

General conditions for co-funding of Danish PhD projects from the Danish SDC office, 2021

Prior to commencement

The co-funding for the SDC PhD project must be spent to cover salary and any additional expenses related to a newly employed PhD student.

The total funding for the full employment of the PhD student must be provided before enrolment of the PhD student.

Chinese citizens are not eligible for PhD positions with co-funding from the Danish SDC office: According to the Partnership agreement between UCAS and the Danish Universities, PhD students from China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao) must be enrolled through UCAS.

If the PhD position is advertised, it must be stated that Chinese citizens including citizens from Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao are not eligible for the position.

PhD projects with co-funding from the Danish SDC office must have a duration of 3 years (The Danish SDC office does not co-fund PhD projects within the 4+4 or 3+5 scheme)

Commencement

The PhD student must start his/her employment no later than December 31st in the grant year.

The PhD student must apply for admission at UCAS within one month after enrolment at the Danish university.

The PhD student must if possible participate in start-up activities in Denmark (will take place every year in November/December) arranged by the Danish SDC office.

During the period of employment, the PhD student must spend time in China according to the table below and contribute to the educational activities of the Master's programmes at SDC, Beijing.

Co-funding from the SDC office	Minimum stay in China
550.000 DKK	Six months

1.100.000 DKK	Nine months
1.650.000 DKK	Twelve months

The PhD student must pursue a double degree according to the rules and regulations of the Danish university, UCAS and SDC which include passing a Chinese language and Culture course.

Any substantial changes to the PhD project (e.g. change of Danish or Chinese supervisor, change of academic scope, leaves of absence, etc.) must be reported to and in some cases approved by the Danish SDC office.

All expenses related to leave of absence of any kind (incl. maternity and paternity leaves, sick leave, etc.) must be solely covered by the home university.

Disbursement of the PhD funding

The grant will be paid out in instalments of 550.000 DKK per year upon receipt of an electronic invoice.

Conclusion or discontinuation

In case of discontinuation the Danish SDC office must be informed immediately and a proportionate part of the SDC co-funding must be returned to the Danish SDC office based on a calculation of the length of the actual employment period.

After the PhD degree has been granted, documentation must be sent to the Danish SDC office.

Affiliation

The PhD student must state their home university as their first affiliation and "Sino-Danish College (SDC), University of Chinese Academy of Sciences" as their second affiliation on all academic publications, including the PhD dissertation.