

Chinese Government Scholarship 2016/2017

Kingdom of Tonga

OVERVIEW

The Chinese Government is offering 19 full Scholarships to Tongan students for the academic year of 2016/2017. The scholarships offer the funding for the study of Chinese language and the major chosen by candidates and cover tuition, lodging, medical insurance, and a certain amount of living stipend. The scheme is administered by the China Scholarship Council (CSC) in collaboration with the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Tonga. The Embassy will nominate the candidates to commence study in China in the autumn of 2016.

ELIGIBITY

- be a citizen of the Kingdom of Tonga and in good health;
- be a high school graduate under the age of 25 for undergraduate program;
- be a bachelor's degree holder under the age of 35 for master program;
- be a master's degree holder under the age of 40 for doctoral program.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants should first register on the CSC website <u>http://laihua.csc.edu.cn</u> and then submit the application forms and supporting documents (all in duplicate) to Chinese Embassy.

1. Application form

PLEASE NOTE:

- The form will be available following registration on CSC Website.
- *Please use Internet Explorer for the online application.*
- The Agency Number for Tonga is 7761.
- Submit and print off the application at the end of this stage.

2.Supporting Documents:

- Notarized highest diploma (photocopy): Prospective diploma winners must submit official proof of student status by their current school.
- Academic transcript.
- A Study Plan or Research Proposal in English.

- Recommendation letters: Applicant for graduate programs must submit two letters of recommendation in Chinese or English from professors or associate professors.
- Applicants under the age of 18 should submit the valid documents of their legal guardians in China.
- Applicants with Admission Letter from designed universities should enclose the letter in the application package.
- Certificate for Chinese language study if any..

PLEASE NOTE:

- *No application documents will be returned.*
- All above mentioned documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be attached with translations.

CLOSING DATE: 26 February 2016

RESULTS: Nominations by Chinese Embassy will be announced in 10 March 2016. Chinese Scholarship Council decisions announced in July 2016. The candidates will commerce study in China in September 2016.

MORE INFORMATION: Scholarship details are available at the CSC website <u>http://en.csc.edu.cn/Laihua</u>, which explains the remit of the scheme, including a list of participating universities, full scholarship benefits and medical arrangements. Please read the detail carefully. If you need further inquires, please contact Chinese Embassy by <u>ChineseEmbassyTonga@gmail.com</u>.