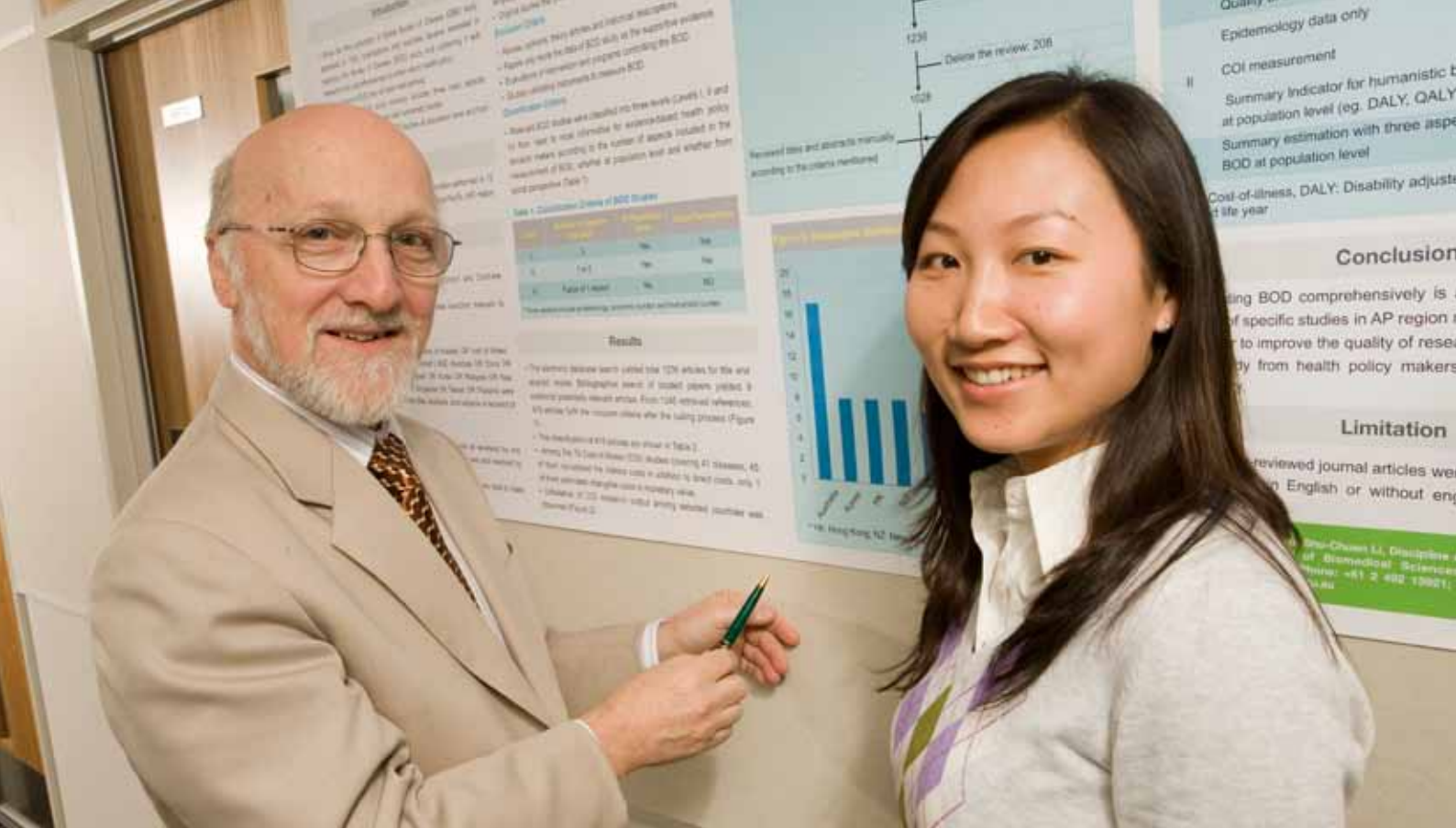




THE UNIVERSITY OF
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PHD SCHOLARSHIPS: CHINA

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE, AUSTRALIA AND THE CHINA SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL (CSC) ARE COLLABORATING TO OFFER PHD SCHOLARSHIPS TO HIGH-PERFORMING CHINESE CANDIDATES.



Professor John Rostas with research candidate Feili Zhao. Professor Rostas has published more than 100 scientific papers in peer-reviewed international journals, supervised 14 postgraduate research candidates, 8 postdoctoral research fellows and has developed one patent.

The University of Newcastle is a progressive international university and one of Australia's leading research institutions, ranked 9th nationally for publicly funded research outcomes. Our research strengths are concentrated in the areas of health, energy and the environment, and science and engineering.

In collaboration with the China Scholarship Council (CSC), the University of Newcastle is offering 50 tuition fee scholarships each year to outstanding PhD candidates from the People's Republic of China. These scholarships outline the close relationship that the University has with the CSC and further reinforce the depth of the University's commitment to enhancing the research opportunities for high-calibre Chinese candidates.

Under this unique collaboration, candidates from top ranking Chinese Universities are welcome to apply for places as PhD candidates and will be considered for scholarships that include the costs of:

- All tuition fees and research fees
- An annual living allowance (set by the CSC)
- Return airfare from China to Australia
- Visa fees plus Overseas Student Health Cover for the duration of the course (up to four years.) This is included in the CSC living allowance.

Successful candidates are provided with a dedicated workspace and a University laptop computer with a standard suite of software including Microsoft Office, multi-media, academic and anti-virus software.

Candidates will be able to apply for annual funding of AUD1500 for research related activities, including conference attendance or other activities related to improving their research outcomes.

Successful candidates will also have access to the full range of benefits of our many outstanding facilities and services, including:

- Cutting-edge research and laboratory facilities
- A peer mentoring program for new research candidates
- Access to four modern and comprehensive libraries
- Award winning buildings
- A state-of-the-art sporting complex as well as shops and cafes all set within a natural bushland campus.

The Office of Graduate Studies

The Office of Graduate Studies provides a consolidated university focus on postgraduate studies and is responsible for:

- candidature, rules and regulations;
- enrolment and re-enrolment;
- research scholarship administration;
- academic progress reporting coordination;
- variations to research candidature (eg. leave of absence, transfer of program, topic, supervisor or School); and
- submission and examination of thesis.



Emeritus Professor of Chemical Engineering, Terry Wall and research candidate Wei Xie. Professor Wall has published over 200 research papers in international journals and supervised more than 50 research candidates.

The University of Newcastle offers PhD research across our five Faculties, including:

- Faculty of Business and Law
- Faculty of Education and Arts
- Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment
- Faculty of Health
- Faculty of Science and Information Technology

Driving the University's research efforts are 12 Priority Research Centres in Australia, including:

- Advanced Particle Processing
- Bioinformatics, Biomarker Discovery and Information-Based Medicine
- Complex Dynamic Systems and Control
- Energy
- Geotechnical and Materials Modelling
- Organic Electronics
- Asthma and Respiratory Diseases
- Brain and Mental Health Research
- Computer Assisted Mathematics and its Applications
- Gender, Health and Ageing
- Health Behaviour
- Reproductive Science

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply for a joint scholarship, candidates will need to meet the criteria listed below:

- You must be a citizen and permanent resident of the People's Republic of China, at the time of application
- You must not be currently working abroad or studying abroad
- You must fulfil all the academic entry requirements set by the University of Newcastle, Australia, including English language entry requirements
- You must fulfil all the requirements of the CSC
- You should be intending to pursue a PhD in one of the priority academic areas identified by CSC or one of those identified by the University of Newcastle, Australia.

Applications close **1st February 2010** and scholarships will be awarded jointly by the University and the CSC in June of 2010.

HOW TO APPLY FOR COMMENCEMENT IN 2010 AND 2011

The University's rolling enrolment system allows research candidates to begin their PhD studies at any time of the year.

The University of Newcastle Research Higher Degree application form is available online at www.newcastle.edu.au/students/international/our-programs/how-to-apply

Documentation to support your application should also include:

- A research proposal identifying the area and nature of your intended research
- An academic resume (noting all academic awards, research publications and citations)
- Translated transcripts of Undergraduate and Postgraduate degrees
- English language test results (IELTS or TOEFL)

*Please note on your application form that you will be applying for a CSC scholarship

To view a copy of the University's English Proficiency Policy visit:
www.newcastle.edu.au/policy/000104.html

Find an academic supervisor:

Candidates can use the university's online resources available on our website to assist them to find an available supervisor. The Web Access Research Portal (WARP) can be found at: www.newcastle.edu.au/service/research-performance/warp/ and the Voluntary Register of Supervisors can be accessed at: www.newcastle.edu.au/students/research-higher-degree/supervision/voluntary-register.html

The University recommends that candidates contact an academic to discuss potential supervision prior to submitting an application form.

Candidates who are successful in their application will receive a letter of offer for a place in the Research program in Newcastle.

Once the candidate has the letter of offer, they will be able to apply to the CSC for the CSC component of the scholarship (<http://apply.csc.edu.cn/csc/main/person/login/index.jsf>). The CSC application process will usually begin in late February of each year and is only open for a maximum of 30 days.



QUESTIONS AND ENQUIRIES

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