Adjustments of CSC scholarships 2019

Background

KI has been informed of adjustment of the scholarship levels by the China Scholarship Council, CSC. The levels are increased from January 2019, coming in effect with a retroactive payment in April 2019.

According to information from the Chinese Embassy in Stockholm, the amounts have been increased as follows.

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<th>Level</th>
<th>CSC scholarship 2018, SEK / month</th>
<th>CSC scholarship 2019, SEK / month</th>
<th>Change SEK / month</th>
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<td>Postdoctoral fellow</td>
<td>13 000</td>
<td>15 000</td>
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<td>Doctoral student</td>
<td>12 000</td>
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Administrative measures

Increased CSC scholarship means that the supplementary funding from KI, in the form of a KI scholarship, should be reduced by the corresponding amount. Consequently, the scholarship decisions for the recipients concerned must be rewritten.

According to KI's scholarship rules, scholarships that have already been paid out cannot be retracted. KI, however, can adjust future payments of scholarships if the scholarship recipient approves the change.

Approval can be obtained by (1) the head of department inform the scholarship recipients concerned about the reduction and (2) the scholars accept the change through signing a new scholarship decision. It is very important that the scholarship recipient is made aware of that the total remuneration level from the two scholarships still follows the doctoral ladder (doktorandstegen), and that the total sum per month is the same as before. If the scholarship recipient does not accept the reduction, please contact the negotiating unit (förhandlingsenheten).

The new decisions must be rewritten as soon as possible and send in to the salary administration no later than the 10th of May. The short notice is due to that KI just now received official information from CSC.

Note that the payment for postdoctoral fellows takes place half-yearly and the decision must be re-written before the next payment.

If the fellow has received a supplementary employment instead of a scholarship, please contact the negotiating unit, HR-department.