

**Request Reference: 3319**

FOI Request dated 14/01/2025 -

*I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the China Scholarship Council (CSC) scholarship applications over the past three academic years:*

- 1. The total number of applicants who applied for the CSC scholarship through your university in each of the past three academic years.*
- 2. The number of applicants who met the eligibility criteria for the CSC scholarship in each of those years.*
- 3. A breakdown by faculty/school of how many applicants were nominated by each faculty/school for university-level consideration.*
- 4. The total number of candidates the university nominated to the CSC in each year, including a breakdown by faculty/school.*
- 5. The number of candidates who were ultimately awarded the CSC scholarship, with a breakdown by faculty/school, for each year.*

**Response**

Please see data below.

Please note in relation to the breakdown of students by faculty/school, that under section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act, 2000 (FoIA), the University declines to release data in its raw form in instances where that data could allow for individuals to be identified. Where this is the case, we have adopted the [Higher Education Statistics Agency \(HESA\) rounding methodology](#) for protecting personal data from unauthorised exposure.

In particular, we have applied the following rules to the data provided:

- We have rounded numbers to the nearest 5 and where figures are low, we have used <5 to represent this

As personal data, disclosure of this information into the public domain would mean compromising individuals' personal data and the University breaching its obligations under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act, 2018. Consequently, the exemption for personal data under section 40 (2) of the FoIA (by virtue of section 40 (3)) has been applied. This states that personal data (as defined by section 5(1)(a) of the UK GDPR) are exempt from disclosure where disclosure to the public would contravene one or more of the data protection principles.

|                                                                                                      | 2022/23 | 2023/24 | 2024/25 |
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| <b>The total number of applicants who applied for the CSC scholarship through University of Hull</b> | 30      | 30      | 20      |

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| <b>The number of applicants who met the eligibility criteria for the CSC scholarship</b> | 10 | 15 | 10 |
|                                                                                          |    |    |    |
| <b>No. of applicants nominated for for university-level consideration FBLP</b>           | 5  | <5 | 5  |
| <b>No. of applicants nominated for for university-level consideration FACE</b>           | 0  | 0  | <5 |
| <b>No. of applicants nominated for for university-level consideration FoSE</b>           | <5 | 10 | <5 |
| <b>No. of applicants nominated for for university-level consideration EEI</b>            | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| <b>No. of applicants nominated for for university-level consideration FHS</b>            | <5 | <5 | 0  |
|                                                                                          |    |    |    |
| <b>No. of candidates the university nominated to the CSC FBLP</b>                        | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| <b>No. of candidates the university nominated to the CSC FACE</b>                        | 0  | 0  | <5 |
| <b>No. of candidates the university nominated to the CSC FoSE</b>                        | 0  | <5 | <5 |
| <b>No. of candidates the university nominated to the CSC FHS</b>                         | <5 | <5 | 0  |
| <b>No. of candidates the university nominated to the CSC EEI</b>                         | <5 | <5 | <5 |
|                                                                                          |    |    |    |
| <b>No. of candidates who were awarded the CSC scholarship FBLP</b>                       | 0  | <5 | <5 |
| <b>No. of candidates who were awarded the CSC scholarship FACE</b>                       | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| <b>No. of candidates who were awarded the CSC scholarship FoSE</b>                       | 0  | <5 | <5 |
| <b>No. of candidates who were awarded the CSC scholarship FHS</b>                        | <5 | <5 | 0  |
| <b>No. of candidates who were awarded the CSC scholarship EEI</b>                        | <5 | <5 | 0  |