

Ministry of Education, Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES) International Student Directions, Year 2017

1. Purpose

To encourage international students (Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macao SAR students are not eligible) to undertake Huayu courses in the Republic of China (Taiwan); in order to provide them with opportunities to increase their understanding of Taiwanese culture and society, and to promote mutual understanding and interactions between Taiwan and the international community.

2. Award Value

A monthly stipend of 25,000 NTD.

3. Duration

- a) Huayu Enrichment courses will include a summer term (June and July or July and August), along with short term classes, which may last 3, 6 or 9 months to a year respectively.
- b) With the exception of the summer classes, in principle, the duration of the scholarship is from September 1st to August 31st of the following year. If recipients fail to come to Taiwan for enrollment during the designated time, they will forfeit their right to retain their scholarships.
- c) Scholarship funding will become effective on the date of the recipient's enrollment. Scholarship funding will end according to the scholarship's expiration date or if the scholarship is revoked.

4. Eligibility

International applicants above the age of 18, who possess a high school diploma or above, have shown excellent academic performance, and are of good moral

character are eligible. Candidates with one of the following qualifications may not apply:

- a) Is an overseas Chinese student or a national of the R.O.C.
- b) Is currently registered as a student at a Mandarin Language Center or has sought a degree from a university or college in Taiwan.
- c) Has already received a HES or a Taiwan Scholarship, in the past.
- d) Is an exchange student to Taiwan, during the scholarship period.
- e) Is currently receiving financial benefits from the Taiwan government or another educational institution.

5. Application

Applicants need to submit the following documents to Taipei Representative Office in Singapore before March 31st, 2017.

- a) An application form.
- b) A photocopy of passport.
- c) A photocopy of the certificate of the highest credential and transcript.
- d) A photocopy of the applications to the Mandarin Language Center.
- e) Other documents required by Taipei Representative Office in Singapore (if necessary).
- f) Please send the application documents by registered mail to the following address:

Press Division, Taipei Representative Office in Singapore

(Huayu Enrichment Scholarship)

460 Alexandra Road #23-00

PSA Building

Singapore 119963

6. Selection Procedure

A document review and personal interview will be conducted.

7. Terms and Conditions for Recipients

- a) The recipient should study at a registered Mandarin Language Center approved by the MOE.
- b) The recipient should apply for admission according to the regulations of the center. Once admitted, the recipient should send a photocopy of the admission letter to Taipei Representative Office in Singapore before June 30th for confirmation. Recipients who do not send their documents before the deadline will be disqualified from the scholarship selection process.
- c) The recipient should undertake at least 15 hours of language courses each week. This does not include cultural visits, speeches, and other self-learning curriculum or activities.
- d) After the first semester (quarter), recipients of a maximum one year scholarship can request a one time only transfer to another Mandarin Language Center with permission of the original Mandarin Language Center. Recipients of the summer classes, 3 months, 6 months or 9 months scholarship are not allowed to apply for a transfer.
- e) If the recipient concurrently accepts scholarships from other sources, he/ she will lose their placement in the scholarship program. He/she will also have to return the funds granted for those months that he/she received multiple scholarships.
- f) The termination and cancellation of a scholarship is based on regulations specified by each individual Mandarin Language Center. Mandarin Language Centers have the right to terminate or revoke a scholarship if the recipient's academic performance, moral character, or attendance record are not up to their standards.
- g) Recipients of a six month or longer scholarship are obligated to join the National Health Insurance Program. Before joining, recipients should

purchase student accident insurance and other relevant insurance. Insurance fees can be deducted by the Mandarin Language Centers from the monthly stipend before granting it to recipients.

8. Suspension and Cancellation

A. The Scholarship will be suspended for one month, if one or more of the following conditions occur.

- a) The Scholarship will be suspended for one month, if the recipient has missed 12 hours or more of their language course within a single month.
- b) Starting from the first semester (quarter), if the recipient fails to obtain the specified standard score by the university (an average of 80 points out of 100), his/her scholarship will be suspended for a month in the next semester (quarter).
- c) The recipient of a nine month or longer scholarship without a Level 3 or above TOCFL certificate within 2 years prior to enrollment must hand in the certificate or transcript one month before the end of the scholarship term. If he/she fails to do so, the scholarship will be suspended for one month.

B. Scholarship Cancellation, if one or more of following conditions occur.

- a) The recipient fails to obtain the standard score (an average of 80 points out of 100) for two consecutive semesters (quarters), he/she will be disqualified from receiving the scholarship.
- b) Any recipient missing a final achievement score for any semester (quarter) will be disqualified from receiving the scholarship with the exception of a serious illness or accident.
- c) The recipient will not continue to receive the scholarship if he/she violates R.O.C. law.

d) The scholarship will be suspended or revoked if the recipient violates University or Mandarin Language Center regulations.