



China Scholarship Council – University Maastricht

PhD Programme Application form 2024

Basic information

- To be filled in by the prospective UM supervisors -

Topic: Effects of Chinese aid and investment on international migration decisions in Africa (and specifically migration to China)

This PhD will investigate the effects of receiving Chinese aid and investment on international migration decisions in different African countries and comparatively across African countries. The focus will be on how Chinese aid and investment affect both the aspirations and capabilities to migrate internationally and specifically to China. This thesis will use mixed methods to better understand both migration aspirations and capabilities. For the quantitative component, we will combine georeferenced data on projects financed by the Chinese government with household surveys, individual surveys or census reporting information about migration. It is also expected that the PhD candidate will complement the quantitative data analysis with qualitative interviews and possibly focus groups to better explore the underlying decision making process related to the decision to migrate.

1. Information on prospective UM supervisors and Promotor

1a. First Supervisor/promoter:

- Title(s), initial(s), first name, surname: Prof. dr. Melissa Siegel
- Research group: UNU-MERIT (Migration Studies)
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1b. Second Supervisor/copromoter:

- Title(s), initial(s), first name, surname: Dr. Bruno Martorano
- Research group: UNU-MERIT (Social Protection)
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- E-mail: bruno.martorano@maastrichtuniversity.nl

2. Information on UM Faculty/ Department/ Institute/ School contact person:

When the application is granted by both the CSC and UM, the contact person is responsible for the practical arrangements of the integration of the PhD candidate:

- Initial(s), first name, surname: Micheline Goedhuys
- Research group: UNU-MERIT (head of PhD Program)
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- Telephone:
- E-mail: goedhuys@merit.unu.edu

- To be filled in by the applicant if already known -

1. Information on the applicant

- Initial(s), first name, surname:
- Male/female:
- Current work/study address:

- E-mail:
- Private address:

2. Details of applicant's home university

Note! A separate letter of recommendation by the supervisor or faculty dean of the home university is required.

- Name of home university:
- Address:
- E-mail:
- Website (if available):

3. Applicant's home university Master Thesis supervisor:

- Title(s), initial(s), first name, surname:
- Address for correspondence:
- E-mail:

4. Research field(s)

5. Title of research plan for CSC-UM PhD Programme

6. Short summary of research plan (max. 250 words) (A full plan must be submitted later)

Background:

Study objective:

Expected Results:

Requirements:

Group's performance: Publications: ; H-Index: ; number of citations, but also statements of recognition of the team or the team members.

7. Motivation for CSC-UM PhD application (max. 250 words)

Two separate letters are required, one from the student and one from the promotion team.

Applicant's Curriculum Vitae

8. Personal details

Applicant

- Title(s), initial(s), first name, surname:

CSC-UM PhD programme start 1-9-2024

- Surname:

- Nationality: **Chinese**

- Date of Birth:

- Country and place of birth:

9. Master's degree (if applicable)

Note! Add a copy of your Master's degree to your application

University:

Faculty/discipline:

City and country:

Date:

Grade average:

Title Master's thesis (if applicable):

Thesis grade: