UC Davis – China Scholarship Council (CSC)
Ph.D. Fellowship

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China Scholarship Council (CSC)

Background:
• Non-profit organization affiliated with the Ministry of Education of China
• Provide funding for Chinese citizens to study abroad, and for foreign students and scholars to study in China

Sources of funding:
• Funds from the National Scholarship Program
• Donations from individuals, corporations, social organizations, and other organizations

Responsibilities:
• Implement the work plan and guidelines established by the CSC Committee
• Review applications, approve grants, and manage all other administrative affairs
• Provide consulting services
• Oversee use of funds and status of established programs
Types of Scholarship Offered by CSC

- State Sponsored Study Abroad Program
- Chinese Government Scholarship Program
- International Cooperation and Exchanges
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  - Visiting Scholarships: 3 months/ 6 months/ 1 year
  - Undergraduate Student Scholarship: 1 year
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CSC – UC Davis Agreement

• In May 2012 Provost Ralph Hexter and Liu Jinghui, Secretary General of CSC, signed a Memorandum of Understanding to offer Joint Ph.D. fellowships to students from China.
• Joint Training Ph.D. Scholarship
• CSC-UC Davis Ph.D. Fellowship
Joint Training Ph.D. Scholarship

Up to 20 applicants per year

Up to 2 years

Subject to faculty’s availability

Procedure:
• Contact faculty
• Faculty/Dept. can host
• Invitation letter
• Recommendation (both home university and GA at UC Davis)
• Students apply to CSC
• SISS at GA
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- CSC covers first two years: non-residence tuition, living stipend including health insurance, visa application fees, and flight tickets

- UC Davis (departments, programs, or faculty’s grand) covers the remaining two to three years
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Programs into which students have been accepted in the past:

- Agricultural and Resource Economics
- Animal Biology
- Biochemistry, Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology
- Biological Systems Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Economics
- Entomology
- Food Science
- Horticulture and Agronomy
- Plant Pathology
- Plant Biology
- Soils and Biogeochemistry
- Viticulture and Ecology
Eligibility

• Candidates must meet the UC Davis admission requirements for Ph.D. research programs, including GPA, GRE, and English language requirements.

• Candidates must satisfy the selection criteria as determined by CSC
  • Mainland Chinese students (no restrictions on where the home institution is)
  • Senior undergraduate students
  • Master’s students
  • 1st Ph.D. candidate
  • Recent graduates
Process for 2020-2021 Academic Year

• The student will apply to UC Davis through the online application system. At this point, they should contact a faculty member as their potential program supervisor and indicate their intention to apply through the CSC Fellowship.

• The faculty and other personnel in the graduate program will review the application and decide whether or not to make an offer.

• If an offer is made, the graduate program staff will make a recommendation for admission to Graduate Studies, and notify Global Affairs (lxliang@ucdavis.edu) of their intention to nominate the applicant to CSC.

• Graduate Studies will provide an official offer letter.
Process for 2020-2021 Academic Year (cont.)

• Global Affairs will provide the list of nominees to CSC by the deadline (March 20, 2020) and notifies Graduate Studies.
  
  • (Please be aware that the student will also need to be recommended by their home university)
  • (If the student is currently study at UC Davis, Chinese Consulate in SF will make the recommendation)

• Students who have been nominated must apply to CSC by April 5th (?),

• Students work with their faculty supervisor on making a study plan for his/her application to CSC
• CSC will review applications from mid-April
  • If needed, Global Affairs will guide the student and the faculty member through the application process with CSC.
• Global Affairs will receive the list of awardees in late May and inform Graduate Studies and the faculty.
Thank you!

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