2027 Global Talents Program Application Guide:

Ph.D. in Global Communication

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.

The program offers an English-taught doctoral program: Ph.D. in Global Communication.

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. Hold a master's degree or higher from an institution recognized by the Chinese Ministry of Education;
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 (for tests taken before January 21, 2026) / 4.5 or above (for tests taken on or after January 21, 2026), or a Cambridge English C1 Advanced score of 180 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 English proficiency certificate;
5. Be subject to the additional nationality regulations of Ministry of Education of People's Republic of China.

II. Program Overview and Tuition Fees

For detailed program information, please refer to the link:

http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/docs/2026-11/09524799c1d145748e701455a2a0ac8c.pdf

Tuition fees are CNY 84,000 per academic year.

III. Application Schedule (GMT+8)

Online Application:

First Round: November 5, 2026, 00:00 – January 15, 2027, 17:00

Second Round: February 15, 2027, 00:00 – April 30, 2027, 17:00

Qualification Review:

First Round: November 5, 2026, 00:00 – January 31, 2027, 17:00

Second Round: February 15, 2027, 00:00 – May 15, 2027, 17:00

School Review: December 2026 – June 2027

Admission: March – July 2027

Notes:

Applicants applying for the **Chinese Government Scholarship (Type B: High-level Program)** must complete the application in RUC Application System during the First Round.

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*) before the deadline of the applied round, 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. If the system displays the status "Application Information to be revised" after submission, the applicant must supplement or revise the materials and resubmit them

via the application system before the qualification review deadline of the respective round. Late submissions will not be accepted.

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 release admission results from March to July, 2027. Students who are officially admitted to our university can download the electronic admission letter via the application system.

The university will re-check the applicant's 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. Please read the ***RUC International Student Application Guide*** carefully before submitting your application.

1. Valid Passport Identification Page

The applicant must hold an ordinary passport. The validity of the passport must be later than March 31, 2028. If the applicant is currently in China, please provide the valid residence permit or 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, Hong Kong/Macao Special Administrative Region Passport, 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.

*Excluding the *Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macao Residents (non-Chinese Citizens)*

b. Applicant is 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, etc. If it was unavoidable to change your 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 applicant did not match the personal information provided during the application and admission process, the university will turn down the enrollment procedures.

2. Certificate of Highest Degree

Applicants who have graduated should submit the certificate of highest degree, which must be officially certified by authorities such as the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE) or through the Apostille process.

Applicants who have obtained a master's degree from a higher education institution in Chinese Mainland must submit a degree authentication report from the China Higher Education Student Information (CHSI) website.

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 September 1, 2027), 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 (for tests taken before January 21, 2026) / 4.5 or above (for tests taken on or after January 21, 2026), or a Cambridge English C1 Advanced score of 180 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 the English proficiency certificate.

5. Personal Statement

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

6. Two Recommendation Letters

In principle, letters of recommendation must be issued and signed by a professor or associate professor (or an expert with an equivalent professional technical title). The recommendation letters must contain the signature, name, position, department, e-mail, and other information of the recommender.

7. Statement of Guarantee

The template of *the Statement of Guarantee* can be downloaded from the website of the International Students Office *(http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/ENGLISH/Download/ApplicationDocuments/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 do not reside in Chinese mainland should offer the certificate issued by the local public security department.

b. Applicants who 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 qualified 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 is 4 years. According to the university charter, our institution has two campuses in Beijing: the Zhongguancun Campus and the Tongzhou 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.The final result will be notified by the relevant dispatching authority in the applicant's home country.

2. Chinese Government Scholarship Type B

The applicants should apply to both the university and the Chinese Scholarship Council at the same time while applying for the doctoral 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 program arrangements and the scholarship evaluation results shall be subject to the official approval of the China Scholarship Council (CSC).

3. Beijing Government Scholarship

Beijing Government Scholarship established by the People's Government of Beijing Municipality, supports excellent international students to study or conduct research at universities in Beijing. The application requirements and procedure will be further notified.

VIII. Insurance

China's Ministry of Education requires international students to purchase and maintain medical 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

Given limited on-campus dormitory capacity, accommodation applications are subject to online booking. Detailed procedures are available in the email notice sent prior to enrollment. Students unsuccessful in booking on-campus accommodation shall arrange off-campus lodging on their own.

For enquiries, please call +86-10-62511395 or email LGIA@ruc.edu.cn.

According to relevant Chinese laws and regulations, new students living off campus must complete accommodation registration with the local public security authority within 24 hours of check-in.

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

Email: admission@ruc.edu.cn

Tel: 86-10-62512698(Weekdays: 8:00–11:30, 14:00–17:00)

Addresses:

Room 108, International Cultural Exchange Center, Renmin University of China, No.59 Zhongguancun Street, Haidian District, Beijing, China

Room 234, Student Affairs Center, Renmin University of China (Tongzhou Campus), No.37 Yunhedong Street, Tongzhou District, Beijing, China

School of Journalism and Communication:

Official Website: http://jcr.ruc.edu.cn/English/index.htm

Email: 20240100@ruc.edu.cn

Tel: 86-10-62516860(Weekdays: 8:00–11:30, 14:00–17:00)

Addresses:Room 503, Mingde Journalism Building, Renmin University of China,No.59 Zhongguancun Street, Haidian District, Beijing, China