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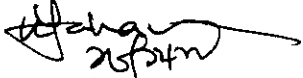
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Youth4South Fellowship এর আওতায় চীনের ৫টি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ে ১ থেকে ২ বছর মেয়াদি মাস্টার্স কোর্সে সরকারি কর্মকর্তাদের কাছ থেকে দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা হয়েছে। প্রার্থীগণ স্ব-স্ব মন্ত্রণালয়/নিয়ন্ত্রণকারী কর্তৃপক্ষকে অবহিত রেখে সংযুক্ত নোটিশের নিয়মানুযায়ী আবেদন করতে পারবেন। আবেদনের শেষ তারিখ ৩১ ডিসেম্বর, ২০১৯। আবেদনের হার্ডকপি (সকল তথ্যসহ) অর্থনৈতিক সম্পর্ক বিভাগের জাতিসংঘ অনুবিভাগে ৩১ ডিসেম্বর ২০১৯এর মধ্যে প্রেরণ করতে হবে। আবেদনের বিষয় বিস্তারিত <http://www.southsouth-galaxy.org/news/call-for-application-youth4south-fellowship-programme-2019> লিংকে পাওয়া যাবে।

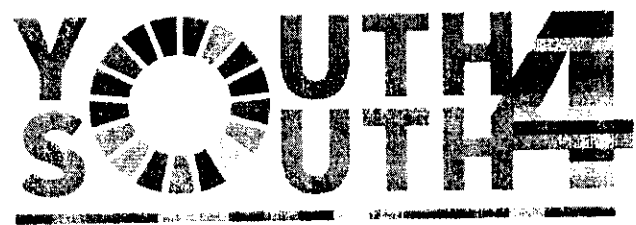
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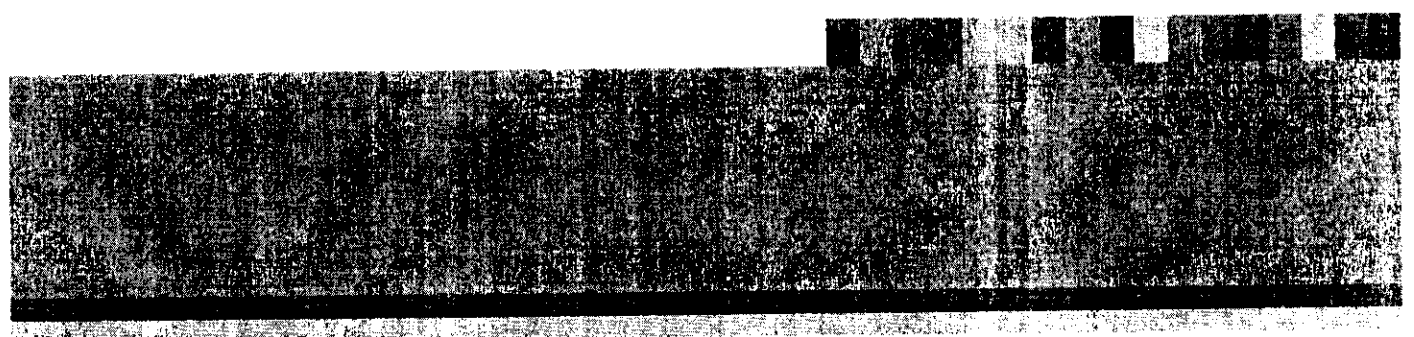


United Nations
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Fellowship

Concept and Guidelines
(2020-2021)



Youth for South Fellowship

Y4S Fellow

Background:

The United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) launched the “**Youth for South: Advanced Youth Leadership Programme**” with several partners including SG Youth Envoy Office, CISSCA, FC-SSC, IFAD, NOREC, UNFPA and the Zayed International Foundation for the Environment in 2017 which aims at facilitating capacity development for established youth leaders from developing countries to learn and adapt South-South and triangular cooperation knowledge and tools in scaling up Southern development solutions with the objective of bringing sustainable development to their home country and local communities.

Youth4South aims to:

- Support the exchange of knowledge and solutions and facilitate mutual learning among young people globally.
- Provide capacity development opportunities for youth leaders so that they can learn, adapt and apply South-South and Triangular Cooperation tools and methods to implement and scale-up sustainable development solutions and projects in their home community, institution and country contexts.
- Provide youth leaders from developing countries accesses to expertise, resources and networks offered by partners of South-South cooperation, to support their efforts in scaling up innovative solutions in promoting sustainable development.
- Promote dialogue between youth and development stakeholders in areas of critical importance to youth such as leadership and empowerment, political participation, skills development, gender equality, and women and youth empowerment.
- Increase youth engagement and participation in global dialogues and discussions including ECOSOC Youth Forum, Global South-South Development Expo, and World Expo 2020.

Youth4South Fellowship:

Under the Youth4South umbrella, UNOSSC and its partners have developed a fellowship component entitled “Youth for South Fellowship” which will provide funded learning, research and professional opportunities relevant to South-South and Triangular Cooperation for young experts from developing countries.

Youth4South Fellowship will offer funded opportunities to qualified young professionals and young scholars to undertake short-term research projects, pursue postgraduate degrees, and participate in exchange and training courses in areas including international affairs, international studies, development studies, public policy, public administration and management, international cooperation and South-South and triangular cooperation, at selected prestigious universities and research/technical institutes.

The Youth4South Fellowship (2020-2021) will be piloted jointly with the Ministry of Education (MOE) of China by providing scholarships to a number of established young professionals and scholars from developing countries. The scholarships will be according to the enrollment at the university or the institute, in line with existing China Scholarship Council (CSC) Chinese Government Scholarship schemes. More details can be found at Chinese Government Scholarship Information System website at (<http://www.csc.edu.cn/studyinchina>). The categories that are supported through Y4S Fellowship are as follows:

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Supported category	Length of enrollment	Length of scholarship	Placement
Masters degree programme	1-2 academic years	1-2 academic years	Select host universities
Research scholars	3-6 months	3-6 months	Select host universities, research and knowledge centers
Exchange and training courses	7-15 days	7-15 days	On demand (with select knowledge and research institutes, universities)

Duties and Responsibilities:

To pilot this initiative, UNOSSC and MOE would jointly recommend 10-15 qualified young fellows from developing countries for admission for academic year 2020-2021 to contribute to knowledge, applied research and policy studies on South-South and triangular cooperation and to scaling-up southern development good practices. The duties and responsibilities for the category stated above will be as follows:

► **Masters degree programme**

Y4S fellows enrolled in the Masters degree programme at selected host universities will be required to complete the entire duration of the programme. They will be enrolled in relevant universities for Masters degree programme related to international affairs, international studies development studies, public policy, public administration and management, international cooperation and South-South and triangular cooperation.

Below is a summary of key deliverables:

- Upon submission of the application, Y4S fellows will have to present their interest in pursuing the Masters degree programme and how they wish to go back to their home country and promote South-South cooperation and scaling up of good practices.
- During the course of the 1-year or 2-year programme, they will submit to UNOSSC progress report every semester (template attached) approved by relevant academic advisor.
- During the course of the 1-year or 2-year programme, they will submit their performance and results every semester to UNOSSC.
- By end of the programme, produce outcome reports with lessons learnt, challenges, opportunities with workplan they foresee in scaling up good practices in their home country and their work context (approximately 25 pages).

► **Research scholars (and visiting scholars)**

The Y4S fellows will be required to engage in research on South-South and triangular cooperation with a thematic focus on one or more areas which include: international development cooperation policy, digital transformation, economic structural transformation, agriculture development, rural transformation, environmental protection, and city-to-city cooperation, South-South trade and investment and etc. Other SDG related areas may be added later.

Below is a summary of key deliverables:

- Upon submission of application, present a research interest and methodology/research outline on a specific South-South cooperation related issues and topics.
- During the course of research for 5-6 months, conduct research or produce knowledge product on the relevant topics, receive trainings and gain relevant professional experiences.
- Submit progress report to UNOSSC.

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- Upon completion of the fellowship, develop a synthesis report/knowledge product, in publishable quality and approved by academic faculty of the University, that will analyze the challenges, lessons learnt, and identify the opportunities in scaling up a specific good practice and recommendations/addressing specific challenges and action plans in their home county and local community.
- Present finding of research or knowledge products at international workshops and forums.

*The application and deliverables are subject to change based on requirements of the host institutes and availability of fund.

► Exchange and Training Courses

The Youth4South Fellowship will also support on demand training requests from young fellows from qualified developing countries. Y4S fellows will be required to participate in trainings organized by UNOSSC and partner agencies. The exchange and training will focus on South-South and triangular cooperation in one or more areas which include: international development cooperation policy, digital transformation, economic structural transformation, agriculture development, rural transformation, environmental protection, and city-to-city cooperation, South-South trade and investment and etc. Other SDG related areas may be added later.

*The application and deliverables are subject to change based on requirements of the host institutes and availability of fund.



Youth4South Fellowship (2020-2021)

Application Guidelines for Masters Degree Programme

Placement:

The Youth4South Fellowship (2020-2021) will be piloting with below partner universities by placement of young professionals and young scholars at their respective degree programmes. The nominated applicant is required to indicate 2 preferences for university and programmes they would like to be considered for in their application package.

No.	University	City	Thematic focus	Degree programme offered for Y4S fellows	Education Background
1	China Agricultural University	Beijing	Agriculture development, public administration and management	Masters of Public policy, public administration and Management	Agriculture, international development, public policy, economics and social science
2	Peking University	Beijing	Economic & structural transformation/ development	Masters of Public Administration (MPA) - National Development	International development, public policy, economics, management and social science
3	Fudan University	Shanghai	Public policy, Digital transformation	Masters in International Public Policy	international development, public policy, economics and social science
4	Tongji University	Shanghai	Environment protection and environment studies	Masters of Science (Msc) or Masters of Engineering	Biology, engineering, chemistry and science
5	Shanghai University of International Business and Economics	Shanghai	International business, development studies and international cooperation	Masters of International Business - International Development Cooperation direction	Economics and management

Key requirements to apply:

- Comply with ALL requirements and terms of MOE Chinese Government Scholarship Program
- Meets other admission requirements of the host universities to which the applicant has applied
- Not a concurrent awardee of a Chinese government scholarship
- Must be a citizen from a developing country. Nationals from LDCs LLDCs SIDs will be prioritized.
- Must be below the age of 35 (exceptions may be accepted with strong justifications on a case by case basis)
- Applicants must be recommended by government authorities, international organizations or inter-governmental organizations

Required Skills and Experience:

Education:

Holder of an undergraduate (bachelors) degree in economics, international development, public policy, public administration, social science or related fields and preferably with strong communication skills is a minimum requirement for China Agricultural University, Peking University, Fudan University

Holder of an undergraduate degree (bachelors) degree or research/professional background in engineering, biology, chemistry is required by Tongji University.

Holder of an undergraduate (bachelors) degree in economics or management is required by Shanghai

University of International Business and Economics.

Language:

- Proficient in English is required. (i.e., must possess an IELTS score of at least 7.0 or a TOEFL score of at least 100 points)
- If proficient in any other languages, please specify
- Proficiency in Chinese will be an asset

* Proficiency in Chinese is required for Masters programme with Shanghai University of International Business and Economics. Applicants who passed Chinese language test HSK level 6 are eligible for the programme. Applicants who passed HSK Level 4 can still be accepted with precondition to take one year Chinese language classes before they start their major.

Work experience:

- At least 2 years of experience in research and/or working in sustainable development, social sciences or related fields is required
- At least 1 year of relevant professional experience in the areas of international development cooperation from respective Ministries/IGOs and Sector/technical cooperation agencies highly preferred
- Work experience may be considered equivalent for fellows with PhD or Masters degree

Application Procedures:

Steps to be followed for completing application are as follows:

Step 1- Applicants complete online application by visiting CGSIS (Chinese Government Scholarship Information System) (Visit <http://www.csc.edu.cn/studyinchina> or <http://www.campuschina.org> and click "Scholarship Application for Students" to log in). Online submission of the application is compulsory for each applicant by completing the application information and uploading all necessary supporting documents.

Step 2- Applicants prepare the application documents according to the "Nomination package" indicated below and upload all the required documents into the online application system as indicated above.

Step 3- Applicants submit the application package together with relevant documents required by hosted universities to UNOSSC, through nominating agency partners, as required before the deadline. UNOSSC will do initial screening of the qualifications of all applicants and provide the list of recommended recipients to the Ministry of Education/China Scholarship Council (MOE/CSC) through the Permanent Mission of China to the UN in New York.

Step 4- Fully recommended applications by nominating agencies, UNOSSC and MOE/CSC will be forwarded to host universities for placements.

Step 5- The CSC will only offer scholarships final applicants who are accepted by host universities. CSC reserves the right to make necessary adjustments to the applicants' host universities.

Nomination Package (List of application documents)

This package should be shared with the "YouthforSouth" Fellowship focal points in UNOSSC by 30 November 2019 by email to youth4south@unosscc.org.

1. Proof of submission to the CSC Chinese Government Scholarship online system.
2. Applicants CVs (with most updated contact information indicated).
3. 2 recommendations are required: one from the nominating agency; the other from the applicant's academic institute.
4. Copy of National Passport valid for the duration of the programme.



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5. Indicate the university and programme of application. (Please ensure the applicant meets the minimum requirements as indicated by the university on their respective webpage).
6. Cover letter/Statement of Purpose from the applicant indicating
 - a. Why he/she is interested in the Youth4South Fellowship program
 - b. Why is he/she interested in the indicated university and programme
 - c. What specific research topics with relate to South-South and triangular cooperation he/she would like to conduct during the course of the programme.
 - d. What specific capacity gaps/needs/questions he/she would like to address.

All nominations should be complete and submitted by an authorized nominating agency (call for nomination will be by invitation only).

Please note, nomination does not guarantee admission, only the nominated applicants who successfully pass the academic qualification review will receive a formal recommendation letter for admission.

Covered expenses:

- "Y4S" Fellowship is a partial scholarship which includes tuition, accommodation, and medical insurance, to support international students to study and conduct research in South-South and triangular cooperation in China in line with MOE general policies and conditions.
- Visa fees will be covered by UNOSSC and MOE
- Economy class airfare will be provided for participants for one round trip between China and the partner country on need basis.
- Final decision and interpretation are at the discretion of UNOSSC, MOE/CSC and host universities.

* UNOSSC and CSC reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to change and modify these Terms, and terminate the project. The covered expenses are subject to availability of funds.

Provisional Timeline:

Note: This timeline is for admission in September 2020.

September – November 2019	Applicants complete application at CSC Chinese Government Scholarship online system, and submit complete application packages to UNOSSC through nominating agency
December 2019	UNOSSC conduct initial screening and share list of recommended recipients with MOE/CSC through the Permanent Mission of China to the UN
February 2020	UNOSSC and CSC share the final list of recipients with host universities for placement
March-April 2020	Fellows placements are completed after agreement between UNOSSC, CSC and universities
May-July 2020	Final selected applicants are notified by CSC and host universities of their scholarships and admission
August 2020	Y4S fellows complete necessary registration and procedures for coming to China
September 2020	Y4S fellows arrive in China and begin their fellowship study at the respective university or institute



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