

Silk Road School, Renmin University of China (Suzhou) Master of Contemporary Chinese Studies 2021 Program Overview

The Master of Contemporary Chinese Studies is a key measure by Renmin University of China (RUC) to actively support the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) in education. Following several years of preparation, the program leverages RUC's educational platform, international operational experience and high-level think-tank resources to train future elite leaders for countries along the BRI that have a passion for Chinese culture, understand profoundly the path, model and experience of China's development.

Departing from a global strategic perspective and amassing global political leaders, business elite and outstanding faculty resources, the program combines competitive professional courses, expert seminars, high-level forums, visit to well-known enterprises as well as various cultural visits to offer students a well-rounded academic experience in China.

The Silk Road School offers several levels of scholarship for the successful applicants, including the full scholarship and partial scholarship.

Eligibility

- Applicants should have a bachelor's degree or above (awarded before August 31, 2021).
- Foreign citizens who do not hold Chinese passports must demonstrate to be good natured individuals who have the necessary degrees and language capabilities. In principle the applicant must not be more than 35 years old of age, and must hold a degree that is equivalent to a bachelor's degree from an accredited Chinese university.

According to Section 5 of the Citizenship and Immigration Laws set forth by The Chinese People Republic of China, the individual in consideration cannot have Chinese citizenship if this person has a non-Chinese passport, has both parents who are Chinese foreign residents, or has one parents who is a Chinese foreign resident.

Applicants who were born in China or residents of Hong Kong, Macau, or Taiwan citizenship or those who possess foreign citizenship due to immigration must demonstrate to been in possession of their foreign citizenship for a minimum time of at least four years.

For applicants who fall under either of the two categories mentioned above, please provide documents and relevant material that support your foreign nationality claim.

[Provide documents to confirm foreign nationality]

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residents in China were already in possession of foreign citizenship by the time of birth. This type of applicant should provide the following documents:

- Past ID information of both parents during the applicant's time of birth in photocopy form
- Current ID information of both parents in photocopy form
- Documents certifying the applicant forfeited Chinese citizenship for at least 4 (four) years
- Applicant's birth certificate that proves non-Chinese nationality or acquisition of foreign citizenship
- Applicants who were previously Chinese nationals but have acquired citizenship from another country need to provide:
- Documents certifying that the applicant has successfully acquired foreign citizenship
- Documents certifying the applicant forfeited Chinese citizenship for at least 4 (four) years
- Deactivation of Chinese citizenship that was previously in possession
- Applicants who do not fall under any of the categories above do not have to provide documents certifying their nationality status.

Application Process

To begin your application to Renmin University of China, please access the online application found on the website of the international students office of Renmin University of China and register through the online registration system (http://international.ruc.edu.cn/application)

After successful registration, please fill in the personal information truthfully, upload the application materials and submit them. After submitting, the application form will be generated and printed.

The deadline for completing the Online registration is from November 15, 2020 to April 30, 2021. No application will be accepted after the deadline.

Note:

The electronic photos submitted for online registration must be:

- Taken recently to reflect your current appearance
- Two inches of size
- · Taken in front of a plain white background
- · Taken in full-face view directly facing the camera
- · With a neutral facial expression and both eyes open
- · Taken in clothing that you normally wear on a daily basis
- Uniforms should not be worn in your photo, except religious clothing that is worn daily.
- Do not wear a hat or head covering that obscures the hair or hairline, unless worn daily for a
 religious purpose. Your full face must be visible, and the head covering must not cast any shadows
 on your face.



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Application Materials

- International Student Application Form of Renmin University of China. The application form will be generated automatically after the online registration is completed. Print the application form and sign at the bottom of the form. The application form should be printed clearly. It is forbidden to daub, sketch or damage the application form.
- Proof of the highest diploma (original copy or notarized photocopy in English), or the expected graduation certificate issued by the university for applicants who will get the bachelor's degree or above before August 31, 2021;
- Official transcripts of the highest degree (original copy or notarized photocopy in English);
- Two 2-inch recent passport photos with white background;
- Photocopy of ordinary passport's profile page (passport valid later than March 31, 2022);
- Two letters of recommendation in English including referees' detailed contact information and referees' signature (The recommendation letter must contain the signature of the recommender at the end of the recommendation letter. Applicants who have left the University for a long time and cannot get in touch with the university they were studying in may submit a letter of recommendation issued by the leader in charge of your work unit using the letterhead paper of the recommender)
- Personal statement (at least 1000 words in English, indicating study and working experience, motivation for applying, academic research achievement, study and research plans, career goals, etc);
- Proof of English ability. Applicants should demonstrate strong English skills. If the applicant is a non-native English speaker, IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL 90 must be submitted with the application. This requirement could be waived for applicants who have studied in English at a bachelor's degree level or higher, but should provide the effective English skill test scores).
- Personal CV:
- Foreigner Physical Examination Form; the examination result must be obtained within one month, stating that the applicant has no serious infectious diseases or any diseases which could prevent entry into China (Absence of requested item, personal photo and seal on the photos, signature of physician and official stamp are deemed invalid);
- Copies of a catalogue of published academic articles along with abstracts, awards received or other research outcomes;
- The guarantor's economic capacity certificate
- ① Bank deposit certificate of the applicant (fixed deposit with the deposit amount of more than RMB 30000 and the deposit time limit is after October 2021).
- ② the guarantor's on-the-job income certificate or bank deposit certificate (the on-the-job income certificate must be issued on the company's letterhead paper or fixed deposit with a deposit amount of more than 30000 Yuan and the deposit time limit is after October 2021).;
- Letter of guarantee. The Letter of guarantee template can be downloaded from the website of international student office.
- Certificate of no criminal record (original or notarized copy). Applicants who are currently in China or
 have studied and lived in China must provide a certificate of no criminal record issued by the relevant
 entry-exit departments. Other applicants must provide a certificate of no criminal record issued by the
 public security administration of your country.



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- Copies of other original research (optional);
- Personal video clip (optional).

Notes on Application

- * Once you finish the registration, please don't forget to pay the RMB 800 application fee online, then your application is confirmed. The application fee will not be refunded.
- * All application materials shall be in Chinese/English, and notarized Chinese/English translation shall be provided for texts other than Chinese/English. Documents in other languages shall not be accepted. If the published academic paper is too long to provide translation, Chinese / English search certificate, employment notice or other relevant publication proof materials shall be provided, and the original paper shall be attached; *If the submitted materials are notarized copies, they shall be the original notarized copies, other copies shall not be accepted.
- *All application materials will not be returned once submitted;
- *The school reserves the right to require the applicant to submit relevant supporting materials.

Deadline

The application period is open until April 30, 2021.

Interview

Interviewed by expert group (in English) online.

Application Schedule

Cut-off date for online applications: April 30, 2021

Interview online: From May to June, 2021

Letters of admission sent out: July, 2021

Semester begins: September, 2021

Curriculum Structure

The following specializations are available on the program:

- Chinese Politics
- Chinese Economy
- Chinese Culture
- Chinese Law



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The following is a selection of the available courses

- China Studies and Development
- China Politics
- Investing in China and its Legal Requirement
- Development Studies and Developing Countries
- Seminar on the Belt and Road Initiative
- Seminar on China Studies
- China and Global Governance
- Political Economy of Development
- € Technological Revolution and World Politics
- Chinese Economy Studies: Reform and Policy
- Chinese Language Courses

Duration and Location

The program is two years full-time in Suzhou city, Jiangsu Province of China

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