

2017 APSA Full Scholarship Application (D.C)

Congrats! You're Taking the First Step to Becoming an APSA Scholar

The APSA China Scholars program is a transformative experience, not only will it enhance your Chinese language skills but you will be immersed in the local culture, meet American professionals living abroad, visit a range of multi-national companies, explore historic sites and engage with local non-profits undertaking community development projects.

Throughout the program you will take part in leadership training sessions and professional development workshops that are designed to challenge your existing skills, strengthen your cross-cultural understanding and broaden your global perspective. Each APSA Scholar is unique and contributes to the program by being open-minded and willing to take on new challenges.

In applying for the Full Scholarship to participate in the APSA China Scholars Program (worth \$5000 USD) you are taking the first step towards growing your skills and abilities as a leader. Do your best to tell us who you are, what you are passionate about and why you want to be an APSA Scholar.

Once you've successfully completed the online application your information will be reviewed by the APSA Selection Committee. You will be notified if your application will move on to the interview phase. If your application is not accepted we encourage you to enhance your application and reapply next year or continue to seek other opportunities to study abroad. Successful applicants will receive our detailed program information package which will walk you through the next steps.

Please ensure that you have reviewed the [APPLICATION PROCESS](#) on our website and are prepared to fill in all sections of the application to the best of your ability.

Thank you for applying.

We look forward to reviewing your application.

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Please Prepare Your Application

In order for APSA to process your application, you must complete every question.

You can edit or change your application until applications close.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Please review the application process and package carefully before submitting your application.

All details are available on the APSA website.

APSA APPLICATION PROCESS

Full Scholarships are limited to students that meet all of the following requirements:

1.Successful completion of APSA's Application process

- Online Application: Personal information, Parent/Guardian Information, Transcript, 2 Essays**
- Interview & References: Complete online interview, submit finance form and 2 character references**

2.Demonstrate a financial need

3.Currently enrolled in a public high school

4.Hold a GPA of 3.0 and /or +80% attendance rate*

5.Lack access to college and career readiness resources

6.Show an interest in learning Chinese**

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Are you ready to Submit your Application?

* 1. I have reviewed the application questions on the APSA website and have prepared my answers for this application:

☐ yes

☐ no

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Applicant Contact Information

Please provide all required contact information. We will use this to contact you and send important documents during the selection process and upon acceptance.

2. How did you hear about the APSA Partial Scholarship?

* 3. Student - Contact Information

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Mailing Address

City / Town

State

ZIP Code

Email

Mobile Number


Home Phone Number

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Parent / Guardian Contact Information

This is an important section to fill out correctly, your Parent / Guardian will be contacted during the application process. Please make sure that you provide accurate information.

* 4. Parent / Guardian Information

| | |
|--|---|
| First Name | <input type="text"/> |
| Last Name | <input type="text"/> |
| Relationship (ie. Mother, Father) | <input type="text"/> |
| Address | <input type="text"/> |
| City/Town | <input type="text"/> |
| State | <input type="text" value="-- select state --"/>  |
| ZIP Code | <input type="text"/> |
| Country | <input type="text"/> |
| Email Address | <input type="text"/> |
| Phone Number | <input type="text"/> |

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Personal Information

We want to know more about you, where you go to school and what activities you are currently involved in.

* 5. What is your Gender?

- ☐ Male
☐ Female

* 6. How old are you?

- ☐ 15
☐ 16
☐ 17
☐ Other (please specify)

* 7. When is your Birthday?

Date of Birth MM DD YYYY
 / /

* 8. Were you born in the US?

- ☐ Yes
☐ If no, please specify where you were born.

* 9. Which High School do you attend?

* 10. What grade are you in?

☐ 9

☐ 10

☐ 11

☐ 12

☐ Other (please specify)

* 11. Have you ever travelled or studied abroad before?

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 12. Do you currently have a valid passport?

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 13. What is your current Grade Point Average (G.P.A)?

Please attach a copy of your transcript below.

☐ 3.0

☐ 3.5

☐ 4.0

☐ Other (please specify)

* 14. What is your current attendance rate?

☐ less than 80%

☐ more than 80%

15. Please upload a copy of your transcript demonstrating your current GPA & attendance rate

If you have trouble attaching your transcript, please email a copy to: applications@apsaglobal.org

Choose File

No file chosen

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Personal Information

* 16. Which types of extracurricular activities do you participate in currently?(If you do not, please write none)

Sports Teams / Clubs:

School Clubs:

Community Service /
Volunteer Work:

Dance / Music / Drama /
Art:

Other:

* 17. Write a short Biography (100 - 200 words. Include your name, age, where you are from, your school and any awards/accomplishments you have)

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Chinese Language Level

Tell us about your current Chinese level or interest in learning Chinese.

* 18. Are you currently enrolled in Chinese classes at your high school?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ I was in the past
- ☐ Never

* 19. What is your current level of Chinese?

| | No Experience | Beginner | Intermediate | Advanced |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Reading | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Writing | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Listening | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Speaking | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

* 20. Do you speak Chinese at home?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ If you speak another language at home please specify:

21. Tell us why you want to study Chinese?

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Essay Topic 1: What does global citizenship mean to you?

APSA believes that Global Citizenship is a necessary mindset that will prepare today's youth to face new challenges in an increasingly globalized and interconnected world. We believe that future leaders will need to embody the values of inclusion, peace and diversity and be someone who;

- Is aware of the wider world through first-hand experiences
- Has a sense of their role as an American and world citizen
- Believes that all children and young people have a right to a global education.
- Takes action to make the world more equitable
- Lives and promotes a sustainable and peaceful way of life

In your essay, express your view and ideas on global citizenship. Do you think it is important? You can also tell us what you believe good leadership is and what skills are necessary for global leaders to have today and in the future.

Maximum 500 words

* 22. Essay Topic 1: Global Citizenship Essay

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Essay Topic 2: Why do you want to be an APSA Scholar?

The APSA Program prepares students for the new globalized workplace by giving them an internationally aware head start in their careers. APSA Scholars learn a foreign language, develop cross-cultural awareness and connect with global professionals and multi-national companies that are making a meaningful impact on the world today.

We look for students who wish to:

- Gain exposure to professional change-makers working in a range of exciting careers**
- Navigate and explore key historical sites in one of the world's most vibrant cities**
- Experience living and studying on an international university campus**
- Develop confidence using Mandarin and immerse in local Chinese culture**
- Belong to a community of over 400 alumni located both stateside and abroad**
- Learn about the world through valuable first-hand experience**

Share why you would be an excellent APSA Scholar. You can include; what you want to learn from the experience, why you want to study in China, what you are passionate about, skills you have to contribute, your future goals, how the APSA program will benefit you or why we should select you to become an APSA Scholar.

Maximum 800 words

* 23. Essay Topic 2: Why I should be an APSA Scholar

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Congratulations on completing your Scholarship Application

Your application is now on its way to our APSA Selection Committee for careful consideration. You will be notified by January 15th if your application will move on to the second phase of the application process.

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