

Ministry of Education
Taiwan Scholarship Program 2015
(For Malaysian Students only)

- I. In an effort to encourage outstanding international students (excluding students from Mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau) to undertake degree studies in Taiwan so as to familiarize themselves with the academic environment in Taiwan and promote communication, understanding and friendship between Taiwan and countries around the world, the Ministry of Education (MOE) establishes the following guidelines for the Taiwan Scholarship Program.
- II. The MOE awards outstanding international students undertaking undergraduate and postgraduate studies in Taiwan by awarding each recipient of the Taiwan scholarship the following:
- (i) Tuition and payment of academic fees, including credit fee. Tuition and academic fees do not include any of the following: administration fees, thesis advising fees, insurance premiums, accommodation, internet access, all of which are payable by the recipients.
 - (ii) Subsistence allowance: The MOE offers each recipient undertaking undergraduate studies a monthly stipend of NTD15,000; it offers each recipient undertaking postgraduate studies a monthly stipend of NTD20,000.
- III. Duration of Scholarships:
- (i) The maximum period of each scholarship is four years for undergraduate programs, two years for master programs, and four years for doctorate programs. The maximum length of the total awards for each recipient undertaking a combination of studies is five years.

- (ii) Annual award periods begin on September 1st and continue until August 31st of the following year. Recipients must arrive in Taiwan and enroll at their admitting universities/colleges within this period unless delays have been approved by the relevant institutions and the MOE. If recipients fail to arrive in Taiwan for registration during this period, their award will be revoked with no deferrals.
- (iii) Subsistence allowances begin from the month of the recipients' registration at the universities/colleges and end when the award period expires or upon the recipients' graduation, withdrawal, suspension, expulsion, or revocation of the scholarship.

IV. Eligibility:

- (i) Applicants must be a Malaysian with a high-school diploma or post-secondary degree(s), with an excellent academic record, and be of good moral character.
- (ii) **Applicants are ineligible if they meet the following criteria:**
 1. Are R.O.C. nationals or overseas Chinese students
 2. Are already registered or have obtained student status at any university/college in Taiwan. Graduating students pursuing further studies are exempt from this rule.
 3. Have already studied in Taiwan for the same level of degree as the one in which they currently intend to enroll.
 4. Are exchange or dual/joint degree students admitted in accordance with academic cooperation agreements between local universities/colleges and international universities/colleges.
 5. Have been a recipient of the Taiwan Scholarship for over a total of five years.
 6. Have had, in the past, their Taiwan Scholarship or Huayu Enrichment Scholarship from the MOE revoked.

7. Are recipients of any other scholarship or subsidy offered by the Taiwan government or education institutions in Taiwan. This excludes subsidies offered by universities/colleges to cover tuition and other fees exceeding the scholarship limit.
 - (iii) Applicants should apply directly for admission within the deadlines specified by each university/college listed in the “Association of Taiwan Scholarship Program Schools” (see Appendix 1). Applications for admission outside of the universities/colleges participating in the Taiwan Scholarship Program are automatically disqualified and all application materials will not be returned.
- V. Applicants need to submit the following documents to Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia before March 31st, 2015.
- (i) Taiwan Scholarship Application Form
 - (ii) A copy of the applicant’s passport
 - (iii) A copy of the highest degree and academic transcripts, and the provisions in Subparagraph 2 of Paragraph 1 of Article 7 of the MOE Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan shall be complied with. Documents in a language other than Chinese or English must be translated into Chinese or English and the translated documents must be authenticated.
 - (iv) A copy of admission application materials to universities/colleges in Taiwan (e.g., copies of application fee remittance, application form, receipt of application from universities/colleges, e-mails, etc.)
 - (v) A copy of a language proficiency certificate.:
 1. For applications to not all-English programs:

Since Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL) has taken effect in Malaysia, a copy of the TOCFL results or certificate of Level 3 or above shall be submitted. Other test results or documents shall not be accepted.

Please check the website below for further information:

<http://www.mtec.fcu.edu.tw/main.php> or <http://www.sc-top.org.tw/>

2. For applications to all-English programs, the test results or certificate may be exempted by submission of TOEFL test scores or other English language proficiency exam documents or an English program diploma recognized by the Malaysian government. Applicants to all-English programs shall be recognized by the MOE. If not, the applicant shall directly obtain his/her all-English program document authorized by the applying school (not units on campus) from the applying university/college.
 - (vi) Two reference letters from principals, professors or supervisors, signed and sealed in envelopes.
 - (vi) Other documents required by Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia (if necessary)
 - (vii) Send the application documents by registered mail to the following address:

Education Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia
(Taiwan Scholarship 2015)
Level 7, Menara Yayasan Tun Razak,
200, Jalan Bukit Bintang, 55100 Kuala Lumpur.
Tel: 03-2162 3228 / 03-2161 4439 ext 153 / 135

VI. Transfer:

- (i) After studying for a semester at a university/college, a recipient is allowed to transfer once to another university/college/department listed in the “Association of Taiwan Scholarship Program Schools” during the course of a degree program, if the pertinent educational institutions approve this request.

- (ii) Recipients that wish to transfer to a different degree program at another university/college/department/graduate school, must re-apply their scholarship to Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia.
- (iii) When applying for a transfer, the original university/college must notify the recipient and its transferring university/college of the recipient's scholarship type, award period and transfer date. The transferring university/college must notify the recipient and the original university/college that it agrees to the transfer date. Both universities/colleges must send copies of the transfer to the MOE and the Education Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia.

VII. Other key provisions:

- (i) International students:
 1. Scholarship applicants should apply directly for admission to universities/colleges listed in the "Association of Taiwan Scholarship Program Schools" (see Appendix 1) by the application deadlines.
 2. Other than tuition and other fees, recipients are responsible for the payment of all other expenses. In case of financial hardship, recipients may apply to their registered universities/colleges for payments to be deducted from their subsistence allowances.
 3. Should the recipients' academic and conduct performances or their attendance record fall below the required standard of their registered universities/colleges, their scholarships will be suspended or revoked in accordance with the rules and regulations of the universities/colleges.
 4. Should recipients be in simultaneous receipt of any other award or subsidy granted by Taiwan government agencies or education institutions in Taiwan, upon verification, their scholarships will be

revoked and any stipend and subsistence allowance given to them during the period of overlap shall be returned.

5. Recipients are required to join the National Health Insurance plan. They must purchase other forms of medical insurance before enrolling in the National Health Insurance plan according to National Law.
6. Upon enrollment at universities/colleges in Taiwan, recipients are not allowed to study in any other country as exchange or dual/joint degree students. Should such a case occur, the recipients' scholarships will be revoked and the remainder of the award period shall not be retained or deferred. Recipients on exchange as part of the degree program are exempt from this rule, but they shall not receive any tuition stipend and subsistence allowance during the time period outside of Taiwan.
7. Recipients are not allowed to work as a full-time, part-time worker or an intern while in Taiwan, except for required internship hours. If any recipient violates the regulation stated above, his/her scholarship shall be revoked by the school. Additionally, the recipient shall return any stipend and subsistence allowance given to him/her during the period of employment.
8. Recipients shall participate in teaching, interactive or other related language and cultural activities complying with the MOE's Taiwan scholarship policies.