

2026 Global Talents Program Application Guide:

English-Taught Master's Program for International Students

Renmin University of China (RUC) focuses on cultivating talent in global development and governance, and has established the *Global Talents Program*. The program offers four distinct categories: China Studies, Global Affairs, Finance & Management, and Fundamental Disciplines, and is open to international students worldwide. Instruction is primarily conducted in English. The program provides six months to one year of free basic Chinese language training, alongside theoretical and practical courses, designed to enhance students' professional competencies and overall competitiveness.

I. Application Qualifications

Applicants should:

1. NOT have Chinese nationality; Hold a valid ordinary passport;
2. Be physically and mentally healthy; Be friendly to China; Not have criminal record;
3. Have acquired a bachelor degree or above;
4. Have a good command of English: a valid IELTS Academic overall score of 6.0 or above, or a valid TOEFL iBT overall score of 90 or above. Applicants who are native English speakers, or who have completed or are pursuing a degree where the medium of instruction is English, are not required to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores.
5. Be subject to the additional nationality regulations of Ministry of Education of People's Republic of China.

II. Programs, Majors and Tuition Fees

For details on programs, majors and tuition fees, please refer to the *2026 Global Talents Program List*

(<http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/docs/2025-11/a1727633e2f84d10af979c692ac57bd2.pdf>).

III. Application Schedule (GMT+8)

Online Application: November 25, 2025 - May 31, 2026

Qualification Review: November 26, 2025 - June 10, 2026

School Review: January- June 2026

Admission: March - July 2026

Notes:

a. Applicants applying the **Chinese Government Scholarship (Type B: High-level Program)** must complete the application in RUC Application System **by February 15, 2026 (GMT+8). The deadline for the qualification review is February 27, 2026.**

b. International Students Office (ISO) of RUC will review the application materials during the qualification review period. Applicants who do not pass the preliminary online review shall resubmit the application materials before the deadline of qualification review. Late application will not be accepted after the deadline.

IV. Application Procedure

1. Online Application

Applicants must log in to the International Students Application System of Renmin University of China (<http://international.ruc.edu.cn/application>) by May 31, 2026 (GMT+8), fill in the application information authentically, upload the application materials and pay the application fee online in the system. The application fee is CNY 800. The application fee will not be refunded.

2. Qualification Review

RUC will review the applicants' information and materials in the application system. Applicants who do not pass the online preliminary review should re-upload the related information or documents in time within qualification review period.

3. School Review

After the qualification review, the school will review the application documents. Applicants will get the interview notice if the check of the application documents is

approved.

4. Admission and Enrollment

The university will publish the admission results from March to July, 2026. Students should bring the admission documents including admission notice for onsite registration in late August or early September, 2026 to the university. The university will re-check the applicants' information and documents after onsite registration. If there were any violations or fraudulent situation found, the university will turn down the admission.

V. Application Documents

All application documents shall be in Chinese or English, documents in languages other than Chinese or English must be accompanied by notarized Chinese or English translations.

1. Valid Passport Identification Page

The applicants must hold an ordinary passport. The validity of the passport must be later than March 31, 2027. If the applicants are currently in China, please provide the visa page.

Notes:

- a. The university does not accept applicants who hold the following documents to apply as international students: *Travel Permit of the People's Republic of China, Exit Entry Permit of the People's Republic of China, Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macao Residents, Mainland Travel Permit for Taiwan Residents, Residence Permit for Hong Kong, Macao/Taiwan Residents of the People's Republic of China*, etc.
- b. Applicants are not allowed to change the passport or personal information from the date of application until 3 months after onsite registration. The personal information includes name, gender, date of birth, nationality, passport number, and etc. If it was unavoidable to change their passport or personal information due to extremely special circumstances or force majeure, a written application should be submitted to the university for the consent from the university. If the identity documents and personal

information submitted by the applicants did not match the personal information provided during the application and admission process, the university will turn down the enrollment procedures.

2. Final Education Certificate

Applicants who have graduated should submit the final education certificate, which must be officially certified by authorities such as the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE) or through the Apostille process. Applicants who are in their final year of study should initially provide an official Certificate of Expected Graduation (the expected date of graduation must be no later than August 31, 2026), and must submit the formal academic documents prior to enrollment.

3. Transcript

Transcript must include a list of all completed courses up to graduating year. If the score is not in centesimal system, an explanation of the grading scale is needed.

4. English Proficiency Certificate

The valid IELTS Academic overall score of 6.0 or above, or a valid TOEFL iBT overall score of 90 or above. Applicants who are native English speakers, or who have completed or are pursuing a degree where the medium of instruction is English, are not required to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores.

5. Personal Statement and Study Plan

The personal statement and the study plan shall be written in English. It provides an opportunity for students to present their including personal study and work experience, academic research achievements, research plans, career planning after graduation, etc.

6. Two Recommendation Letters

Two recommendation letters from two professors or associate professors written in Chinese or English are mandatory. The recommendation letters must contain the signature, name, position, department, e-mail, and other information of the recommender of the referee.

7. Statement of Guarantee

The template of *the State of Guarantee* can be downloaded from the website of the International Students Office (<http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/ENGLISH/Download/App1>

icationDocuments/index.htm). The *Statement of Guarantee* should be signed by the economic guarantor.

8. Proof of Economic Capability (choose one of the following)

- a. The Employment & Income Certificate of the applicant or the guarantor.
- b. The Bank deposit of applicant or the guarantor should be no less than CNY 30,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent).

9. Certificate of No Criminal Record

- a. Applicants who are currently not reside in Chinese mainland should offer the certificate issued by the local public security department.
- b. Applicants who are currently reside in Chinese mainland should offer the certificate issued by entry and exit administration departments of China.

10. Foreigner Physical Examination Form

The Foreigner Physical Examination Form should be the original document in English or Chinese. The template of *Foreigner Physical Examination Form* can be downloaded on the website of International Students Office (<http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/ENGLISH/Download/ApplicationDocuments/index.htm>). The applicants should go to local authentic hospital for physical examination in strict accordance with the items specified in the *Foreigner Physical Examination Form*. A physical examination form missing items, photo, cross-page seal, signature of the doctor, and the seal of the hospital is considered invalid. The validity of *The Foreigner Physical Examination Form* is 6 months.

11. Nationality Proof

According to the *Nationality Law of the People's Republic of China* and the *Letter No.12 [2020] of the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China*, some applicants shall provide additional materials as *National Proof Documents*.

12. Other Supporting Documents

Published academic papers, awards or other research results may be attached if necessary.

VI. Duration and Campus

The basic duration of all the programs is two years. According to the university charter, our institution operates across three campuses: the Zhongguancun Campus, the Tongzhou Campus, and the Suzhou Campus.

VII. Scholarship Application

1. Chinese Government Scholarship Type A: Bilateral Program

The applicants should first apply to the dispatching authorities for overseas study of their home country, such as Chinese embassies and consulates abroad or other organizations. Applicants should log in to the Chinese Government Scholarship Information System (<https://studyinchina.csc.edu.cn>), and fill out the application form and choose Type A. The first choice of the university should be Renmin University of China.

The dispatching authorities will send the application information to the university to decide whether the application can be approved by qualification and interview.

2. Chinese Government Scholarship Type B: High-level Program and Silk Road Program

The applicants should apply to both the university and the Chinese Scholarship Council at the same time while applying for the master program. Applicants should log in the Chinese Government Scholarship Information System (<https://studyinchina.csc.edu.cn>) and fill out the application form by choosing Type B, High-level Program or Silk Road Program. Agency number of Renmin University of China is 10002. The final name list will be issued by the China Scholarship Council. For detailed application requirements and procedures, please refer to the application guide of each scholarship program.

3. International Confucian Association Scholarship

The application requirements and procedure will be further notified.

4. Beijing Government Scholarship

The application requirements and procedure will be further notified.

VIII. Insurance

China's Ministry of Education requires international students to purchase and maintain comprehensive insurance. The university will not register any student without a valid insurance. For more information, please refer to the website:

<http://www.lxbx.net>

IX. Housing

The housing office will provide the Room Reservation Form to the enrolled student including living condition and booking procedure. Housing office can be reached by Telephone number: 86-10-62511395; Email: LGIA@ruc.edu.cn.

If they live off campus, please make sure to get the Temporary Accommodation Registration at the nearest police station within 24 hours according to the Chinese law.

X. Visa

Enrolled students must apply for the X1 visa with the admission notice and *Confirmation Form for Study in China* (JW201/202 Form) to the Chinese embassies and consulates abroad, and transfer the X1 visa to the Residence Permit within 30 days after arriving in China.

XI. Implementation

1.The admission of international students at our university is carried out by the International Students Office under the guidance of the University Admission Committee.

2.The International Students Office of Renmin University of China holds the sole authority to provide the final interpretation of this application guide. Should there be any adjustments to the admission policies, the most updated information released by the university shall prevail.

XII. Contacts

International Students Office:

Official Website: <http://iso.ruc.edu.cn>

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Tel: 86-10-62512698

Addresses:

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No.59 Zhongguancun Street, Haidian District, Beijing, China

Room 342, Student Affairs Center, Renmin University of China (Tongzhou Campus),
No.37 Yunhedong Street, Tongzhou District, Beijing, China