



Application Guide for 2024 SJTU

International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship

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To meet the growing international demand for Chinese language teachers, facilitate Chinese language education around the world, and support the professional development of Chinese language teachers, the Center for Language Education and Cooperation (CLEC) has established the International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship (hereinafter referred to as the Scholarship) for eligible Chinese language teachers outside of China. Confucius Institutes, independent Confucius Classrooms, selected HSK test centers, foreign educational institutions, Chinese language teacher training programs/Chinese departments at foreign universities, professional associations for Chinese language teaching, Chinese embassies (consulates) abroad (hereinafter collectively referred to as Recommending Institutions) may recommend outstanding students and in-service Chinese language teachers to further their studies in international Chinese language education and related programs at Chinese universities.

Acting as one of the host institutions of the scholarship recipients, SJTU warmly welcome foreign applicants to join the Chinese language and culture programs at SJTU. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) is one of the famous institutions of higher learning with the longest history and reputation at home and abroad. After 128 years of unremitting efforts, Shanghai Jiao Tong University has become a domestic first-class and internationally renowned university, and further defined the vision on constructing a “comprehensive, innovative and international” world-class university. Details of the scholarship application are provided below.

1. ELIGIBILITY

- a) Be a non-Chinese citizen;
- b) Be friendly to China, have no criminal record, abide by the laws and regulations of China and the rules and regulations of the university;
- c) Be in good physical and mental health, be in good academic and behavioral standing;
- d) Be interested in Chinese language education and related work; and
- e) Be aged between 16 and 35 years on September 1, 2024. The maximum age limit for in-service Chinese teachers may be extended to 45, but those who apply for a scholarship for a Bachelor's degree shall be younger than 25 under most circumstances.

2. SCHOLARSHIP TYPES AND QUALIFICATIONS

2.1 Scholarship for Master's Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of



Other Languages (MTCSOL)

The program commences in September 2024 and provides scholarship for a maximum of two academic years. Applicants shall hold a Bachelor degree, and have a minimum score of 180 on the HSK Test (Level 6) as well as 60 on the HSKK test (Advanced Level). Priority will be given to applicants who may provide a work contract with a teaching institution upon completing their studies in China or a proof to the same effect.

2.2 Scholarship for Bachelor's Degree in Chinese (International Chinese Language Education)

The program commences in September 2024 and provides scholarship for a maximum of four academic years. Applicants shall hold a senior high school diploma and a minimum score of 200 on the HSK Test (Level 5) as well as 60 on the HSKK test (Intermediate Level). At the same time, applicants shall also meet the requirement mentioned at 5.6 of this document.

2.3 Scholarship for One-Academic-Year Study Program (Chinese Language Study)

The program commences in September 2024 and provides scholarship for a maximum of 11 months. Applicants shall have a minimum score of 210 on the HSK test (Level 3), and priority will be given to applicants who provide an HSKK test score.

2.4 Scholarship for One-Semester Study Program (Chinese Language and Literature)

The program commences in September 2024 or March 2025, and provides scholarship for a maximum of 5 months. Applicants shall have a minimum score of 180 on the HSK Test (Level 3), and an HSKK test score is required.

3. SCHOLARSHIP COVERAGE, CRITERIA AND APPRAISAL

3.1 The Scholarship supports tuition, accommodation, living allowance and comprehensive medical insurance.

3.2 Accommodation allowance for students of Bachelor's Degree program, One Semester program and One-Academic-Year program is 1000 CNY per person/month (inclusive of 700 CNY sponsored by CLEC); while the accommodation allowance for students of MTCSOL is 1200 CNY per person/month (inclusive of 700 CNY sponsored by CLEC). Students could choose to live on campus or off campus. Due to the limited number of university dormitories, students who prefer to live on campus are required to book dormitory online in advance and follow the booking procedures to pay the accommodation fees according to the type and charge standard of the dormitory.

3.3 Living allowance is granted by SJTU on a monthly basis. The monthly living allowance for students of Bachelor's Degree program, one-academic-year



program and one-semester program is 2,500 CNY per person; while the monthly living allowance for students of MTCSOL is 3,000 CNY per person. Students must register every semester. Students registered before the 15th (inclusive) of the month are entitled to the full allowance of that month, while those who are registered after the 15th are entitled to half of the amount. If a student leaves China for more than 15 days for personal reasons during the study period (excluding summer and winter vacations), the living allowance during the period of absence from China will be suspended. If a student is suspended or withdrawn from school for personal reasons or is subject to disciplinary action by SJTU, the living allowance from the date of suspension, withdrawal, or notification of disciplinary action will be suspended. The living allowance for graduating students is paid until half a month after the graduation (or program completion) date set by SJTU.

3.4 **Comprehensive medical insurance** is implemented in accordance with relevant regulations of studying in China stipulated by the Ministry of Education of China. Insurance fee per person is 400 CNY for one-semester program students, and 800 CNY per year for students engaged in program longer than one academic year.

3.5 **Degree students are subject to the annual assessment.** Only those who achieve Excellent in academic performance and Chinese language proficiency are entitled to a full scholarship in the following academic year; those who achieve Good are entitled to partial scholarships; In any other cases, the scholarship will be suspended. Partial scholarships consist of tuition fee, accommodation fee and comprehensive medical insurance.

4. APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCEDURES

4.1 Online registration will be available from March 1, 2024, on the International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship application website (cis.chinese.cn). Please log on to search for recommending institutions and Shanghai Jiao Tong University; upload application materials online; and track the application progress, comments and results. (Students who apply for MTCSOL should make a second application at Study@SJTU website: <http://isc.sjtu.edu.cn/> together with the *International Chinese Teachers Scholarship Application Form* as a proof for the required registration payment; and students who apply for One-Academic-Year\one semester study programs should also complete the SJTU Abroad Students Nomination process upon receipt of the SJTU nomination links).

*Note:

Applicants who apply to study at SJTU should choose SJTU as their first choice of host institution. And the application deadlines are

- a) May 15, 2024, for programs starting in September 2024;
- b) October 31, 2024, for programs starting in March 2025;

The CLEC will entrust an expert panel to review the applications.



Decisions will be made based on HSK and HSKK scores and levels, and in consideration of country distribution as well as other factors. The results will be published about three months before school starts.

- 4.2 In-service Chinese language teachers need to provide proof of employment and a letter of recommendation from the employer; priority will be given to them under equal conditions.
- 4.3 Applicants who have received the International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship Certificate during Chinese Bridge competitions may submit their application documents along with their scholarship certificates to the Host Institutions directly at the International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship website. For any further inquiries, please contact chinesebridge@chinese.cn.
- 4.4 After confirming with the scholarship recipients, SJTU will send out the *Letter of Admission, Visa Application Form for Foreigners to Study in China (JW202 Form)*, and other relevant documents to the personal e-mail address of the scholarship recipients within 15 working days. Scholarship recipients shall register at SJTU on the designated date as per the letter of admission..

5. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

- 5.1 A scanned copy of passport photo page. Applicants under the age of 18 must submit a letter of attestation signed by the legal guardian in China;
- 5.2 A scanned copy of score reports of the HSK and HSKK tests (within the two-year validity);
- 5.3 A recommendation letter signed by the head of the recommending institution (with an objective evaluation of applicant and indicating whether or not a Confucius Institute student; in-service Chinese language teachers shall provide proof of employment and a reference letter from the employer);
- 5.4 Applicants for degree programs are required to provide a certificate of the highest diploma (or proof of expected graduation) and an official transcript;
- 5.5 Applicants for MTCSOL are required to provide 2 reference letters from professors or associate professors. Priority will be given to applicants who may provide an employment contract with a teaching institution upon completing their studies in China.
- 5.6 Applicants for Bachelor's Degree in Chinese (International Chinese Language Education) shall also obtain the pre admission to SJTU. (For details please contact +86-21-54743244, isc.d@sjtu.edu.cn)

If the materials are not in Chinese or English, notarized supporting documents must be provided.

Applicants shall submit other additional documents at the request of SJTU.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1 In principle, applicants who have received a similar scholarship within three



years are not eligible for the One-Semester Study Program or One-Year Study Program.

- 6.2 Incomplete or inadequate applications will not be processed.
- 6.3 Application shall be terminated if the related materials are found to be fraudulent or filled and submitted by someone other than the applicant.
- 6.4 Students who cannot register in SJTU on the scheduled time should write to SJTU stating the fact and reasons 15 days prior to the admission date. Those who fail to register without a valid cause shall have their scholarship revoked.
- 6.5 Students who fail to pass the pre-enrollment medical examination, withdraw from school before completing the program, fail to register at the university without prior permission, or suspend their studies will be disqualified for the scholarship.
- 6.6 Degree students are subject to the annual assessment according to the *Annual Appraisal Procedures of International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship*.

7. CONTACT INFORMATION

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8. RELATED WEBSITES

International Chinese Language Teachers Scholarship Website:

<http://cis.chinese.cn>

HSK and HSKK Website: <http://www.chinesetest.cn>