



Tentative Regulations on Application of Shanghai Government Scholarships for International Students

In effort to further promote the development of Shanghai international students education, support and encourage more academically excellent international students and scholars to study in Shanghai, Shanghai government has decided to inaugurate the Shanghai Government Scholarships for International Students (hereinafter referred to as SGS). The SGS are mainly used to fund international students and scholars of academic excellence who share interest in receiving a degree education in higher educational institutions (hereinafter referred to as HEIs) in Shanghai. The application eligibility categories, process, operating procedures, registration, assessment and inspection of the SGS are listed as follows:

I. Eligibility and Categories

A) Eligibility

1. Applicants should be non-Chinese citizens and be in good health;
2. Applicants should comply with laws and regulations of the Chinese government and rules and disciplines of the host HEIs;
3. Applicants should have upright learning attitude and good academic performance;
4. Applicants should not be awardees of other Chinese Government scholarships at the same time.

B) Categories

SGS are divided into three categories, namely, class A, class B and class C. Shanghai Municipal Education Commission will grant SGS, based on standards, to the relevant HEIs that accept international students. The standards of SGS per academic year is as follows: Class A Scholarship is RMB 40,000; Class B Scholarship is RMB 20,000; Class C Scholarship ranges from RMB 4,000 to RMB 8,000; if actual amount of Class A Scholarship and Class B Scholarship distributed by host HEIs exceed the standards, the excess shall be funded by host HEIs.

1. Class A (Full Scholarship)

Class A scholarship provides monetary aid for academically excellent international students for graduate programs in Shanghai. In reference to the current standards of Full Scholarships of Chinese Government Scholarships implemented by Chinese Ministry of Education, Shanghai provides the Class A scholarship recipients with: exemption from registration fees, tuition fees, basic learning materials fees and accommodation fees; insurance against major illnesses and accidents; monthly living allowance of RMB 1,700 for master candidates and RMB 2,000 for doctoral candidates. For application details, please refer to Annex 1.

2. Class B (Partial Scholarship)

Class B scholarship provides monetary aid for academically excellent international students for degree education in Shanghai. Class B scholarship recipients are exempt from registration fees, tuition fees and basic learning materials fees. For application details, please refer to Annex 2.

3. Class C (Scholarship for Excellent Students)

Class C Scholarship honors academically excellent international students who are attending long-term programs in HEIs in Shanghai. Class C scholarship recipients will receive a one-off bursary in an academic year. For application details, please refer to Annex 3.

In light of future development and changes, Shanghai can adjust the categories of the SGS and the

standards of awards accordingly.

II. SGS Application

A) Acceptance Timeline

Relevant HEIs in Shanghai begin to accept applications for Class A and Class B Scholarships every January. The application time for Class C Scholarship starts in December every year. However, host HEIs determine the specific application period of their own.

International students apply to prospective HEIs according to the application eligibility of the SGS mentioned above once every academic year. Qualified students can apply for the SGS continuously.

B) Application Materials

Applicants should fill out the SGS application forms honestly in accordance with the provisions of class A, class B, class C scholarships and submit the Shanghai Government Scholarship for International Students Application Form (see attached form) within the application timeline.

Applicants also need to submit a copy of notarized certification of the highest educational level achieved and a copy of academic record, a study plan, health certification, recommendation letters, and other related application materials. All application materials submitted by the applicants will not be returned.

C) Application Approach

Applicants should apply to prospective or enrolled HEIs which accept SGS applications in written form. After receiving written applications, host HEIs shall accept them promptly in accordance with respective admission standards and qualifications of corresponding scholarship category.

D) HEIs and Specialties Which Accept SGS Application

All the full-time HEIs in Shanghai and their specialties that accept international students certified by China Scholarship Council can accept applications for SGS. For details, please refer to Guide for Study in Shanghai and the Study in Shanghai webpage on Shanghai Municipal Education Commission website (URL: <http://www.study-shanghai.org>) and the Study in China website of China Scholarship Council (URL: <http://www.csc.edu.cn>).

III. Operating Procedures

A) Funds Issuance. Shanghai Municipal Education Commission shall issue the funds of scholarships for international students to host HEIs in December each year according to a combination of factors such as the number of international students in the HEIs that accept applications for SGS, the proportion and development of degree students and so forth.

B) Planning and Filing. All the relevant HEIs shall formulate scholarship recruiting plans according to the funds issued by Shanghai Municipal Education Commission; submit them for filing and accept SGS applications after receiving approval from Shanghai Municipal Education Commission.

C) Materials Audit. All the relevant HEIs are responsible for accepting SGS application materials of international students according to the formulated scholarship recruiting plans. If the applicant

does not meet SGS eligibility of the relevant provisions, or if the application materials are incomplete, it will be considered an invalid application and will not be accepted. Qualified application materials will enter into the review process.

D) Review. All the relevant HEIs should set up SGS review committees with principle. Review results should be discussed and proposed by the review committee fairly and impartially, then submitted to the personnel in charge for approval in host HEIs.

E) Admission Notification. All the relevant HEIs shall notify SGS applicants the review results timely in written form. Scholarship recipients shall be awarded the Letter of Admission and Notification of Scholarship by host HEIs. SGS recipients shall register promptly in corresponding HEIs and specialties stated in the Letter of Admission without change. Any changes will otherwise be considered a forfeit.

F) Filing. All the relevant HEIs shall submit the name list of SGS recipients and copies of application materials to Shanghai Municipal Education Commission for filing within one month after completion of the admission process.

G) Miscellaneous. SGS recipients of Class A or Class B scholarships should participate in the scholarship annual assessment. All the relevant HEIs in Shanghai will perform a comprehensive review of SGS recipients' academic records, learning attitude, attendance, behaviors, rewards or punishment, and submit it to the International Cooperation and Exchanges Division of Shanghai Municipal Education Commission for filing. Students who pass the review can reapply for scholarships the following academic year. Students who fail the review will lose the eligibility for scholarship reapplication.

IV. China Visas and Enrollment Registration Procedures

A) Visa Application

SGS recipients of Class A or Class B scholarships coming to study in Shanghai must go to the Chinese Embassy or Consulates General in their countries to apply for the Visa for Study in China. Materials required include: both the original and a photocopy of the Letter of Admission, Notification of Scholarship, Visa Application for Study in China (JW202 Form), Physical Examination Record for Foreigners, and passport. Anyone who intend on studying in China for more than six months must apply for the X visa.

B) Reporting and Registration

SGS recipients shall report to host HEIs and register on the date stated in the Letter of Admission. Anyone who fails to register in time should take a leave of absence from host HEIs directly. Failing to report in time without approval from host HEIs shall be considered voluntarily forfeiting acceptance and the obtained eligibility of SGS will also be cancelled automatically.

C) Health Certification and Residence Registration

Health Certification: SGS recipients who intend on studying in China for more than six months must go to the Health and Quarantine Department for health certification with the Letter of Admission, Physical Examination Record for Foreigners and other materials within a week upon arrival in China. Those who have an unqualified Physical Examination Record for Foreigners must undergo another

physical examination. Anyone who refuses to accept the physical examination or is diagnosed with diseases China deems unable to enter Chinese grounds by Chinese laws will be ordered to leave China, and the obtained eligibility of SGS will also be automatically cancelled. Physical examinations and any return to homeland fees will be self-funded. Accommodation and living expenses covered by Class A scholarship will also be suspended the very month.

Residence Registration: SGS recipients must, within 30 days upon arrival in Shanghai, go to Shanghai Municipal Exit and Entry Administration Bureau to apply for residence registration using their passports, the Letter of Admission and Physical Examination Record for Foreigners after passing the health certification.

V. Assessment

Shanghai Municipal Education Commission will entrust education management experts in Shanghai to conduct an comprehensive assessment annually on the management, implementation, completion and effective usage of the particular funds of SGS in the relevant HEIs. The performance assessment of SGS in relevant HEIs will serve as the basis for Shanghai Municipal Education Commission to audit the quota allocation for scholarships for the coming year.

VI. Supervision and Inspection

A) All the relevant HEIs should attach great importance to and make earnest efforts to do well in the SGS implementation, strictly abide by these regulations to ensure that the scholarships are all used for qualified international students.

B) Relevant HEIs should continue to strengthen the education and management of SGS recipients. Recipients who violate state laws and regulations , school disciplines and rules, or are unable to continue their studies due to learning or health reasons shall have their scholarships cancelled or suspended and shall be reported to Shanghai Municipal Education Commission.

VII. Supplementary Provisions

Shanghai Municipal Education Commission is responsible for the interpretation of these regulations which shall enter trial implementation on December 25, 2006.