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**Applying for the King’s-China Scholarship Council (K-CSC) Programme**

If you want to apply for a PhD at King’s College London and your country of domicile is PR China, then you may be eligible for the **King’s-China Scholarship Council (K-CSC)** programme.

Up to **100 scholarships** are available at King’s College London for 2019-20 entry and the award is valid for up to 48 months of study. King’s covers the full tuition fees for each PhD student and the China Scholarship Council (CSC) contributes to the living costs in London.

**How to Apply:**

1. Apply to King’s College London for a research degree (PhD) programme using the online admissions system (<https://apply.kcl.ac.uk/>)by **Friday 11 January 2019 (17:00 GMT)**
2. Ensure to tick the box at **item 5 (Award Scheme Code or Name)** and enter the code

**1920-KCSC** on the funding part of the KCL Application Form

1. Ensure you have submitted proof of English language proficiency by **Thursday 31 January 2019**
2. Submit a separate application to the China Scholarship Council by the relevant deadline (we are still waiting to hear from the CSC about this date)

Please note that late submissions will not be accepted.

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| **Date** | **Action** |
| Early November 2018 - January 2019 | Practice your English language skills |
|  | Review King’s online supervisor catalogue,  available early November at this link:  [www.kcl.ac.uk/research/funding-opportunities/doctoral-research-opportunities/international-scholarships.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/research/funding-opportunities/doctoral-research-opportunities/international-scholarships.aspx) |
|  | Contact potential supervisors about your research interests |
|  | Discuss your research ideas with your potential supervisors  (some disciplines may require a research proposal) |
| 11 January 2019 | Deadline to apply to King’s College London |
| 31 January 2019 | Deadline to submit proof of English language proficiency to King’s |
| January – March  2019 (deadline to be confirmed) | Apply directly to the China Scholarship Council for funding.  The application guidance will be published on the CSC official website:  <http://apply.csc.edu.cn/csc/main/person/login/index.jsf>  You will need to inform the Centre for Doctoral Studies about the  progress of your application to the CSC, including dates of submission  and any interview dates |

**King’s PhD Application Guidance Notes**

**Academic entry requirements:**

* A minimum of a 2:1 first degree in a relevant subject or equivalent (approx 80% - 85% from a good Chinese university)
* It is likely you will need to have a master's degree before undertaking a PhD at King’s

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Entry requirements vary for each programme of study. Please see our **online prospectus at:** [www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/index.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/index.aspx) **(and be sure to filter the results for ‘postgraduate research’)**

**Finding a Project or Supervisor**

A catalogue of supervisors at King’s will be available online in **early November 2018** to help you identify an academic with relevant research interests.

Alternatively, you can browse through the King’s research portal: <https://kclpure.kcl.ac.uk/portal/>.

**English Language Requirements:**

* You must meet the English language requirement by **31 January 2019**
* A table showing our postgraduate English language entry requirements can be found here: [www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/entry-requirements/english-language.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/entry-requirements/english-language.aspx)

**Documents to include with all PhD applications:**

* A copy of your CV
* 2 academic references (or contact details for two academic referees)
* Copies of transcripts of UG and PG study (along with official English translations)
* English Language Certificate (such as IELTS or TOEFL)

**Other documents that may be required:**

* Research proposal (only needed for certain faculties; check online prospectus)
* Personal statement (only needed for certain faculties; check online prospectus)
* Written sample of work (only needed for some programmes; check online prospectus)

**Selection process:**

1. Following an internal review process, the faculties at King’s College London will evaluate and shortlist candidates
2. In March 2019, the Centre for Doctoral Studies will provide the China Scholarship Council with the shortlist of students we are willing to accept and sponsor
3. Final decisions will be made by the China Scholarship Council who will draw up a list of awardees and send it to the Centre for Doctoral Studies (around May/early June)
4. You will then be notified by Centre for Doctoral Studies whether you have been successful

**Other funding opportunities**

For details of other available funding schemes, please visit the following links:

[www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/student-funding/postgraduate-research-funding/index.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/student-funding/postgraduate-research-funding/index.aspx)

[www1.kcl.ac.uk/graduate/funding/database/](https://www1.kcl.ac.uk/graduate/funding/database/)

**Contacts**

* Centre for Doctoral Studies (scholarship) application enquiries: [doctoralstudies@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:doctoralstudies@kcl.ac.uk)
* International team (for general enquiries): [china@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:china@kcl.ac.uk)
* Admissions enquiries: [www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/contact-us.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply/contact-us.aspx)

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