



CHINESE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PNG STUDENTS TO STUDY IN CHINA

NOTICE FOR 2026/2027

In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Higher Educational Cooperation between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea, the Chinese Government provides scholarships for Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral Programs for eligible PNG candidates to study in China for the academic year 2026/2027.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants for Master's programs or Doctoral programs must be:

- PNG Citizen and in good health
- Under the age of 35 for Master's programs, under the age of 40 for Doctoral programs
- With a Bachelor's Degree or higher
- Release letter from the employer if employed

Applicants for Bachelor's programs must be:

- PNG Citizen and in good health
- Under the age of 25
- With a Grade 12 Higher School Certificate with good academic performance of 2.5 GPA or above.
- Grade 12 certificate should not be earlier than 2019
- With a valid Score Report of "China Scholastic Competency Assessment (CSCA)". Details on CSCA are below.

CSCA EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT

- Applicants seeking to pursue a Bachelor's degree must register for and take the "China Scholastic Competency Assessment (CSCA)" before the application deadline, and obtain a valid Score Report.
- Applicants intending to enroll in September 2026 are required to register for and take the CSCA on December 21, 2025 or January 25, 2026.
- Applicants should contact their target institution to confirm and obtain the required test subjects for the applied major.
- For CSCA introduction and registration, please visit www.cscacn.com.

MAIN REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants are required to submit **CERTIFIED Photocopies of relevant mandatory application documents listed below:**

- Printed Online Application Form for Chinese Government Scholarship after online application,
- Copy of Passport Bio Page: Applicant shall submit a clear scanned copy of his/her ordinary passport with validity later than August 15, 2027,
- Notarized Upper Secondary School Certificates (Grade 12) with transcripts (for Bachelor's programs), notarized Bachelor's Degree Certificate with transcripts (for Master's programs), notarized Master's Degree Certificate with transcripts (for Doctoral programs),
- Pre-Admission Documents: All applicants need to provide a pre-admission document issued by the universities applied to. Pre-admission documents include pre-admission notice issued by the international students admission department or invitation letter from the schools or professors,
- A Study Plan or Research Proposal in Chinese or English (A minimum of 200 words for undergraduates, 800 words for postgraduates),
- Applicants for Master's or Doctoral programs must submit two letters of recommendation in Chinese or English from professors or associate professors,
- A photocopy of the Foreigner Physical Examination Form completed in English and from a recognized clinic. (The physical examinations should cover all the items listed in the Foreigner Physical Examination Form. Incomplete records or those without the signature of the attending physician, the official stamp of the hospital or a sealed photograph of the applicants are invalid. Please select the appropriate time to take physical examination as the result is valid for only 6 months),
- Non-criminal record report (Police Clearance) issued within 6 months prior to the submission date of the application,
- Language qualification certificates. Applicants for master's, doctoral programs taught in Chinese must submit a valid HSK score report that meets the corresponding Chinese language proficiency requirements. Applicants for programs taught in other languages are required to provide relevant language proficiency certificates, such as IELTS or TOEFL score reports, in accordance with the requirements of each university,
- Applicants under the age of 18 should submit the valid documents of

their legal guardians in China,

- A Character Reference Letter from a Parish Priest/Pastor/Church Elder (with valid contact number),
- Birth Certificate, NID card, Driver's License.

Full Application must be submitted in order of preference listed above.

Priority field of study advised by PNG Government:

The Priority areas of study include: sciences, technology, agriculture, medicine, economics, management, education, history, liberal arts and philosophy. (DHERST advises that do not apply for a program not listed above).



SPECIFIC INSTRUCTION TO APPLY ONLINE:

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. The 'Program Category' is: **Type A** and the 'Agency Number' is: **5981**.

For more information on universities and the programs, visit: <http://www.campuschina.org/universities/index.html>. You can also visit the DHERST website; www.dherst.gov.pg to download the Foreigner Physical Examination Form and Instructions of the Chinese Scholarship Online Application Information System to guide you.

Completed Online Application Forms must be downloaded and printed out a copy including all required documents listed above be sent to:

**Department of Higher Education, Research Science & Technology,
PO Box 5117,
BOROKO, NCD.**

**Attention: Mr. Reinhard Daniel Apisal - Research & Liaison
Officer STC | Overseas Scholarship**

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The applications should reach the office no later than **Wednesday, 28th January, 2026.**

ALL APPLICANTS MUST APPLY ONLINE AND SUBMIT TWO HARDCOPIES OF APPLICATION FORM. FAILURE TO APPLY ONLINE WILL AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFY YOUR APPLICATION. FAXED AND EMAILED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT POINTS

Applicants are advised to take heed of the following points before submitting your applications:

1. The Bachelor's program is a **FULL CHINESE LANGUAGE** study program;
2. The scholarship package for 2026 does **NOT** include domestic and international travel expenses (going and returning tickets);
3. Please contact the university you are applying to get a pre-admission notice prior to submitting your online application;
4. DHERST advises that do not apply for programs that are not specified under the priority areas;
5. DHERST will only assist (if necessary) applicants who apply through Category A.
6. Check your email frequently for updates, the university will contact you via email.
7. If you do not receive any response from DHERST or the Chinese Embassy in PNG after the 20th of April, 2026 then please consider your application as being unsuccessful.



CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the following telephone numbers: 3012006 or email: chinese@dherst.gov.pg/scholarships@dherst.gov.pg or visit the website: www.dherst.gov.pg

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