

# **THE 2019 TAIWAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINE**

## **Education Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York**

(Serving the residents of CT, NJ, NY, and PA)

### **I. Purpose**

The Taiwan Scholarship is provided by the Ministry of Education (MOE) to encourage outstanding international students to undertake degree programs in Taiwan. It provides study opportunities for a wide range of disciplines at universities in Taiwan. This program also aims to promote friendship between the United States and the Republic of China (Taiwan), as well as to increase academic and educational links between both countries' institutions of higher learning. The program aims to develop outstanding future professionals and experts to meet the tomorrow's needs in a global society.

For the details of the Scholarship Guidelines and Recipients' rights and obligations, please visit "[Taiwan Scholarship and Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program](https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw)" via to download a full version of "Taiwan Scholarship Program Directions" at <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw>

### **II. Award Value:**

The MOE Taiwan Scholarship Program provides the following for each outstanding international student scholarship recipient who comes to Taiwan to undertake a bachelor's degree, master's degree, or doctorate:

- (i) Tuition and miscellaneous expenses (i.e. the course-credit fees, and miscellaneous basic study-related fees): The MOE will pay up to NTD 40,000 each semester for each recipient's approved tuition and miscellaneous expenses. If these exceed a total amount of NTD 40,000, the remaining amount must be paid to the university/college by the student. The "miscellaneous expenses" do not include any of the following: administration fees, thesis supervision fees, insurance premiums, accommodation, or internet access. These are all the responsibility of the scholarship recipient.
- (ii) Living allowance: The MOE provides each recipient undertaking university undergraduate studies a monthly stipend of NTD 15,000; it provides each recipient undertaking a master's degree or doctorate studies a monthly stipend of NTD 20,000.

A university may give scholarship recipients a discount for tuition and/or miscellaneous expenses. The university/college must submit details of which of its departments/ institutes are offering scholarship recipients discounts on fees for the following academic year, and a copy of the fee standards to the MOE by the prescribed date each year, and it must also provide a copy of these to any other unit designated by the MOE.

### **III. Scholarship Duration and Time Limits:**

- (i) The maximum period a Taiwan Scholarship may be held is: 4 years for undergraduate programs, 2 years for master's degree programs, and 4 years for doctorate programs. The maximum total

period that any one person may hold a Taiwan Scholarship is five years.

- (ii) Annual award periods begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> September and continue until the 31<sup>st</sup> August of the following year. Recipients must arrive in Taiwan and register at their university/college at the scheduled time. It is not permitted to defer taking up a Taiwan Scholarship until the following year. A student who is unable to arrive in Taiwan and register at their university/college at the scheduled time will be considered to have forfeited their scholarship eligibility, unless the student has notified the university/college and the MOE beforehand and been given permission for a delayed arrival and registration.
- (iii) Living allowance payments begin from the month when the recipient actually begins attending the university/college, and they end when the maximum scholarship period for their degree level expires, or when the recipient graduates, withdraws from their studies, is suspended or expelled, or has their Taiwan Scholarship revoked.

#### **IV. Number of Awards: 4(four)**

#### **V. Eligibility:**

1. To be eligible to apply for the 2019 Taiwan Scholarship, applicants must:
  - ◆ Be an U.S. citizen
  - ◆ Possess a senior high school certificate (Year 12) or post-secondary degree(s) with an excellent academic record
  - ◆ Be of good moral character.
2. Applicant in any of the following categories is ineligible to apply:
  - ◆ An R.O.C. national or an overseas Chinese student.
  - ◆ A person who already has and is continuing to maintain student status at any university/college in Taiwan or who has already registered to begin studies at such a university/college. This restriction does not apply to a student who will be graduating after completing a degree that year. They may apply for a Taiwan Scholarship to pursue a higher degree.
  - ◆ A person who has already studied in Taiwan for a degree at the same level as the one in which they currently intend to enroll.
  - ◆ An exchange student or dual/joint degree student who has been admitted to a university/college in Taiwan in accordance with an academic cooperation agreement between that university/college and an overseas university/college.
  - ◆ A person who has already been a Taiwan Scholarship recipient for a total of five years.
  - ◆ A person who has ever previously had their Taiwan Scholarship or MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship revoked.
  - ◆ A person who has received any other scholarship or subsidy from any Taiwan Government institution (organization) or any education institution in Taiwan, apart from any subsidies provided for a Taiwan Scholarship recipient by their university/college to cover the outstanding amount if the total amount of their tuition and other fees exceeds the scholarship limit.

3. Applicants must apply directly to the university/college for admission within the application deadline. Each university/college sets its own application deadline.

## **VI. Application Deadline: April 30, 2019 (postmarked)**

## **VII. Application Documents:**

- a. A completed Taiwan Scholarship Application Form
- b. A photocopy of the applicant's U.S.A. passport
- c. A photocopy of diploma and transcript of highest degree obtained (Please obtain an authenticated translation if the original is not in English or Chinese. These documents must be authenticated by a Taiwan representative office or be sealed and delivered by the awarding institutions)
- d. A photocopy of application for admission to a participating university in Taiwan
- e. A photocopy of language proficiency proof:

Applications for non all-English study programs: Photocopy of score report or certificate for attaining Level 3 or above on the "Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language" (TOCFL). (Any rewarded students, who has not submitted a copy of the test results or certificate at Level 3 or above must take the TOCFL test at Level 3 or above at their own expense by the end of the first semester after they arrive in Taiwan and submit their test results or certificate to their university/college.)

- f. Two reference letters, signed and sealed in envelopes.
- g. A completed "Taiwan Scholarship Terms of Agreement."

## **VIII. Universities Participating in the Taiwan Scholarship Program:**

Applicants must apply directly for admission within the deadlines specified by the individual universities for the Taiwan Scholarship.

## **IX. Selection & Notification of Application Result:**

- a. Selection of applicants will be based on a comprehensive review of documents and, if necessary, may include an interview.
- b. Applicants will be notified of scholarship decisions by email by May 31, 2019.
- c. Applicants awarded a Taiwan Scholarship will be required to submit proof/letter of admission to their university/college to the Education Division by June 30, 2019. Once admission is confirmed, the Education Division will issue an official Certificate of Scholarship to the award recipient.

## **X. Contact Person**

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**XI. Mailing Address:**

Applicants who are permanent residents of **Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, or Pennsylvania**, should apply with the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York:

**Education Division, TECO-NY**

**Attn: Taiwan Scholarship**

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