chinese Philosophy	1	English	Spring
60640552	New Horizon in Chinese Philosophy	2	English	Spring
60050032	Environmental problems and countermeasures from a humanistic	2	English	Spring
60690032	An Introduction of Chinese History and Culture	2	English	Spring
60690053	The Artistic and Cultural Interaction Between China and the West	2	English	Spring
80140292	Energy strategy for sustainable development	3	English	Spring
80670632	Intercultural communication	2	English	Spring

2) Core Courses (9 credits)

Number	Course	Credit	Exam
70590643	Strategic Management of Public Organizations	3 credits	(Exam)
80590173	Comparative Politics and Government)	3 credits	(Exam)

3) Concentration Required Courses (No less than 6 credits)

Number	Course	Credit	Exam
80590623	Governance and Development	3 credits	(Exam)
80591203	Sociology and Social Policy	3 credits	(Exam) (Open one year interval)
80590713	Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development Practice	3 credits	(Exam)
80591633	International Organizations and Global Governance	3 credits	(Exam) (The following year)
80590833	Development: Theory and Practice	3 credits	(Exam)
80590683	Politics and Government in China	3 credits	(Exam)

Note: Subject to the approval of their advisors, students can also formulate their own area of concentration by taking no more than 3 credits of science and engineering courses offered in Chinese or English. Students are responsible for registering the courses online.



4) Electives Courses (No less than 6 credits)

Number	Course	Credit	Exam
80590203	International Political Economy	3 credits	(Exam)
80591653	Public Law with International Perspective	3 credits	(Exam)
90590023	Frontier on Public Policy Study-International Political Economy Analysis	3 credits	(Exam)
70590603	Economic Development and Policy in China	3 credits	(Exam)
80590853	Frontier of Public Management	3 credits	(Exam)

In addition to the above elective courses, you can also take the "Chinese Development and Global Governance Courses Group" or "English Group on Resources and Environment" courses to meet the elective courses' credits.

➤ **Chinese Development and Global Governance Courses Group**

Course Name	Course Number	Department Offering the course
Guest Lecture Series I	80590901	School of Public Administration
Introduction to Sustainable Development	70590773	School of Public Administration
Development Theory and Practice	80590833	School of Public Administration
Frontiers in Public Policy - International Political Economy Analysis	90590023	School of Public Administration
McKinsey Course: Global Leadership	80515182	School of Business
International Finance	70510243	School of Economics and Management
Innovation and Entrepreneurship in China	80970212	Schwarzman College
China's International Development Cooperation: Theory, Policy and Practice	80977132	Schwarzman College



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Global media and entertainment industry	80970242	Schwarzman College
Regional Security in Asia	80977192	Schwarzman College
Strategic communication in the New Era of Globalization	80977212	Schwarzman College
The Future design of the Fourth Industrial Revolution	80970191	Schwarzman College
Political thought in Chinese History and philosophy	80970222	Schwarzman College
China's foreign relations	80977172	Schwarzman College
Analysis of Major Economic Issues in China and the World	70970002	Schwarzman College
Clean Energy transition	80974251	Schwarzman College
Global and Chinese environmental governance	80974282	Schwarzman College
Improving the urban Environment: A Review of Problems and Methods	80974331	Schwarzman College
Ethics and governance of Artificial intelligence	80974341	Schwarzman College
China's relations with other developing countries	80977231	Schwarzman College
Analysis of Political Economy in Developing Countries	80977042	Schwarzman College
Business Sustainability Leadership at Home and abroad	80970122	Schwarzman College
Foreign Policy and infrastructure construction	80977252	Schwarzman College
Cyber Security and Global Affairs	80977242	Schwarzman College
Science and Technology Policy and Innovation in China	80974362	Schwarzman College

➤ **English Group on Resources and Environment**

Course Name	Course Number	Department Offering the course	Notes
Integrated River management	80040103	Department of Hydraulic Engineering	
World Basin Planning and Management Comparison	80040272	Department of Hydraulic Engineering	



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Environmental Management and Policy	80050213	School of the Environment	
Sustainable management of water resources and water environment	70050293	School of the Environment	
Industrial Ecology and circular Economy	80050183	School of the Environment	
Environmental Risk Analysis	70050112	School of the Environment	
Material flow analysis and its applications	70050362	School of the Environment	
Global Environmental Issues	80050253	School of the Environment	
International environmental cooperation project development and management	80050561	School of the Environment	
Sustainable energy strategies	80140292	Department of Energy and Power Engineering	Spring Semester
Clean Energy transition	80974251	Schwarzman College	Partner colleges only
Global and Chinese environmental governance	80974282	Schwarzman College	Partner colleges only

Note: Students can take other courses offered to graduate students by Tsinghua University (no more than 6 credits) with advisor's approval.

5) Required Components (8 credits)

Number	Course	Credit	Exam
70590673	Research Design and Thesis Writing	3credits	(Exam)
80590913	China Development: Field Trip Series	3credits	(Exam)
69990021	Literature Review and Thesis Proposal	1 credit	(Exam)
● Professional Ethics Courses (no less than 1 credit)			
80591751	International Development Frontier I	1 credit	(Exam)
80590901	Guest Lecture Series I	1 credit	(Exam)
60590071	Ethics in Public Administration	1 credit	(Exam)
80590213	Science & Art of Leadership	3 credits	(Exam)

Instructions:



***China Development: Field Trip Series : Students are required to complete a social practice organized by the Project Office and submit a Reflection Paper.**

1.3.2 Faculty

	Name	Title	Field
1	Zhu Junming	Associate Professor PhD, University of Maryland	Resources, Environmental Policy Analysis and Evaluation, Environmental Governance, Industrial Ecology
2	Zhou Yuan	Associate Professor PhD, University of Cambridge	Public Policy, Innovation Management, Innovation Policy
3	Zhang Penglong	Associate Professor PhD, Boston College	Globalization and International Trade, International Relations, Development, Economic Geography
4	Yin Chengzhi	Associate Professor PhD, Peking University PhD., University of Stuttgart, Germany	Urban and Regional Planning, Urban and Rural Public Governance
5	Wang Youqiang	Professor Ph.D., University of Maryland, Ph.D., Ohio University, U.S.	Public Economics, Public Governance Leadership
6	Wang Qingxin	Professor PhD, State University of New York, USA	East Asian Politics and international Relations, Political Philosophy, Confucian Political Thought
7	Lan Zhiyong	Professor PhD, Syracuse University, USA	Public Administration, Organizational Learning and Innovation, Information Technology Policy, Urban Governance, Government and Business



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8	Guo Xinning	Professor PhD, National Defense University	International Development, Industrial Economics and Policies, Resources and Environment, Economics and Finance
9	Gui Tianhan	Associate Professor PhD, University of Florida	Overseas Development Assistance, Development/Aid Project Evaluation, Gender
10	Gao Yuning	Associate Professor PhD, University of Cambridge	International Economics and International Development Research, Resource and Environmental Economic Policy Research
11	Chen Jidong	Associate Professor PhD, Princeton University	Institution and Governance, Applied Game Theory, Chinese Politics and Economy, Experimental Social Sciences
12	Zhang Fang	Associate Professor Ph.D., Tsinghua University, China Ph.D., Tufts University, USA	Technological Innovation and Technology Transfer, Energy and Climate Policies, Global Governance
13	Yu An	Professor Ph.D., Peking University, China Director, Institute of Government Management and Innovation	Administrative law, WTO legal issues, and government procurement
14	Qian Meijun	Professor Ph.D., Boston College, USA	Compare Financial Systems, Economic Development, Financial Institution Risk and Regulation

1.3.3 Teaching Methods

The program introduces to the students the major concepts, theories and practices of public management. It will also help students access and understand the practices of Chinese public administration in the reform era. To achieve this purpose, instructors will



adopt various teaching methods, including lecturing, case discussion, group presentations and on-site visits. Students are expected to actively participate in the teaching process and contribute to the classroom discussion.

1.3.4 Graduation Thesis

Thesis Proposal

Prior to thesis preparation, students must determine a thesis topic after consulting with his/her advisor, and submit the Thesis Proposal Report and Schedule of Thesis Writing of Master's Candidates of Tsinghua University along with a hard copy of the proposal signed by the advisor to the Academic Office. In case the thesis proposal is not approved, the student must consult with his/her advisor and submit a revised proposal. According to the requirements for graduate innovative achievements, the advisor should conduct a comprehensive evaluation of students' topic selection, sign and give comments on the thesis proposal form. Student whose thesis proposal is concluded as "failed" should revise their proposal work within 1-3 months and resubmit thesis proposal the second time. Student whose second thesis proposal result is concluded as "failed" should revise their proposal work again within 1-3 months and resubmit thesis proposal the third time. In the third review. If students' thesis proposal still cannot pass, thesis work will be assessed as "not meet the requirements of program study". In this case, graduate student should apply for withdrawal, otherwise will be expelled from Tsinghua University.

After the thesis proposal has been approved, students will receive 1 credit for Literature Review and Thesis Proposal course. It is recommended that students spend no less than six months on thesis writing after the thesis proposal submission.

Thesis Preparation

Students in the program must prepare the thesis under the guidance of his/her advisor and in accordance with the basic requirements for MIDG Thesis. The thesis must be written in English. Students can refer to thesis formatting template provided by the Academic Office. In order to orally defend his/her degree thesis, the



student's thesis must meet the format requirement.

Mid-term Review on Thesis Work

MIDG students should complete the mid-term review of the thesis on time in accordance with the notice from the Academic Office. In principle, mid-term review should be conducted no later than 3 months before the application for thesis defense. After the advisor has reviewed and signed the student's thesis, the assessment team under the International Program Committee will organize a comprehensive review on the progress of thesis work, work attitude, energy investment and other aspects. Those who pass are allowed to continue the thesis work.

Thesis Defense

Students must satisfy all academic requirements of the academic plan and pass all the courses (no failed or incomplete course) in order to apply for oral defense of thesis.

Students defending in the spring semester must submit the final draft (hard copy) of the thesis signed by the advisor before the deadline informed by the Graduate School (thesis defense schedule varies based on academic announcement by the university each year). Tsinghua University Master's degree (graduation) approval material must be submitted with the final draft.

Students must fill out the Tsinghua University Master's Degree (Graduation) Approval Material forms, and sign The Authorization Statement on the use of dissertation and The Statement of Acknowledgements and Declaration prior to leaving school. The student may ask the Academic Office to print the final copies of his/her thesis (signed by the advisor) at the student's own cost.

Students cannot defend the thesis without the advisor's signature. Students who are approved for oral defense must attend the defense in person. The school holds two thesis defenses per year, generally in May and November. The Academic



Office will announce the specific time each semester.

Students themselves cover the color-printing fee. After the thesis defense finishes, students are also required to cooperate with Academic Office to submit thesis and complete forms. Students must satisfy all academic requirements of the academic plan and pass all the courses (no failed or incomplete course) in order to apply for oral defense of thesis.

1.3.5 Graduation and Degree Conferral

Degree to be conferred: Master of Public Administration.

Based on the quality of the thesis and the student's oral defense, the university will make decision to grant a degree, postpone the granting of a degree, or not grant a degree. In the event that the student does not pass the defense, the student will receive a Certificate of Completion. If the student has not met the requirements of the program, or failed the thesis defense, he/she will be granted a Certificate of Incompletion. A certificate from MOFCOM will also be issued upon graduation.

The university confers degrees in June and December of each academic year.

2. Admission

2.1 Qualification of Applicants

1. Non-Chinese nationals with academic or professional background in the fields of Government, NGO, Educational institution, Media, Business etc., and dedicated to work in public sectors.
2. Authenticated Bachelor's degree.
3. Under the age of 45 (Borne after Sep 1, 1981), and with more than 3 years' full-time work experience after obtaining bachelor's degree.
4. Good academic background and strong analytic ability. Preference will be given to



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in-service candidates who possess a relevant academic or professional background in the field related to the program.

5. Good physical and mental health, providing health certificate or physical examination form issued by local public hospitals to prove that have no diseases that violate Chinese laws and regulations prohibiting the entry and prohibition of long-term residency in China. (MOFCOM has the right to decline the applicants who have severe hypertension, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer and other serious chronic diseases, mental illness or infectious diseases that are likely to cause significant harm to public health, or in major surgery and acute diseases, seriously disabled or pregnant women to attend the program. Pregnancy during the period of study in China shall result in mandatory withdrawal from the program.)
6. High English proficiency (for nonnative English speakers: TOEFL 85/IELTS 6.5, or equivalent).
7. Strong potential for professional development in their chosen field and a commitment to promoting friendly exchanges and cooperation between their home country and China.
8. Students who are studying in China or have been admitted to other Chinese government scholarship programs are not allowed to apply.

2.2 Application Procedures

Tsinghua University's Application

Please complete the On-line Application by the Website of Tsinghua University (<http://yzbm.tsinghua.edu.cn/intlLogin>). Please upload all the required materials (listed below). When filling the online application, please choose Master of Public Administration in International Development and Governance program in the system, and specify the financial sponsor is MOFCOM. No application fee is required. After submitting the online application, print out the automatically generated Application Form for International Program, sign it and attach a 2-inch photo. Then submit the Form along with other required documents to the Chinese Embassy in your country. For detailed THU requirements, you can refer this website first: <https://yz.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/>



Only applicants recommended by the Embassy of the People's Republic of China will be considered for admission.

2.3 Required Application Materials

1. Passport bio page (**personal ordinary-type passport**). Applicant who holds personal ordinary-type passport and diplomatic visa in China should also provide the scanned copy of diplomatic visa page. For more details, please check <https://yz.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/>.
2. Three 2-inch photos. One photo should be pasted onto the application form.
3. Bachelor's degree certificate (original) and the authentication. The authentication should be issued by the educational authorities of the applicant's home country or by the educational authorities of the country where the degree-granting institution is located.
4. Academic transcript of your undergraduate study (original).
5. Resume in English, including personal background, study experience after high school and work experience.
6. Personal statement in English. The personal statement should be completed directly in the application system. Please indicate the motivation for applying the program, the advantages and accomplishment after fulfilling the program, the study plan and the career goal.
7. Two academic recommendation letters from scholars who hold the title of associate professor or higher, or senior professionals in a related academic field. Please follow the instructions on the online system for submission of online recommendation letters or upload the recommendation letters signed by references.
8. English language proficiency test results. For non-native English speakers or applicants whose instruction media of tertiary education is not English, evidence of English proficiency is required. TOEFL 85 or above; IELTS 6.5 or above.
9. Foreigner Physical Examination Form. The examination result must be obtained within 1 month prior to submitting the application materials. All applicants shall



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be in good physical conditions and carry no infectious diseases which may have a serious impact on public health or fall into any of the health situations prohibited by China's Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations.

10. Non-Criminal Record Report, within 6 months of application.

Note: All documents must be submitted to Tsinghua University's online application portal instead of mailing or emailing. The documents provided should be the original documents in Chinese or in English; otherwise notarized translations in Chinese or English are required.

2.4 Embassy Recommendation

Only after students have obtained the approval from their government ministries, can they apply for this program, and submit all the application materials to the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office, Embassy of the People's Republic of China. The ministries should clarify with the embassy about whether the applicant is willing to be considered for other university or other master program if MIDG program is already full.

If the ministries of students' home country permit individual student to submit materials directly to Embassy of the People's Republic of China in their own country, the students should acquire certificates or recommendation from the ministries and submit the documents to the Embassy.

2.5 Application Remarks

- Applicants are required to submit scanned images of all required documents at the time of application. **All uploaded documents should be in Chinese or in English; otherwise notarial translations in Chinese or English are required.** Once translated, the original documents and certified translations should be submitted together to the application system.
- Please scan the original or notarized application documents in color using a scanner. Images captured by mobile phone or camera are not



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acceptable. Scans of copies are also not acceptable.

- Applications with incomplete documents will not be processed. Applicants should take the initiative to understand the application procedures and application requirements before applying. The applicant will be responsible for any consequences arising from failure to complete the application process as required.
- The University has the right to require applicants to provide original/notarized copies of application materials or certification documents issued by a designated certification body for further inspection.
- As some countries' higher education systems are very different from the Chinese system, applicants from different education systems should refer to Tsinghua University's online application website for reference. Click here: <https://yz.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/info/1020/1098.htm>
- None of the above application documents will be returned.
- If the higher-level department of China issues a new policy, the University will make corresponding adjustments.
- Applicants must ensure that the application information, application materials, degree certificate and degree authentication provided are true and accurate. If the admissions unit or certification department verifies that anything in the application is not true, the application, admission or study qualification will be cancelled.
- Applicants who are found to be in breach of academic ethics, professional ethics, honesty and trustworthiness, etc., will not be admitted or admission/study qualification will be cancelled after this breach has been verified.
- The relevant information, documents and messages that the THU Graduate Admissions Office and relevant departments/schools publish or send to applicants through websites, phone calls, emails, text messages, etc. are deemed to have been delivered. All consequences caused by the applicant's personal negligence and other reasons shall be borne



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by the applicant himself/herself.

- Chinese government will not explain the application result, no matter the applicants are accepted or not.
- No accommodation fee for family members' visits.
- Chinese visa application procedure and other information will be specified at the admission letter.

For other details regarding the application requirements, please refer to the “ Admission to Graduate Programs of Tsinghua University 2026 (For International Students)”: <https://yz.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/info/1035/1523.htm>

2.6 Important Dates

Event	Date
Deadline of Application	June 6, 2026
Admission Notice and Visa Application Form (JW) Issued	August, 2026
Registration	August, 2026
1 st Semester	September, 2026-January, 2027
2 nd Semester	February, 2026-June 2027
3 rd Semester	September, 2026-January, 2028
4 th Semester	February, 2027-June, 2028
Return to Home Country	July, 2028

Note: Registration time is to be confirmed on the Admission Notice. The dates may subject to change according to the university calendar

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MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program 2026 Enrollment Guide

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MOFCOM SCHOLARSHIP-CSC Program (2026 Enrollment Guide)

Part one: Program Introduction

I Brief Introduction

Academic Education Programs sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China is designed to foster high-end business officials and managerial personnel for the recipient countries, offering master programs and doctoral programs for the purpose of educating high-end and inter-disciplinary talent working in the applied fields of government, trade, foreign affairs, agriculture, technology, education, culture and health, building intellectual capacity and facilitating the economic and social development of the recipient countries. These programs provide assistance to governmental officials, research fellows, and senior managerial personnel on their master and doctor education in China, which are fully conducted in English. Admission requirements include a bachelor's degree or master degree, relevant working experiences, and decent physical conditions, essential for the high-compact curriculum needed for the degrees. The programs are playing a more and more important role in stimulating economic cooperation between China and students' home countries, which the host governments are attaching great attention to this program.

MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program is set up by Ministry of Commerce of People's Republic of China to further strengthen the communication and cooperation between China and other countries as well as to develop talents for developing countries. Starting from 2015, MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program mainly sponsors the young and the middle-aged talents from recipient countries to pursue their postgraduate degree education in China. China Scholarship Council is entrusted to administer the Scholarship.

II Supporting categories

MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program supports Master program and PhD program.

III Educational purpose

To cultivate high-level, versatile and application-oriented talents in the fields of politics, economy and trade, diplomacy, agriculture, science, education, culture and health, energy and transportation, and public administration.

IV Enrollment Plan

Designated universities and majors of this program is included in the attachment. Length of scholarship will be settled when admission is completed, which accords to the enrolled length of schooling, which shall be 2 or 3 years for Master Recipients and 3 or 4 year for PHD Recipients. Scholarship recipients must register for English-taught program.

V Scholarship Coverage

1. Students are exempt from tuition fee, teaching material fee, research and survey fee, allowance of English-taught program, dissertation guidance fee;

2. Free on-campus accommodation;
3. Monthly stipend:
36000RMB per year per master student,
42000RMB per year per PhD student;
※ Stipends will be distributed to the students by the universities on a monthly basis according to the students' actual time spent in China.
4. One-off resettlement fee: 3000RMB per person;
5. Free medical insurance for international students;
6. One-time round-trip international airfare for all the students (First time fly to China after enrollment, and Fly back to home country while graduation), and a maximum of “n-1” (“n” is for the length of schooling year which is set while the student was enrolled by the program) round-trip international airfares for home visits (one time per year set at the end of an academic year);
7. The annual review is compulsory for all students. Those who pass the review may continue to enjoy full scholarships in the next year.
8. Other expenses shall be managed and used by the Ministry of Commerce or the universities as a whole, and shall not be distributed to students. The Ministry of Commerce only provides students with financial support within their enrolled length of schooling. Students who postpone their graduation will not receive the continuing sponsorship.

Part Two: How to Apply

I Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a citizen of a developing country other than the People’s Republic of China, and under the age of 45 (born after September 1, 1981);
- be healthy physically and mentally with a physical examination report issued by a local public hospital, and not having any disease or situation listed below:
 - a) Diseases prohibited by Chinese Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Laws and Regulations
 - b) Other severe chronic diseases like high blood pressure, cardio-cerebrovascular disease, diabetes; psychological diseases; or other infectious diseases which may harm public health
 - c) In recovery period after major surgery or acute disease attacks
 - d) Severe physically challenged
 - e) Pregnancy (Students who become pregnant while studying in China will be expelled)
- with at least three years’ working experience, and be a bachelor’s degree holder when applying for master’s program; be a master’s degree holder when applying for doctoral program;
- be incumbents with a relevant educational background or working experience to the applied program are preferred;

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- be public officials of division level and above (or corresponding level) in government sectors, or senior management staff of organizations and enterprises, or academic backbones of universities and research institutions;
- be sufficient in English which meets the academic requirements of the program, be equivalent to IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL 80 and above level;
- be with the potential of professional development, and is committed to promoting the friendly exchanges and cooperation between the host country and China;
- be neither studying in China nor being admitted to other scholarship programs provided by Chinese government.

II Application Procedures

The Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office (ECCO) of the Chinese Embassy in your country will be open for application **until 6th June 2026.**

Application Online and Documents List

1. Application Form for MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program;
Ensure you have both submitted it online (visit www.campuschina.org, click "Scholarship Application for Students") and printed the hard copy. For more application instructions, please check Attachment I;
2. Photocopy of highest diploma;
3. Photocopy of academic transcripts;
4. A Study Plan or Research Proposal, plus a resume including the educational background and working experience after high school;
5. Two recommendation letters, including one from current employer and one from academic perspective;
6. Photocopy of the Foreigner Physical Examination Form;
7. Photocopy of the English proficiency certificate;
8. Photocopy of a valid passport;
9. Non-criminal Record Report. The applicant shall submit a valid certificate of Non-Criminal Record issued by the local public security authority, usually issued within 6 months prior to the submission date of the application.

Submission Offline

1. The applicants shall obtain the approval and recommendation from the relevant department of host country before applying for this scholarship. Afterwards, the applicants could submit application according to the requirements of above department.
2. For the applicants whose host government allows them to submit the application directly to the Embassy of China, please obtain the permission or recommendation letter from the host government which states that the applicant has been approved to study in China, and submit the original documents of the letter and other above mentioned application documents to the ECCO of Chinese Embassy in the host country. The scanned electronic edition of the documents is needed as well. For

emails and addresses of the Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Offices, please visit <http://www.mofcom.gov.cn/>.

2. The responsible department of the host government shall submit a written request to the ECCO of Chinese Embassy for an official recommendation letter and clearly state:

- a) Whether the applicant is willing to be considered for a similar program at other universities if the applied programs could not accept the applicant.
- b) Other special requests if any.

Reminders:

- a) All the documents to be submitted should be in Chinese or English. Otherwise, a notarized copy in Chinese or English is required.
- b) An original copy of degrees, transcripts, Foreigner Physical Examination Form and language certificates must be presented for on-site verification.
- c) Applicants will get back all the hard-copy materials, both original copies and photocopies from the ECCO of Chinese Embassy. If admitted, students must take the documents to China and submit them to the university for verification and archive.
- d) Bringing spouse or other dependent for accompanying is not allowed during the students' study in China. The scholarship will not provide any related cost;
- e) No explanation will be given on the enrollment result.
- f) Applications without the recommendation from the ECCO of Chinese Embassy will not be considered.

Part Three: Placement

Each applicant can choose maximally three preferred universities out of the 26 designated universities. CSC will place each applicant in one university only on the basis of their choices and universities' requirements.

Part Four: Admission & Registration

Scholarship winners will receive the admission package from ECCO of the Chinese Embassy after the enrollment result is confirmed, and must register at the host university before the deadline which is usually September, 2026. Regarding the registration and course arrangement for enrolled candidates, please keep in touch with the host universities and closely follow their relevant notices.

Attachment 1.

Instructions of the CSC Online Application System for MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC program

Please carefully read the instructions before applying for the scholarship.

Step 1: Visit “CSC Study in China” website and click “Scholarship Application for Students” at <http://www.campuschina.org>

Register an account through [CREATE AN ACCOUNT] and login with your account.

Step 2: Input Personal Details. Click “Edit Personal Details” and finish inputting personal details by filling in all the information, verifying and saving the information. After the completion of this section, return to the previous page by clicking “Finish” and start filling in your application information.

Step 3: Select the correct “Program Category”.

Please select Program Category “Type A”. **(Only for applicants of MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program)**

Step 4: Input the correct Agency Number.

Your Agency Number is: 00010. **(Only for applicants of MOFCOM Scholarship-CSC Program)**

Program Category and **Agency Number** are directly matched, both are mandatory for online application. Scholarship receiving authorities (or application processing authorities) will inform the program category and agency number to candidates who are qualified for applying.

After inputting agency number, the matched agency name will automatically show on the page. As **Program Category** and **Agency Number** are directly matched, application processing authorities will not receive your online application if the program category or agency number are not correct.

Step 5: Input Application Information

Next, please move on to the section of “Language Proficiency and Study Plan” and upload “Supporting Documents” as requested, then click “Submit” to complete the application. Check each part of your application carefully before submission. Please make sure that all the information and uploaded documents are valid and accurate.

When applicants of “Type A” application choose the “Preferences of Institutes”, system will automatically match the available universities according to the selected

“Student Category, Preferred teaching language”. With any inquiry concerning the available majors of each university, please visit the following website.
<http://www.campuschina.org/universities/index.html>

“Catalog of Discipline Field, First-level Discipline, Specialty” is available from the “Help”, applicants could download the file to identify the relation between Discipline and Major.

Step 6: Once submitted, amendment cannot be made on “Personal Details” and “Application Information”. Before the application being processed by the processing authorities, applicant can revoke the submitted application by clicking “Withdraw” and edit the application. After revoking the application, applicant must submit at second time after re-editing, or the application will not be processed. Once the application is processed, application cannot be revoked.

Step 7: Click “Print the Application Form” and download the form.

Step 8: Submit scholarship application under the requirements of the dispatching authorities (or application processing agency)

China Scholarship Council never entrust any individual or intermediary agent to process Chinese government scholarship applications. Kindly remind that all applicants to directly submit your scholarship applications through official dispatching authorities, avoiding being deceived. The website below is the only official website that China Scholarship Council publishing Study in China information, please do not trust information from any other portals or sources.

<http://www.campuschina.org/>

Notes:

Application with incorrect **Agency Number** will not be processed.

Please use Firefox or Internet Explorer (11.0).

For applicants using Internet Explorer, please close the “compatible view mode” function ahead of editing.

Please fill in all application information in Chinese or English.

Attachment 2.

The 26 Designated Universities

1	Peking University	14	East China Normal University
2	Tsinghua University	15	Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
3	Renmin University of China	16	Nanjing University
4	Beijing Normal University	17	Zhejiang University
5	Beijing Jiaotong University	18	Xiamen University
6	University of International Business and Economics	19	Shandong University
7	Beihang University	20	Wuhan University
8	Nankai University	21	Huazhong University of Science and Technology
9	Tianjin University	22	Wuhan University of Technology
10	Jilin University	23	Sun Yat-sen University
11	Fudan University	24	Southwest Jiaotong University
12	Shanghai Jiaotong University	25	Xi'an Jiaotong University
13	Tongji University	26	Harbin Institute of Technology