China Government Scholarship for Students Attending AASCU Colleges and Universities

On behalf of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), we are pleased to announce that the Educational Office, Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Washington, D.C. has approved fifteen (15) Chinese Government Scholarship awards specifically for American undergraduate students attending AASCU member colleges and universities who wish to study at a Chinese university for the 2018-2019 academic year. Each scholarship is valued at approximately \$10,000.00 U.S. dollars. The scholarships will be distributed to the host universities in China, not directly to the American students. International round-trip airfare is the responsibility of individual students.

Please Note: At Troy University, the Chancellor's Award would apply and could be used for the airfare.

The scholarship includes:

- Tuition and fees
- Room and Board
- Health Insurance
- Travel/Conference Allowance/fees
- Stipend

The application deadline is January 31, 2018. The detailed information is listed on our website:

http://www.aascu.org/programs/InternationalPrograms/StudyinChina/

If you have questions or require additional information about the scholarship application process, please contact: Sufei Li at <u>lis@aascu.org</u>.

I. Scholarship Award Details

1. About AASCU-Chinese Government Scholarship:

- The AASCU designated scholarship from the Chinese Embassy is only available to undergraduate students from AASCU member institutions.
- The scholarship allows students to study the Chinese language and/or other academic subjects for either one academic year or one semester.
- The scholarship money, offered by China Scholarship Council is disbursed to the Chinese universities, **not** to the individual students.
- Candidates are encouraged to apply for the **AASCU recommended Chinese partner universities** listed in the Resource Section. AASCU currently has student and faculty exchange programs with these partner institutions.
- The one-year academic program in China is from September 2018 to July 2019.
- The semester program is either from September 2018 to February 2019, or from March 2019 to July 2019.

2. Eligibility:

Applicants should have a strong interest in Chinese language and culture, and participating in exchanges programs between the United States and China. Applicants are required to be:

- o U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents in the United States
- Full time students enrolled in AASCU institutions
- Students with an overall GPA of 3.0 or above

3. Scholarship items:

Each scholarship is valued at approximately \$10,000.00 US dollars for the one-year program. International round-trip airfare and the China Visa Application fees are the responsibility of the student. The scholarship includes: tuition, room and board, health insurance, travel/conference allowance/fees, and a stipend.

II. Application Requirements

1. Submit the following items to AASCU via email to Sufei Li by January 31, 2018.

- AASCU Application Form (Please first select **three** preferred Chinese universities from AASCU's Recommended University List)
- Copy of your passport page
- Current transcript
- Personal statement listing the applicant's study objectives
- Two recommendation letters (from academic advisors or senior administrators)

2. After receiving the Chinese Embassy's Award Letters from AASCU in March, the next steps of the application include the following:

- Contact the three preferred universities for the "Pre-admission Letters."
- Fill out the on-line <u>Chinese Government Scholarship application</u>.
- Build your application package by providing two sets of each of the documents listed below:
 - Chinese language proficiency exam score (HSK) if ever taken (knowledge of Chinese is not required, but preferred)
 - List of three academic institutions in China where you would like to study
 - Notarized photocopy of highest diploma (high school diploma)
 - Personal statement listed with the applicant's study objectives
 - Photocopy of transcript from the student's AASCU college or university (at least one of them should be an official transcript)
 - Printed online application form with picture attached
 - Three pre-admission letters from the preferred Chinese universities (if available)
 - Two recommendation letters from academic advisors or senior administrators

3. The complete application package should be mailed to AASCU. The due date will be announced after the online application becomes available.

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