

New Zealand **TERTIARY** **SCHOLARSHIPS**



Application Form **2017 Selection**

**New Zealand China Doctoral Research
Scholarship**

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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 within their home countries. They are funded by the New Zealand Aid Programme 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 two years or more. This is so you can apply your new skills and knowledge and contribute to the development of your home country.

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 China Doctoral Scholarship you need to be able to say 'Yes' to every question below. You may select 'Not Applicable' on selected questions only when the specific criteria presented apply.

Please answer all questions truthfully and completely. If you are not eligible, please do not complete the rest of the application form. Should we determine that you are ineligible during the selection process your application will be declined.

		Yes	No	Not Applicable
A1	I will be at least 18 years old at the time I start the scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A2	The country I am living in is eligible for a New Zealand China Doctoral Scholarship.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A3	I am a citizen of the country I am living in <small>ⓘ Please refer to Table C on page 23 for a definition of 'citizen'.</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A4	On 31 December 2017, this country will have been my main	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

country of residence for the last two years or more

① 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 C on page 23 for a definition of 'diplomatic corps'.

A5	I confirm that I am not currently serving in the military	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A6	I want to study in New Zealand	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A7	I want to study at the PhD level	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A8	I expect to meet Immigration requirements for a student visa to New Zealand (i.e. medical checks, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	① Please refer to Table A on page 22 for the Immigration New Zealand website. Please note that applicants are not required to undertake these checks at the time of application.			
A9	I expect to meet the academic entry requirement (including English language ability) to get into my preferred programme of study	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	① Please refer to Table B on page 22 for general minimum standards, links to institution websites and information on English language requirements.			
A10	I confirm I have not been previously terminated from a New Zealand Government Scholarship because of poor academic performance or personal conduct	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A11	I can demonstrate that the study I want to do will enable me to contribute to the sustainable development of my home country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A12	I am committed to return to my country for a minimum of two years at the end of my scholarship to contribute to my country's development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A13	I confirm that I am <u>not</u> also a citizen or permanent resident of any of the following countries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Zealand • Japan • USA • Australia • Qatar • United Kingdom • Canada • Saudi Arabia • European Union countries • Israel • South Korea • United Arab Emirates 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A14	I have at least one year full time (two-year's part time)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

work experience relevant to my career and/or preferred qualification.

Section B

Declaration

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. 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 alumni 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

- Make sure you read the Application Guidance section of our website before completing your application.
 - 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.**
 - Use the word counts provided as a guide for how much detail to provide when answering questions. Answers must be within word limits.
 - In addition to the application form you need to provide copies of your academic transcripts. PhD applicants are also encouraged to include a Letter of Support from your proposed supervisor. Please note this will be required should be shortlisted. We do not at this time require a formal offer of place from a New Zealand institution.
 - Please securely attach required documents to the back of the form. No additional attachments will be accepted.
 - **Please submit your completed application form to the address below:**
 - Division of American & Oceanian Affairs, the China Scholarship Council (CSC)
Level 13, Building A3 No.9 Chegongzhuang Avenue
Beijing 100044
P.R. China
Phone: +86 (0)10 6609 3900
Facsimile: +86 (0)10 8839 3620
Website: www.csc.edu.cn
- Any applications not received via the CSC will be declined.
- All applications must be sent to CSC by **20 June 2017**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Section D

Personal Details

D1 First/Given Name/s

D2 Family Name/Surname

D3 Preferred Name (*optional*)

D4 Gender

Male Female Other

D5 Date of birth (*dd/mm/yyyy*)

D6 Please provide a contact address

^① *This physical address is used for our reference. Please note that we will communicate with you via email, or phone where necessary.*

Street Address

PO Box Number

Suburb/Village

Town/City

District/Province

Country

Post Code

D7

Primary Telephone Number

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Country	Area	Number

Work Home Mobile

Secondary Telephone Number

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Country	Area	Number

Work Home Mobile

D8

Email Address

① Please supply an accurate email address – this email should be one that you check regularly. The scholarship application process can take several months and we need to communicate with you regularly during this time.

Section E Proposed Programme of Study

① Please confirm up to two options for your preferred PhD programme of study. You must do your own research about what could be the best programme and institution for you.

See [Where you can study](#) and [What you can study](#) on our website for assistance.

The final choice of where you will be placed is at MFAT's full discretion.

For PhD students, study will be expected to start in the first four months of the year.

Option One

E1 Qualification

E2 Preferred institution where training is to be completed

Please insert institution code from the list in Table B on page 22.

Option Two

E3 Qualification

E4 Preferred institution where training is to be completed

Please insert institution code from the list in Table B on page 22.

① **Questions E11 to E13 are compulsory for PhD applicants. This should be your own original work, otherwise reference where it has come from.**

PhD candidates are encouraged to start finding and securing a supervisor for this proposed PhD. If you are shortlisted, you will be required to supply a Letter of Support from your proposed supervisor. (If you already have a Letter of Support, you can attach it now.) Please refer to Table C on page 23 for a description of 'Letter of Support'.

E5 Title of proposed research

E6 Outline of proposed research topic and objectives (max. 250 words)

E7 Summary of proposed research approach (max. 250 words)

Section F

Study History

F1

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

	In Progress	Completed
Secondary School	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
University Foundation Year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tertiary Training / Technical Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Undergraduate Diploma	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bachelor's Degree	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Postgraduate Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Postgraduate Diploma	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Master's Degree	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doctorate (PhD)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other <input style="width: 300px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

F2

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, below, details of each qualification you have either successfully

completed or are currently studying, with your highest qualification first.

① *Should For each qualification listed please attach a copy of your academic transcript, including the Grading Scale.*

① *Note: We will accept unverified copies of your transcript at this stage. You will be required to provide verified copies of academic transcripts and completion certificates later in the selection process if you are shortlisted.*

Please refer to Table C on page 23 for a definition of 'verified'.

F3

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
<input type="text" value="(Month / Year)"/>	<input type="text" value="(Month / Year)"/>	<input type="text" value="(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

F4

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
<input type="text" value="(Month / Year)"/>	<input type="text" value="(Month / Year)"/>	<input type="text" value="(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

F5 QUALIFICATION THREE Not Applicable (no other relevant qualifications)

Name of qualification

Major subjects (if applicable)

Name of institution

Location of institution

Start date (Month / Year) End date (if completed) (Month / Year) or Expected end date (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 and provider

Section G

Work History

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

① You are required to have at least one year full-time (or two years part-time) work experience relevant to your career and/or chosen programme of study.

If you have worked in more than three different positions, provide your current and two most relevant positions to your proposed study.

G1 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

Briefly describe the work of this organisation

Briefly describe your duties/responsibilities

If this is your current employment, will you be returning to this role?

- Yes (go to G2)
- No If no, why won't you be returning to this job?

G2

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

Briefly describe the work carried out by the organisation

Briefly describe your duties/responsibilities

G3**POSITION THREE** Not Applicable (no other relevant positions held)

Position title

 Full time paid Part time paid Volunteer

Organisation name

Start date

End date

or Current employment

Briefly describe the work carried out by the organisation

Briefly describe your duties/responsibilities

G5

If you are successful in receiving a scholarship, and do not intend to return to your current or most recent position after completing your qualification, what job do you intend to pursue on your return to your home country?

Job title

Name of prospective organisation/ area of work

Section H**Development Relevance Questions**

When you write your answers please:

- *Keep your answers concise and within the word limit (we won't read beyond the word limit).*
- *Be truthful with your examples, as they may be checked through your referees later on.*

- *Make sure this is your own original work, or reference where it has come from.*

H1

What skills and knowledge do **you** hope to gain from your proposed programme of study?
(max. 250 words)

H2

Why are the skills and knowledge **you** have described in H1 important to your country's development? (max. 250 words)
Where possible you should refer to data and research that supports your argument.

H3

How will **you** use your new knowledge and skills to contribute to the development of your home country? (max.250 words)

Section I

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 very clear about what you specifically did.
- Keep your answers concise and within the word limit. We will not read beyond the word limit.
- Be truthful with your examples, as they may be checked through your referees later on.

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.

I1

Relationship Management

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 (max. 100 words)

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

What was the outcome of the action? (max. 100 words)

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Self Drive

Describe a situation when **you** had to work very hard to achieve what was required.

Describe the situation (max. 100 words)

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

What was the outcome of the action? (max. 100 words)

Section J

Studying Overseas

J1

Why did **you** decide to apply to study in New Zealand? (max. 250 words)

J2

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 personal challenges. (max. 250 words)

Section K

English Language

① *English language ability is important for your success as a New Zealand Scholar. If you are shortlisted for a scholarship, you will be asked to sit the appropriate test. If you already have test scores you can enter them below. You will not be disadvantaged if you do not have any test scores at this stage.*

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 two years 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. A TOEFL score of 90 on the internet based test is typically required for postgraduate study.

K1

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 L**, otherwise go to **K2**.*

K2

Date of test

K3

Test report form number

OR

Date results available

K4

Please provide your scores, if available, for either IELTS or internet-based TOEFL

Overall score		Speaking		Online TOEFL	
Writing		Reading		Written TOEFL	
Listening					

Section L

Where Did You Hear About the NZ Scholarships Programme?

L1 Where did you first hear about this scholarship? Please tick as many as apply to you.

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> MFAT website – NZ Scholarships pages | <input type="checkbox"/> Employer (private sector) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NZ Scholarships Facebook page | <input type="checkbox"/> Employer (public/government sector) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NZ Embassy/High Commission hosted event | <input type="checkbox"/> Business association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper information provided by the NZ Embassy/High Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Education agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A New Zealand university | <input type="checkbox"/> Friends or family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A school or university in your country | <input type="checkbox"/> A former NZ scholar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Online advertising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

For Office Use Only:

Country Code:

Date Received:

APN Number:

NOTE: the following pages are for your information only and are not required as part of your application.

Table A

Immigration Website

You will need to meet the immigration requirements to gain international student entry to the country in which you will undertake your scholarship study. 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 set their English language requirements, and these may be different depending on the qualification that you are interested in. We strongly recommend you contact your preferred education institution to find out what the English language requirement for your chosen programme of study is.

Please check the websites below for more information:

Name & Contact Details	Institution Code
Auckland University of Technology - www.aut.ac.nz (scholarships@aut.ac.nz)	NZ01
University of Canterbury - www.canterbury.ac.nz (international@canterbury.ac.nz)	NZ02
Lincoln University - www.lincoln.ac.nz (scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz)	NZ03
Manukau Institute of Technology - www.manukau.ac.nz (international@manukau.ac.nz)	NZ04
Massey University - www.massey.ac.nz (international@massey.ac.nz)	NZ05
University of Otago - www.otago.ac.nz (international.admissions@otago.ac.nz)	NZ06
Unitec Institute of Technology - www.unitec.ac.nz (international@unitec.ac.nz)	NZ07
University of Auckland - www.auckland.ac.nz (int-questions@auckland.ac.nz)	NZ08
Victoria University of Wellington - www.victoria.ac.nz (VUW-NZAID@vuw.ac.nz)	NZ09
University of Waikato - www.waikato.ac.nz (int.centre@waikato.ac.nz)	NZ10

Table C**Glossary and Explanations****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.

Letter of Support (PhD students only)

A letter from your proposed Supervisor stating they have been in contact with you regarding your proposed research. If you are shortlisted, you would be required to receive a formal offer of place from the institution, which would be subject to academic and language requirements.

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.

Verified

A verified copy is a copy of a document that is stamped and signed as a true copy of the original. The exact requirements for a verified document may vary depending on the institutions. As a general rule a document can be verified by the institution that originally issued it, a solicitor, a notary public, or a Justice of the Peace.