New Zealand TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Application Form

New Zealand China Doctoral Research Scholarships

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New Zealand Scholarships

New Zealand Scholarships empower individuals with the knowledge, skills and qualifications to contribute to economic, social and political development of their country. They are funded and managed through the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Scholarship recipients are required to return to their home country on completion of their scholarship to work for a minimum period of two years in order to apply their new skills and knowledge.

Section A  Eligibility Checklist

This checklist will help you decide whether you are eligible to apply for a New Zealand Scholarship.

Please read and answer the questions carefully, and refer to the additional information provided.

You must complete this checklist as part of your application, and your application will not be accepted if this checklist is incomplete.

To be eligible for a New Zealand scholarship you need to be able to say yes or not applicable to every question below that applies to you. You may tick ‘Not Applicable’ on selected questions only when the specific statements apply.

Please answer all questions truthfully and completely. Your application may be invalid if you do not.

If you are not eligible, please do not complete the rest of the application form or post it.

| A1 | I will be at least 18 years old at the time I start the scholarship | Yes | No | Not Applicable |
| A2 | The country I am currently living in is China | Yes | No |
| A3 | I am a citizen of China | Yes | No |
| A4 | I have been living in China for at least the last two years | Yes | No | Not Applicable |

Tick ‘Not Applicable’ if you are:
- a member of the diplomatic corps; OR
- a dependent of a member of the diplomatic corps

Please refer to Table D on page 24 for a definition of ‘diplomatic corps’.
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### B1 Full name

Where you provide personal information the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade (MFAT) only uses that information for the purpose(s) for which it was gathered, and provides it to any third parties that are specified in this privacy declaration or as otherwise communicated to you at the point of collection.

Personal information you provide will be stored securely and in some instances it will be stored using secure cloud computing technology outside New Zealand. At all times all personal information will be stored in accordance with the principles of the New Zealand Privacy Act 1993.

I confirm and declare that:

1. I am not aware of any medical, personal or other circumstances (e.g. disability, illness, family or financial matters), which might prevent me from completing my study within the scholarship term;

2. I agree to the use, retention and sharing of information contained in this application, and information relating to my scholarship, studies and alumnus status once my studies are complete, in accordance with the New Zealand Privacy Act 1993, between the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and:

   (a) all relevant authorities, including the New Zealand Ministry of Education, the New Zealand Qualifications Authority and New Zealand educational providers, to enable:
      (i) placement in an educational institution;
      (ii) collection of academic progress reports and results; and
      (iii) on-going administration, alumni management and monitoring of the scholarship.
   (b) Immigration New Zealand (regarding my immigration status);
   (c) New Zealand Inland Revenue and Ministry of Social Development (for study link and taxation purposes); and
   (d) Third parties authorised by MFAT (including, where applicable, partner governments) to assess my application for a scholarship.

3. I understand that the law of New Zealand will apply to any agreement between me and the New Zealand Government.

4. Information provided about and by me in the eligibility and application form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

5. I acknowledge that supplying false or misleading information is a serious offence under the New Zealand Crimes Act 1961 and will result in MFAT withdrawing a scholarship, if offered.

### B2 Signature | Date

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Please complete this form in English, writing clearly using black or blue pen.

It is important to complete all sections of the application form correctly, and include required documents. **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

Information on the New Zealand Scholarships including eligible countries, the application process, deadlines, priority subject areas, and the list of participating New Zealand education institutions is available on the scholarships pages of the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade website: [www.mfat.govt.nz](http://www.mfat.govt.nz)

Use the word counts provided as a guide for how much detail to provide when answering questions.

In addition to the application form you need to provide evidence of contact with a PhD supervisor from a New Zealand institution and copies of your academic transcripts. Please securely attach these documents to the back of the form. There should be no other attachments.

Please submit your completed application to the New Zealand Embassy, Sanlitun East 3rd St, Chaoyang 100600, Beijing, China. Failure to do so will result in your application being deemed ineligible.

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### Section C  Personal Details

#### C1  First/Given Name/s

| ______________________ |

#### C2  Family Name/Surname

| ______________________ |

#### C3  Preferred Name *(optional)*

| ______________________ |

#### C4  Gender

- [ ] Male  
- [ ] Female  
- [ ] Other

#### C5  Please provide a contact address

*The scholarship application process can take several months. To ensure your application is processed without disruption please supply an address below where we can send important updates throughout the process.*

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Please confirm two options for your preferred study programme.

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Level study is PhD

D2
First choice study qualification

D3
First choice major subject/s

D4
Preferred institution where training is to be completed

D5
Employment sector aligned to proposed study

D6
If you are not accepted into your first choice of study qualification, please provide a second choice of study qualification

D7
Second choice major subject/s
D8  Preferred institution where training is to be completed

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

Please insert institution code from the list in Table B on page 23

D9  Employment sector aligned to proposed study

1 Please identify one employment sector from Table C on page 24 that is most similar to your intended area of work upon completion of your study

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

Please insert sector code from the list in Table C on page 24

D10  Title of proposed research

________________________________________________________________________
Outline of proposed research topic and objectives (max. 250 words)

Summary of proposed research approach (max. 250 words)
Section E  
Study History

E1 Please indicate the levels of study you have successfully completed or any study currently in progress. Please leave blank if not applicable.

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E2 Please provide a maximum of four academic study/training related awards, prizes or publications you have achieved in the course of your studies (not specific to any particular qualification you hold).

Please provide details of each qualification you have either successfully completed or are currently studying, with your highest qualification first.

① If you hold more than three qualifications, please provide the three most relevant qualifications only.

① For this application you will need to provide a copy of your academic transcript for each qualification listed. Please note that you will be required to provide verified copies of academic transcripts and completion certificates later in the selection process if you are successful.
**QUALIFICATION ONE**

Name of qualification

Major subjects (if applicable)

Name of institution

Location of institution

Start date  
End date (if completed)  
or Expected end date

(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)

Have you attached an academic transcript?  □ Yes  □ No (your application may not be accepted)

Was this study funded through a scholarship?  □ Yes (if yes, provide details below)  □ No

Scholarship name

Scholarship provider

**QUALIFICATION TWO**

□ Not Applicable (no other relevant qualifications)

Name of qualification

Major subjects (if applicable)

Name of institution

Location of institution

Start date  
End date (if completed)  
or Expected end date

(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)

Have you attached an academic transcript?  □ Yes  □ No (your application may not be accepted)

Was this study funded through a scholarship?  □ Yes (if yes, provide details below)  □ No

Scholarship name

Scholarship provider

**QUALIFICATION THREE**

□ Not Applicable (no other relevant qualifications)

Name of qualification

Major subjects (if applicable)

Name of institution

Location of institution

Start date  
End date (if completed)  
or Expected end date

(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)  
(Month / Year)
Have you attached an academic transcript?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No (your application may not be accepted)
Was this study funded through a scholarship?  ☐ Yes (if yes, provide details below)  ☐ No

Scholarship name

Scholarship provider

Section F  Work History

Please provide your work history with your current/most recent employment/position first

If you have worked in more than four different positions, provide your current and/or four most recent and relevant positions to your proposed study.

F1

POSITION ONE (current/most recent position)

Position title

☐ Full time paid  ☐ Part time paid  ☐ Volunteer

Organisation name

Start date  (Month/Year)  End date  (Month/Year)  or  ☐ Current employment

Description of the type of work carried out by the organisation
Description of your duties/responsibilities

If this is your current employment, will you be returning to this role?
☐ Yes (go to F2)
☐ No If no, why won’t you be returning to this job?

F2 POSITION TWO  ☐ Not Applicable (no other relevant positions held)

Position title
☐ Full time paid  ☐ Part time paid  ☐ Volunteer

Organisation name

Start date   (Month/Year)  End date   (Month/Year)  or  ☐ Current employment
Description of the type of work carried out by the organisation

Description of your duties/responsibilities

POSITION THREE  ☐ Not Applicable (no other relevant positions held)

Position title

☐ Full time paid  ☐ Part time paid  ☐ Volunteer

Organisation name

Start date  (Month/Year)  End date  (Month/Year)  or  ☐ Current employment
Description of the type of work carried out by the organisation

Description of your duties/responsibilities

If you’re not returning to your current or most recent position, what job do you intend to pursue on your return to your home country?

Name of prospective job

Name of prospective organisation/ area of work

Section G - Development Relevance Questions

Please write your responses clearly. This should be your own original work. Please be aware that although we want specific responses to each question only the words within the maximum word count will be considered.

When you write your answers please:
- Keep your answers concise and close to the word limit
- Be truthful with your examples, as they may be checked through your references
- Use only your own original work, or reference where it has come from.
G1  What skills and knowledge do you hope to gain from your proposed study? (max. 250 words)

G2  Why are the skills and knowledge you have described in G1 important to your country’s development? (max. 250 words)

Where possible you should refer to data and research that supports your argument.
How will you use your new knowledge and skills to contribute to the development of your home country? (max. 250 words)

Section H Competency Questions

The following questions will ask you to provide examples that demonstrate particular skills and abilities (competencies) that are important to your future success as a New Zealand Scholar. Please note that you are not required to provide names of individuals or organisations.

It is important that you respond to these questions by:

1) Describing the situation – provide only a brief summary of the setting, the problem, and the people involved.

2) Stating what action you took – this is the most important part, explain what you did to address the situation, what your role was, and why you did the things you did.

3) Describing the outcome – did you achieve what was needed? If not, what lessons did you learn?

When you write your answers please:

- Be careful to choose an example that will let you clearly demonstrate how you display the skills and abilities we are looking for.
- Be careful using “we”, be very clear about what you specifically did.
- Keep your answers concise and close to the word limit.
Be truthful with your examples, as they may be checked through your references.

Use only your own original work, or reference where it has come from.

An example of a typical question and answer:

**Describe a situation when you had to identify a problem and generate a solution.**

**Describe the situation (100 words)**

As part of my Diploma in Marketing, I worked on an assignment with three other students. In our first team meeting we had decided to split the assignment into four components, where each one of us had their own section to complete, and we would meet again in a week’s time to complete the assignment.

When we met up for this final meeting, we realised that one of the team misunderstood the instructions and accidentally doubled up on another team member’s part of the assignment, leaving us with an incomplete component in our assignment.

**What action did you take? (150 words)**

In order for us to complete the assignment at the end of our meeting as planned, I suggested we divide up the meeting into two groups. Before we decided on the group members, I asked if anyone needed to leave at the planned end time.

Team member 1 needed to leave at a particular time, so I added him to the first group. Team members 1 and 2 worked on finalising the already completed parts. I worked together with team member 3 and focused on completing the incomplete part. I asked team member 3 to do the research on the required information while I worked this into the structure and communicated with team members 1 and 2 to ensure consistency throughout the whole assignment.

Towards the end, team member 1 had to leave, but the rest of us worked together to finalise the assignment.

**What was the outcome? (100 words)**

Even though we needed more time to complete the assignment and we had 1 team member leave early, the planned approach to the problem and team work meant that we were able to make a lot of progress in a short space of time.

We were able to complete all components, and add a general introduction and conclusion within the one meeting too.

The final outcome included an “A” for our assignment.
Describe a situation when it was important for you to work with someone you didn’t know. Describe how you built a good working relationship in a school or work setting.

Describe the situation and why it was important (100 words)

What action did you take? (150 words)

What was the outcome of the action? (100 words)
Describe a situation when you had to work very hard to achieve what was required.

Describe the situation (100 words)

What action did you take? (150 words)

What was the outcome of the action? (100 words)
Section I

Studying Overseas

I1. Why did you decide to apply to study in New Zealand? (max. 250 words)
If you are successful in being awarded a scholarship, what challenges do you think that you will face living and studying in a different country and how do you intend to overcome these? Include both study and family requirements. (max. 250 words)

Section J  English Language

Should you be shortlisted for a scholarship you will be asked at that stage to sit the appropriate English language test. However, if you already have test scores you can enter them here. You will not be disadvantaged if you have not sat the test when you apply.

Candidates who are selected for a scholarship will need to provide evidence of International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores which are no more than 24 months old and meet the minimum requirement for entry into their preferred programme of study.

As a general rule, for those wishing to complete a postgraduate qualification an overall IELTS score of 6.5 and no band less than 6.0 is the minimum required.

Which of the following English language tests have you completed in the last 24 months?

☐ IELTS  ☐ Written TOEFL  ☐ Online TOEFL  ☐ None

If you answered ‘None’ go to Section K, otherwise go to J2.
J2  Date of test  /  /  

J3  Test report form number  
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Date results available  /  /  

J4  Please provide your scores, if available for either IELTS or TOEFL  

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Section K  Where Did You Hear About Us  

K1  Where did you first hear about this scholarship? Please tick as many as apply.  

☐ NZ Scholarships website  ☐ Employer (private sector)  
☐ NZ Scholarships Facebook page  ☐ Employer (public/government sector)  
☐ NZ Embassy/High Commission hosted event  ☐ Business association  
☐ Paper information provided by the NZ Embassy/High Commission  ☐ Education agency  
☐ A New Zealand university  ☐ Friends or family  
☐ A school or university in your country  ☐ A former NZ scholar  
☐ Newspaper  ☐ Online advertising  
☐ Other
Table A

**Immigration Website**

You will need to meet the immigration requirements to gain international student entry to New Zealand. Please check the following website for further information:

www.immigration.govt.nz

Table B

**Academic and English Language Requirements**

Each qualification in New Zealand has different entry requirements. One of those requirements considers your previous qualifications against the qualification you are applying for. There are additional entry requirements for some qualifications offered at some New Zealand institutions. These entry requirements are separate and additional to the English language entry requirements.

As a general rule, for those wishing to complete a postgraduate qualification an overall IELTS score of 6.5 and no band less than 6.0 is the minimum required. However, each institution sets their own English language requirements, and these may be different depending on the study programme that you are interested in. We strongly recommend you contact your preferred institution to find out what the English language requirement for your chosen study programme is. Please check the websites below for more information:

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### Table D: Glossary

**Citizen:** A person who is a member of a country and who has rights because of being born there or because of being given rights.

**Diplomatic corps:** A group of foreign diplomats living in a country to which they are accredited.

**Permanent resident:** A permanent resident is a resident of a particular country, who usually holds a permanent resident visa. Holding a permanent resident visa can provide the same rights as citizens of that same country.