

2025 Application Guide to International Confucian Association Scholarship at Shandong University

The International Confucian Association Scholarship is launched by the International Confucian Association, aiming to promote excellent traditional Chinese culture, enhance cultural exchanges between China and foreign countries, and encourage mutual learning among different civilizations. The program is designed to cultivate a new generation of young scholars in Chinese studies.

I. Eligibility

1. Applicants must be physically and mentally healthy, friendly to China, have no criminal record, and be non-Chinese citizens holding a valid regular foreign passport;

2. Applicants must hold a Bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification, have excellent academic performance, and be under the age of 25.

3. Funding Type and Major

Major	Student Category	Language of Instruction	Duration
Chinese Philosophy	Master's Degree	Chinese	3 years

4. Language Requirements:

Applicants must pass the HSK Level 6 examination (180 points or above). Applicants who have obtained their highest degree in an institution where the primary language of instruction is Chinese, do not need to provide the HSK certificate, but must submit a letter of proof stating the entire program was delivered in Chinese.

5. The exit and entry administration authority of the Chinese public security organ will determine whether the applicant has Chinese nationality in addition to foreign nationality based on the results of the nationality determination. If it is determined that the applicant holds Chinese nationality after application, admission, or enrollment, the application, admission, or study qualification will be annulled.

6. Applicants must also meet other requirements stated in 2025 Application Instructions for International Students (Master Programs) at Shandong University.

II. Application Time

From now to April 1, 2025

Note: After the application deadline, no supplementary materials will be accepted. Applicants are advised to complete their applications at least two weeks before the deadline.

III. Application Procedure

1. Apply online through the SDU Online Application System for International Students (<http://www.apply.sdu.edu.cn>), select the International Confucian Association Scholarship, fill in application information and upload the required application documents.

2. Pay the application fee of 400 RMB upon receiving a pre-admission email (Once the application fee is paid, it will be non-refundable.).

IV. Application Documents

1. Application Form for International Confucian Association Scholarship (please refer to [Annex](#));

2. For related requirements on other application documents, please refer to *2025 Application Instructions for International Students (Master Programs) at Shandong University*.

V. Application Instructions

1. Shandong University reserves the right to request applicants to provide supplementary application documents.

2. Recipients of this scholarship are not allowed to simultaneously receive financial support from other scholarships established by various levels of the Chinese government or admitting institutions, all kinds of one-time bonuses excluded. If such a violation is discovered, the scholarship qualification will be revoked, and the received scholarship funds must be returned.

VI. Review and Enrollment

1. Shandong University is responsible for reviewing the application materials and approving the list of recommended candidates for the scholarship.

2. The recommended candidates will be selected based on the evaluation of experts from International Confucian Association.

3. Scholarship winners must participate in the annual review. For those who fail the assessment, their qualification as scholarship students will be suspended or annulled.

VII. Contact Us

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