

Guidance for Talent Visa (R) Application

China Talent Visa (R)

Chinese talent visa, namely the R visa is issued to those who are high-end talents or whose skills are urgently needed in China. Usually they could get a multiple-entry talent visa with validity of five years, and the duration of each stay can be as long as 180 days.

Who Count as High-end Talents?

Here we list major types of talents qualifying for the China talent visa but not all of them.

1. Those who have been selected to join China's talents introduction programs accredited by talents management authorities.
2. Those who are internationally known as high-end experts in a certain field, such as Nobel Laureates and academician (or members of national academies).
3. Associate Professors or Associate Researchers and above employed by Institutions of Higher Education.
4. Outstanding foreign youth talents with post-doctor positions in China.

How to Apply for Talent Visa (R)?

Domestic employment units shall assist the applicants to apply a *Confirmation Letter for High Level Foreign Talents* from the Tianjin Municipal Science and Technology Bureau (TMSTB). Then submit the *Confirmation Letter for High-end Foreign Talents* and other documents according to the requirements of the Chinese embassy, consulate or Chinese Visa Application Service Center (CAVASC)

How to Apply for Confirmation Letter for High-end Foreign Talents?

The materials and process of applying for the *Confirmation Letter for High-end Foreign Talents* are as follows:

	Documents Necessary	Requirements	Note
1	《外国高端人才确认函申请表》 Application Form for Confirmation Letter for High-end Foreign Talents	Apply online (https://fuwu.most.gov.cn/lhgzweb/).	Assistance from the school is necessary.
2	国内单位邀请函/项目合同/协议复印件 Copy of Invitation letter/Project		Assistance from the school is necessary.

	contract/Agreement		
3	符合《天津市外籍高层次人才认定标准》的证明材料 Professional title certificate,/Evidence of High-end Foreign Expert	The official documents should be provided.	Assistance from the school is necessary.
4	护照个人信息页彩色复印件 Color copy of passport about personal information page		
5	申请人6个月内正面免冠照片(电子版) Electronic photo	2-inch passport photo taken within 6 months (JPG format).	
6	外国人才承诺书承诺书(详见附件1) Commitment for High-level Foreign Talent	Appendix 1	Assistance from the school is necessary.
7	无犯罪承诺书(详见附件2) Non Criminal Pledge	Appendix 2	Assistance from the school is necessary.
8	被邀请人对天津市相关防疫措施知情书(详见附件3) Letter of the Invitee's Informed of Relevant Epidemic Prevention Measures of Tianjin	Appendix 3	Assistance from the school is necessary.
9	非中文材料需附上中文翻译件	A copy of Chinese version is necessary	Assistance from the school is necessary.

Things to Know after Entering China

Those who will stay in China over 180 days each time should apply for a **Foreigner's Work Permit** from TMSTB and **Residence Permit** from Entry-Exit Administration of Tianjin Public Security Bureau (Entry-Exit Administration of TPS) with the assistance of the employment units.

How to Apply for Foreigner's Work Permit and Residence Permit

1. Residence Registration Card

Foreigners should complete their residence registration within 24 hours after entry into China in the local police station. (Those who live in hotels which may help with such connection can do the registration at the hotels.)

Please prepare documents listed below and submit them to your school. Staff in your school shall assist you to get the *Residence Registration Card*.

	Documents Necessary	Requirements	Note
1	Application Form for Residence Registration Card		Assistance from the school is necessary.
2	Passport	Both the original document and a copy should be provided.	
3	Electronic photo	2-inch passport photo	

2. Physical Examination

Please bring the documents listed below to do the examination in the morning on an empty stomach in Tianjin International Travel Health Care Center. The School shall provide assistance when necessary. The examination report can be obtained within two weekdays.

	Documents Necessary	Requirements
1	Passport	Both the original document and a copy should be provided.
2	3 photos	2-inch passport photo
3	Examination fee: Around RMB 600	
Location of the Examination Center: Tianjin International Travel Health Care Center, 2-1126, No. 2 Tanggu Xingang Rd, Binhai New Area, Tianjin (天津国际旅行卫生保健中心/塘沽新港 2 号路 2-1126)		
Tel: 86-22-66706315 86-22-66706317 Work time: 8:30 am-11:00 am, Monday to Friday		

3. Foreigner's Work Permit

Please prepare documents listed below and submit them to your School. Staff in your School shall assist you to get the *Foreigner's Work Permit*.

	Documents Necessary	Requirements	Note
1	《外国人工作许可证申请表》 Application Form for Foreigner's Work Permit	Apply online (https://fuwu.most.gov.cn/lhgzweb/)	Assistance from the school is necessary.
2	有效体检报告 Valid Physical Examination Report	The original document should be provided.	
3	合同 Contract and the Chinese version	Details of work, payment, time span, position should be included with applicant's signature.	
4	护照信息页 Passport page	Photo page, visa page and Customs Stamp page stamp	
5	电子照片 Electronic photo	2-inch passport photo	
6	随行家属材料 Required documents for family member	1. Passport 2. Physical Examination Report (above 18 years of age) 3. Copy of Marriage Certificate or Birth Certificate and their Chinese version	
7	60 岁以上人员材料 Required documents for foreigners above 60 years of age	1. Health Guarantee Letter 2. Copy of Health Insurance Proof	Assistance from the school is necessary.

Location of TMSTB: Second Floor ,Tianjin Human Resources Development Service Center, China, No.58 Jiulong Rd, Hexi District, Tianjin (中国天津人力资源开发服务中心二楼/河西区九龙路58号)

[Tel:86-22-23269359](tel:86-22-23269359) Work Time: 8:30-12:00, 14:00-17:30, Monday to Friday

4. Residence Permit

The Residence Permit should be applied from the Entry-Exit Administration of TPS before the expiration date of R visa. Please prepare documents listed below and submit them to your School. Staff in your School shall assist you to get the *Residence Permit*.

	Documents Necessary	Requirements	Note
1	天津市外籍教师、留学生签证、居留许可申请表 Foreign Expert/Student Visa/Residence Permit Application Form		Assistance from the school is necessary.
2	外国人签证、居留许可申请表(附件4) Visa/Stay Permit/Residence Permit Application Form (Appendix 4)	Please fill in Category 1-4 and paste the photo (2-inch passport photo in white background).	Assistance from the school is necessary.
3	境外人员住宿登记备查卡原件及复印件 Residence Registration Card	Both the original document and a copy should be provided.	
4	有效护照原件 Valid passport	The original document should be provided.	
5	《外国人工作许可证》原件和复印件 Foreigner's Work Permit	Both the original and a copy should be provided.	
6	高层次人才证明 Professional title certificate,/Evidence of High-end Foreign Expert	The official documents should be provided.	Assistance from the school is necessary.
7	随行家属材料 Required documents for family members	1. Foreign Expert/Student Visa/Residence Permit Application Form 2. Take a photo in the Entry-Exit Administration 3. Original documents of the passport and Physical Examination Report, copy of Residence Registration Card and Marriage certificate or birth certificate, and the Chinese version	

		<p>If family members entered with S2 Visa, the Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate, or other relationship certificates need to be authenticated by the Chinese Embassies/Consulates.</p> <p>If entered with S1 Visa, the authentication is exempted.</p>
8	<p>Applicants should go to Entry-Exit Administration of TPS to submit required documents in person, take a photo, and be interviewed.</p>	
9	<p>Please provide the evidence</p>	
<p>Location of Entry-Exit Administration of TPS: No. 19, Shouan Street, Hebei District, Tianjin 河北区寿安街 19 号 Tel:86-22-24458825</p> <p>Work Time: 9am-17pm from Monday to Thursday, 9am-16pm on Friday</p> <p>Fees: 400 RMB for one year or less; 800 RMB for more than one year</p>		