

# 2023 Chinese Government Scholarship – Auditing Master Program in Nanjing Audit University, China

# **Enrollment Information**

The course is a 2-year program and the enrollment time is at the beginning of September, 2023. Enrollment opportunity is open for **ONE candidate**.

# 1. About the program General Information

The Chinese Government Scholarship Auditing Master Program (CGSAMP) mainly funds the auditors or audit-related professionals from respective Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) and audit-related departments of developing countries with a bachelor degree, adequate working experiences in auditing, as well as a good command of English proficiency, both in spoken and written English. The Program aims to cultivate high-level, inter- disciplinary and application-oriented audit professionals, who possess good professionalism, a strong sense of work ethics, a systematic command of knowledge and techniques in modern government audit and relevant fields, the ability to make sound audit judgment and solve practical audit problems. Nanjing Audit University has undertaken the training of the Chinese Government Audit Scholarship Program since 2016, and has accumulated rich experience, good resources and conditions for running the program.

#### About the Applicants

This Program mainly funds the auditors or auditing-related working staff from respective SAIs of the developing countries with a bachelor's degree before application and a certain amount of work experience in auditing.

#### **Cultivation Objectives**

The Program aims to cultivate the high-level, inter-disciplinary and application-oriented audit professionals, who possess good professionalism, a strong sense of work ethics, a systematic

command of knowledge and techniques in modern national audit and relevant fields, the ability to solve practical audit problems and sound audit competency.

# 2. Criteria for Application

2023 Chinese Government Scholarship Auditing Master Program is intended for auditors or auditing-related working staff from respective SAIs of developing countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and South Pacific Region. Applicants should meet up with the following requirements:

1. Applicants should be non-Chinese citizens from developing countries who are below 45 years old (born after September 1st, 1978).

2. Applicants should be in good physical and mental health. The health certificate or the physical examination form issued by local public hospital is required. They should not carry any entry-forbidden diseases in accordance with the Chinese laws and regulations. No serious hypertension, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer and other severe chronic diseases, mental illness or other diseases that might cause massive infection and severe harm to public health; not in a major surgery recovery phase or acute disease ictal phases, no serious physical disability. In accordance with relevant regulations, females that are pregnant will not be admitted, and the scholarship will be discontinued when the females get pregnant in the process of study.

3. Applicants are supposed to have bachelor's degree or degrees above bachelor's degree and the work experience of at least 3 years.

4. Priorities will be given to applicants who are involved in the work or study related to audit.

5. Priorities will be given to applicants who are government officials ranked as or above section chiefs in their home countries, who are senior managers of various institutions or enterprises, who are academic backbones of higher educational and research institutions.

6. Applicants should have a good command of English which enables them to learn the courses taught in English (Reference: IELTS 6.0 or above, TOFEL 80 or above or other English test certificates with similar level).

7. Applicants should have career development potential in the relevant field and be willing to promote the friendly exchange and cooperation between their home countries and China.

8. Those who are currently studying in China or admitted by other Chinese Government Scholarship programs are not allowed to apply for this program.

#### **3. Application Documents**

# Please get the following documents ready before you start your application:

1. Recommendation Letter from Institutions: The recommendation letter issued by the institution with which the applicant works should include introducing the applicant and expressing the willingness to recommend the applicant to study in China. Applicants recommended by SAIs should present the recommendation letter from Head of SAIs. Priorities will be given to those applicants with recommendation letters written by Head of SAIs.

2. Recommendation Letter from Professionals. The letter should be written by professionals with the title of associate professor or higher. The letter should focus on academic qualification, major field of study, achievement and research ability.

3. Photocopies of Diploma or Certificate: "Graduation Certificate" and "Certificate of Degree" of your most advanced studies.

4. Photocopy of Academic Transcript of your most advanced studies.

5. Resume: Please specify your personal experience, academic experience after high school, and work experience.

6. Statement of purpose: Please specify your personal plan and purpose of studying the related major in China.

7. Study or research plan: Please specify the goals of study and research to be accomplished during the study in China.

8. Photocopy of the private passport: the photocopy of the information page of the passport, which clearly shows the photo, the name and the passport number. Do NOT use the diplomatic passport or the official passport.

9. Photocopy of the language proficiency certificate: the transcript or certificate of English language proficiency tests such as TOFEL or GRE etc., which is required of applicants from non-English-speaking countries.

10. Two 2-inch bareheaded photos in white background that are taken within 3 months before application.

11. Physical Examination Record for Foreigner: the physical examination record which is done within 1 month before application, which proves that the applicant does not carry any serious infectious diseases, the disability that affects the study, or any entry-forbidden diseases in accordance with the Chinese laws and regulations.

#### 4. Financial Aid

1. After admission, the students do not have to pay for the tuition fee, textbooks and learning materials, the research and field trips, the subsidies for developing the English-taught program, the graduation thesis guidance fee.

2. A free room on campus will be provided to the students.

3. The standard for living allowance is RMB 3,000 yuan per person per month from the registered month till August 2025, which will be paid to the students on a monthly basis by Nanjing Audit University.

4. The students will be provided with comprehensive medical insurance in China.

5. The scholarship also covers a flight ticket for a student to come to China at enrollment and a flight ticket for a student to go back to their home country at graduation.

6. An annual review will be conducted for each student, and those who pass the annual review can continue their studies with the support of the scholarship.

7. The remaining part of the scholarship will be utilized by CSC or Nanjing Audit University according to an overall plan and will not be distributed to students. CSC only sponsors the students who graduate within the program duration. The students who have to postpone their studies due to various reasons will not be further funded.

#### 5. About Nanjing Audit University About the Program Implementing Units

#### 1. School of International Exchange (SIE)

The School of International Exchange of Nanjing Audit University caters to international students and aims to promote cross-cultural exchange among Chinese and foreign students, cultivating international talents who are familiar with Chinese culture and committed to the common development of countries around the world. SIE shoulders responsibilities of recruiting all-leveled qualified candidates for China Government Scholarship, specialized scholarships sponsored by different Chinese ministries, Jiangsu Provincial Scholarship, Nanjing Municipal Scholarship, and Nanjing Audit University International Students Scholarship. With the focus on the brand-major of auditing, the scholarships are available for both undergraduates and postgraduates in 15 different

majors, such as auditing, accounting, economics, international trade, etc. SIE is in charge of the strategic planning of international students' affairs of NAU, the students' enrollment issues and daily administration.

#### 2. School of Government Audit (SGA)

The School of Government Auditing (SGA) is positioned to cultivate multi-level high-quality auditing professionals, build an auditing theory research base, and create a senior think tank to serve national governance and regional economic development. SGA innovatively selects and hires outstanding teachers as master's supervisors of auditing majors throughout the university, there are 5 doctoral supervisors, 90 master's supervisors, 5 second-level professors, 2 "Excellent Talents of the New Century" from the Ministry of Education, 3 "High-end Accounting Academic Talents" from the Ministry of Finance, 8 "333 High-level Talents Training Project" from Jiangsu Province, 6 academic leaders from the "Youth and Blue Project" of Jiangsu Province, 7 excellent young backbone teachers of "Youth and Blue Project" in colleges and universities in Jiangsu Province, 1 excellent teaching team of "Youth and Blue Project", 1 special professor in Jiangsu Province, 4 high-level talents of "Six Talent Summits" in Jiangsu Province, 11 scholars are among the top 100 most influential scholars in auditing disciplines in China, and the "Auditing Postgraduate Tutor Team" was nominated the "Top 10 Tutor Team" in Jiangsu Province.

#### 6. About the Living Environment and Accommodation Conditions

Nanjing, abbreviated as "Ning" and known as Jinling in ancient times, is the capital of Jiangsu Province. It is a sub-provincial city, a mega-city, the core city of Nanjing metropolitan area. It is also an important central city in the eastern region of China, an important national scientific research and education base and a comprehensive transportation hub as determined by the State Council. Nanjing is located in the eastern part of China, downstream of the Yangtze River, near the river and the sea, and is an important gateway city of the Yangtze River Delta radiating and driving the development of the central and western regions, as well as an important node city of the strategic intersection of the eastern coastal economic belt and the Yangtze River economic belt, as planned by the State Council. Nanjing is a hilly area, dominated by low hills and gentle hills, with a humid north subtropical climate and a water area of more than 11%. It is one of the first national historical and cultural cities, an important birthplace of Chinese civilization, and has long been the political, economic and cultural center of southern China. Nanjing has a humid climate with four distinct seasons and a moderate price level, the annual average temperature is 15.4 °C. It is a suitable place to live in. Nanjing Audit University provides single rooms on Pukou Campus for CGSAMP students. Each room is equipped with an air-conditioner, a refrigerator, a washing machine, a washroom, shower facilities, wireless network access, etc. A shared kitchenette is available on each floor of the building. Apart from dormitories and canteens, there are sports playgrounds, clinic, post office, convenience stores, hair salon, laundry shop, printing shops, etc. There are public buses and taxis available right outside of the school gate, and it takes less than 10 minutes' bus ride to the center of the local downtown. There are banks, supermarkets, restaurants, hospitals and city metros available in the district community.

# 7. About the Teaching Arrangements *Course Settings*

The CGSAMP Program students are required to attain 50 credits to fulfill the requirements of degree application. The course system is composed of seven modules, namely, compulsory basic courses, specialty core courses (for degree), general knowledge courses, selective courses, international conferences and academic lectures, practice and internship, and degree thesis.

- Basic course: 19 credits, compulsory.
- Specialty core courses (for degree): 17 credits, compulsory.
- Selective courses: 7 credits at least.
- International conference and academic lectures: 1 credit, compulsory. Students are required to attend at least international conferences or academic lectures 6 times. Relevant academic reports are required to be submitted to tutors and the administrative body.
- Practice and internship: 3 credits, compulsory. Simulation laboratories will be the main sites for the international students' practice arena. Case study, scenario simulation, visits Chinese auditing institutions, seminar with auditing practitioners will also be integrated into this part.
  3 credits will be granted upon a decent report on practice and internship.
- Degree thesis: 3 credits, a compulsory part for graduation and the degree application.

#### **Degree Thesis**

Degree thesis should be closely linked with national auditing practice and reflect students' competency in applying audit and related discipline theory, knowledge and methodology to analyze and solve practical problem. It can be written in the form of an academic research report, a policy research report, a monographic study, or a case analysis. Whatever the form of the thesis, it should reflect the students' capability in applying basic theories and professional knowledge to solve practical issues. Both Chinese and English languages are all accepted in writing the thesis, while the abstract is required to be written in Chinese. International students are required to stay in China in the 4th semester to complete their thesis writing as well as the internship. In case of materials and data needed from home countries for the thesis writing, this should be done during the summer or winter vacation. The Thesis defense must be taken in Nanjing Audit University upon gaining all the required credits. The form of thesis defense is to be decided by the related cultivating departments. The Thesis Defense Committee would include some experts with professional posts in the audit practice field. Three credits will be granted to a successful defense.

# Degree Conferring

According to Nanjing Audit University CGSAMP Program Education Plan, the students are required to: finish all the required courses and gain the required credits, write a degree thesis in topics related to audit and pass the thesis defense, and pass the International Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK Level

3). Having attained all the credits, passed the thesis defense, and met the requirements listed in the Regulations on Academic Degrees of the People's Republic of China, candidates need to file an application for the degree. Candidates are to be conferred the Master of Auditing at the approval of the University's Academic Degree Evaluation Committee.