

PRESS COMMUNIQUÉ

UNESCO/People's Republic of China Great Wall co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme 2010 -2011

Applications are invited for the **Great Wall co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme 2010 offered by UNESCO/People's Republic of China.**

2. These fellowships offered in open competition are intended for **senior advanced students** wishing to pursue **non-degree post graduate studies** (in English) for one year or less in China. Special attention will be given to women's candidatures.

3. Applicants should be:

- Holder of at least the equivalent of the Master's Degree, except for the agriculture related subject the BSc Degree at least.
- Proficient in English.
- Not more than **45 years** of age.
- In good health (both physically and mentally).

4. The facilities offered by the Government of the People's Republic of China are as follows:

- A monthly allowance of **1.700 to 2.000 yuan** (Chinese RMB) to cover meals and pocket expenses (depending on level of academic studies)
- A one-time settlement subsidy of **CNY 1000 yuan** for those whose period of studies lasts up to one academic year and **CNY 1500 yuan** for those whose period of studies lasts above one academic year
- All training expenses, including registration and tuition fees, fee for laboratory experiment, fee for internship, fee for basic/necessary learning materials.
- Accommodation facilities (in general two students share one room)
- Medical insurance, except for the following expenses: dental care, eyeglasses, parturition or abortion, orthopedics of physiological defects;

- diet supplements and treatments of chronic diseases acquired before coming to China; and
- A one-time inter-city travel allowance (each for coming in and leaving China)

The facilities offered by UNESCO are as follows:

- ◆ International Travel to and from China
- ◆ Monthly Allowance of **USD 150** in local currency

5. Applications must be made on the prescribed Chinese application form **in triplicate** (with 3 photographs) and with the following attachments:

- (a) Photocopies of notarized diplomas and certificates, and school-certified transcripts of complete academic records;
- (b) Copy of the university's invitation letter, for those students who have already been admitted to a Chinese university;
- (c) **Two letters** of recommendation (in English) by professors or associate professors familiar with the work of the candidate;
- (d) A research proposal containing no less than 400 words (in English) of the post-graduate study to be undertaken during the candidate's stay in China;
- (e) Physical Examination Form;
- (f) **Foreigner Physical Examination form** in attached copy (to be completed around March or in April 2010), **in triplicate**; and
- (g) **English proficiency certificate, in triplicate.**

6. Each candidate is asked to specify 3 possible host institutions in China indicating 1 field of study as personal preference. (The applicant may wish to visit the China Scholarship Council website: www.csc.ed.cn for details regarding these host institutions)

7. Application Forms, Medical Examination Form and the list of proposed fields of study can be obtained at the Mauritius National Commission for UNESCO .

8. Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in application form in duplicate. One copy thereof, along with the relevant supporting documents, should be submitted to the Natcom Section and one copy to the applicant's employer to enable the latter to decide on the release of the applicant for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. **Such information should be made available at the time of submission of application forms.**

9. The deadline for submission of candidatures to the Mauritius National Commission for UNESCO is **Wednesday 24 March 2010**.

Files which are not complete or which are received after the deadline, as well as candidates who do not fulfill the requirements mentioned above, will not be taken into consideration.

10. In case there are more than two applications, a panel will be set up to recommend the most suitable entries for selection by the donor Government.

11. Candidates not informed of their selection by **31 August 2010** should consider that their applications have not been approved by the Chinese authorities.

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