2017 Taiwan Tech Trek (TTT)

[Program Introduction & Background]

- Provide summer-term internship for overseas Taiwanese youth as an incentive to build connection with industries in Taiwan
- An opportunity for overseas Taiwanese youth to learn more about Taiwan then speak out for Taiwan in international occasion

[Application Qualification for Foreign Intern]

- Must be overseas Taiwanese
- Aged between $18 \sim 30$ (birth date between 01, Jan. $1987 \sim 31$, Dec. 1999)
- Must have not received any formal education in Taiwan beyond elementary school (including American school or any other foreign schools in Taiwan)
- Must complete at least the first two years of university/college education in a foreign country
- Must have not previously accepted full-time employment in Taiwan (internship not included)
- Must be able to communicate in one of the following languages: English, Mandarin, or Taiwanese
- The application is not limited to students. Participant who is not student but do have ROC nationality may cause military service.
- Interns who have attended Taiwan Tech Trek previously can apply again; however, the internship employer prefer to select interns who attend for the first time.

[Application Qualification for Domestic Intern]

- Aged between $18 \sim 30$ (birth date between 01, Jan. $1987 \sim 31$, Dec. 1999)
- Must have participated in MOST (formerly known as NSC) College Student Research Project during 2012~2016. [2012~2016 科技部(前國科會)大專學生專題研究計畫]
- Must fluent English, especially in speaking and reading. Meet one of the following minimum requirements: high-intermediate level of listening and reading on GEPT, 79 on TOEFL iBT, a 6.0 on IELTS, or 750 on TOEIC
- Interns who have attended Taiwan Tech Trek previously can apply again; however, the internship employer prefer to select interns who attend for the first time.

[Internship Period]

- Group activity period : 22, July ~ 25, July (Optional)
- Internship period : 01, June ~ 15, September, 2017 (Interns can select to fulfill their internships in 4-7 weeks)
- If intern would like to have an early start or a late finish of your internship, please ask for your internship employer's permission. MOST do not provide subsidy during the extra period. Regarding to the extra period of internship, interns have to contact their internship employers by themselves.

[Group Activity : Explore Taiwan]

Group activity gives interns opportunity to learn more about Taiwan during the four-day group activity. During the period, we arrange activities, including technical lectures, cultural lectures, industry and company visits, etc.

[Limitation of Internship Quota]

200 ~ 280 interns in total, including 3~20 domestic interns

[Internship Category]

- Individual internship (only for foreign interns): interns can select to complete their internships in government departments, research institutions, private companies or non-profit organizations.
- Group research project (for both foreign interns and domestic interns): The purpose of the group research project is to analyze the development of future technology in Taiwan and other related concepts. There will be 4~8 interns in a group; each group must consist of both foreign and domestic interns. (Every four interns should have at least 1 domestic intern)

Subsidy

- Internship subsidy: Internship employer gives interns a subsidy of NT\$600 per day according to the related regulations.
- Transportation subsidy for foreign interns: A transportation subsidy of NT\$10,000 will be given to interns by internship employers according to the related regulations.
- Internship subsidy will not be provided during the four-day group activity. If interns leave the group activity earlier and back to internship, the subsidy will not be provided either.

[Accommodation]

Interns will be responsible for the required fee (electricity bill and Internet access fee, etc.) and the arrangement of their accommodation during internship. If interns stay in the accommodation provided by the internship employer, interns have to follow all the regulations.

(Visa)

- Please select visa free entry first if the duration of stay of visa free entry can cover your stay in Taiwan. However, when the duration of stay is expired, request for extension in Taiwan or the other kinds of visa won't be approved. Please contact the Taipei representative office for visa free related regulations.
- An eVisa can be obtained easily at low cost. Applicants can apply for an eVisa and pay the required fee(if applicable) online, and if the application is approved, the applicant also receives the eVisa online. The validity is three months without exception, the longest duration of stay is thirty days and extension is not allowed. (The original visa on arrival applied to people invited from the government are replaced with eVisa.)
- For interns who don't possess passport from Taiwan, MOST will send an admission letter to Ministry of Foreign Affairs to ask for a single-entry visitor visa with validity of three months and duration of a ninety-day stay. Interns will have to apply to the Taipei Representative Office in their consular district

on their own and mark "Taiwan Tech Trek intern", interns can obtain their visa after the authorization from the Taipei Representative is completed. The application is estimated to be opened in May.

• For further information, please visit Bureau of Consular Affairs

[Registration]

- Time: 13, February ~ 10, March, 2017
- Taiwan Teck Trek only accept online registration and all the required documents should be electronic files. Please contact ROC embassies in your country if you need help with online registration.
- Interns can select three ideal internships when registering online according to the description provided by the internship employer. If interns choose to do their internship in an institution where their third-degree relatives work, interns will have to fill in relevant information when selecting. (Third-degree relatives include parents, brother or sister, grandparents and uncle or aunt)

[Documents]

- Identity documents: Foreign interns please provide copy of valid passport; copy of driver's license should be provided if you do not have a passport. Domestic interns please provide copy of identification card.
- Please provide a copy of student ID card if you are a student
- Transcript of academic record from the first semester to the lastest one
- CV
- Individual photo within 3 months
- Added documents including awards, certificates, recommendation letters, etc are optional. (Please merge all the documents into one PDF)

[Notice]

- Taiwan Tech Trek Office strongly suggest interns take out a travel insurance (including medical insurance and accident insurance)
- Interns with critical illness or specific morbidity please consider carefully before applying for Taiwan Tech Trek. If accident happens during the program, interns will be responsible for all the medical fee, and Taiwan Tech Trek Office have the right to stop interns from attending further activities. Taiwan Tech Trek Office will also inform interns' relatives in Taiwan about the situation.

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Note: Please carefully read all the instructions before applying for 2017 Taiwan Tech trek.