

Part I: Introduction

The Alliance of International Science Organizations (ANSO) is a non-profit, non-governmental international organization founded in 2018. Founding members include 37 scientific institutions, universities, and international organizations worldwide. ANSO aims to improve regional and global capacity in science and technology, human livelihoods and wellbeing, and to promote broader S&T cooperation and communication.

The ANSO Scholarship for Young Talents (hereinafter referred to as the ANSO Scholarship) was formally launched in 2019 with the goal of training and cultivation of young scientists from all over the world. The ANSO Scholarship supports 200 Master's students and 300 PhD students every year to pursue postgraduate education at the University of Science and Technology of China (USTC), the University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS) or institutes of Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) around China.

Currently, CAS, the leading founding member of ANSO, is the sponsor of the ANSO Scholarship. ANSO welcomes all members and parties who are interested in creating a more diversified scholarship program together.

Part II: Coverage

- Tuition waiver
- Monthly stipend:
 - Master's: 3000 CNY/month, up to 36 months;
 - PhD: 6000 or 7000 CNY/month (depending on whether he/she has passed the qualification test arranged by USTC/UCAS), up to 48 months
- Health insurance
- Application fee waiver
- Travel subsidy from their home countries to China (one trip per person)

Any scholarship awardee on site in China, the host country, at the time of application will NOT be eligible for any travel subsidy.

Awardees are required to finish centralized training in Chinese language, Chinese culture and all required credits as well as practical research and completion of degree thesis at colleges and schools of USTC/UCAS or CAS institutes.

Any master's awardee who fails annual assessments will face the consequences including:

- Termination of his/her scholarship;
- Discontinuity of his/her master's study;
- Being provided with a certificate of attendance for the period of study undertaken in China but not a formal master's degree.

Any PhD awardee who fails the qualification test or annual assessment will face the consequences including:

- Termination of his/her scholarship;
- Discontinuity of his/her doctoral study;
- Being provided with a certificate of attendance for the period of study undertaken in China but not a formal doctoral degree.

All the awardees are required to abide by Chinese laws and USTC/UCAS regulations and rules.

Part III: Eligibility

Eligible applicants must:

- Not hold Chinese citizenship;
- Be proficient in English or Chinese;
- For master's program applicants: be born after 1st January 1992 (inclusive);
For PhD program applicants: be born after 1st January 1987 (inclusive);
- Meet the admission criteria for international students of USTC/UCAS;
- Not take up other assignments during the period of his/her scholarship.

Note:

- If you are currently pursuing a master's degree at any university/institution in China, you are NOT eligible for the master's program of this scholarship. If you are currently pursuing a doctoral degree at any university/institution in China, you are NOT eligible for the PhD program of this scholarship. Otherwise, you will be disqualified from admission and the situation will be reported to your current university/institution.
- You are **NOT** allowed to apply for the ANSO Scholarship in both USTC and UCAS simultaneously, otherwise you will be disqualified from admission.

Part IV: Application Procedure

The ANSO Scholarship is open for application on 1st November 2021 (The exact dates might be slightly different for USTC and UCAS, please check their websites for details). From this year on, it is not mandatory for both USTC and UCAS applicants to find host supervisors before application.

1. Application Materials

For USTC applicants, please refer to Application Guideline for Graduate Applicants to USTC ([here](#))

For UCAS applicants, please refer to the Call for 2022 Doctoral Programs for International Students and the Call for 2022 Master's Programs for International Students ([here](#))

2. Application Portal

File and submit your application in the USTC/UCAS admission system as requested before deadline. Choose “the ANSO Scholarship for Young Talents” in your application.

To USTC admission system portal: [here](#)

To UCAS admission system portal: [here](#)

Deadline for Applicants and Referees:

31st March 2022 (Beijing Time)

Part V: Other Information

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