2024 Taiwan Scholarship Program Announcement

Taipei Representative Office, Bratislava (TROB)

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- In an effort to encourage outstanding international students to undertake degree studies in Taiwan so as to familiarize themselves with the academic environment in Taiwan, the Ministry of Education (MOE) of Republic of China (Taiwan) offers <u>1</u> scholarship to Slovak or Romanian student for the academic year 2024/25
- 2. The 2024 Taiwan Scholarship Program awards each scholarship recipient the following:
- Each scholarship will cover the tuition fees up to NTD 40,000 for one
 academic semester (the amount <u>above NTD 40,000 will be covered by the</u>
 recipient or the university; <u>legal part-time jobs are allowed</u>)
- Monthly subsistence allowance: <u>Undergraduate study: NTD 15,000 ≒</u>
 440€; Postgraduate study: NTD 20,000 ≒ 590€.
- Flight tickets, health insurances, administration fees, thesis advising fees, insurance premiums, accommodation and internet access, etc. are NOT included.
- 3. Duration of Scholarships: The maximum period of each scholarship is <u>4 years</u> <u>for undergraduate programs</u>, <u>2 years for master programs</u>, and <u>4 years</u> <u>for doctorate programs</u>. The maximum length of the total awards for each recipient undertaking a combination of studies is <u>5 years</u>. 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 before registration starts. If recipients fail to arrive in Taiwan on time, their award will be revoked automatically.

4. Eligibility:

- Applicants must be a foreign national with a high-school diploma or postsecondary degree(s), with an excellent academic record, and be of good moral character.
- Applicants are **ineligible** if they meet the following criteria:
- Are ROC nationals or overseas Chinese students; (If one or both of parents
 was an ROC national at the time of applicant's birth, applicant is an ROC
 national as well and therefore not eligible to apply.)

- Are already registered or have obtained student status at any university/college in Taiwan. Graduating students pursuing further studies are exempt from this rule.
- Have already studied in Taiwan for the same level of degree as the one in which they currently intend to enroll.
- Are exchange or dual/joint degree students admitted in accordance with academic cooperation agreements between local universities/colleges and international universities/colleges.
- Have been a recipient of the Taiwan Scholarship for over a total of five years.
- Have had, in the past, their Taiwan Scholarship or Huayu Enrichment Scholarship from the MOE revoked.
- 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.
- Applicants should apply directly for admission within the deadlines specified by the university/college in Taiwan.

5. Application procedure:

- ➤ 1st Step: Fill in the online application form and upload all required documents: via the 「Taiwan Scholarship and Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Online Program System 」 (https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/Apply), select the 'Taipei Representative Office, Bratislava and the nationality 「Slovakia/Romania」. Then, select 「Taiwan Scholarship」 and click on 「Add」 to complete all application data and upload the required documents.
- ➤ 2nd Step: Send the application to TROB. After completion of the online application, please mail all the original documents as listed below to Taipei Representative office, Bratislava (TROB) before March 31, 2024. Required documents are:
 - Taiwan Scholarship Application Form printed from the online application system.
 - A photocopy of the applicant's passport. Applicants must be <u>Slovak or</u> <u>Romanian citizens</u>.

- A photocopy of the highest-degree diploma and academic transcripts.
 Documents in a language other than Chinese or English must be translated into Chinese or English.
- A photocopy 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).
- A photocopy of a language proficiency certificate:

 - For applicants to all-English programs, a photocopy of TOEFL or IELTS test scores must be submitted. Other test scores might not be considered. Please see the website (www.studyintaiwan.org) for more information.
- Two letters of reference (recommendation) signed and sealed in envelopes (not from job supervisors, but from the principals, professors, or teachers). Photo copies and email submissions of letters of recommendation will not be considered.
- Motivation letter and Future study plan.
- Duly-signed <u>Terms of Agreement</u> for MOE Taiwan Scholarship Program (see Appendix).
- 6. Application time and Selection Process:
- The application period is from **February 1**, **2024** through **March 31**st, 2024.
- The applicants may be invited for interviews in April of 2024.
- Candidates and alternative candidates will be announced and informed by emails before May 31st, 2024.
- Successful candidates should submit to TROB the letter of admission to universities/colleges no later than June 15th, 2024. If a candidate fails to do so, he/she will be deemed as renouncing the award and therefore replaced by an alternative candidate.
- TROB issues Award Certificates of scholarship to awardees by July 31st 2024.
- 7. Award Quotas: 1 people

8. Selection Criteria:

Recipients should at least achieve a GPA of B.

• Priority might be given to applicants with a certificate in TOCFL-levels of:

intermediate or above.

Applications must be complete in full. All incomplete applications are ineligible

for consideration, and persons submitting incomplete applications will be

withdrawn from the selection process without further notice.

9. Other key provisions:

(i) Scholarship applicants should apply directly for admission to universities/colleges

in Taiwan within their application deadlines.

(ii) 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.

NOTE:

1. For Mandarin learning, please apply for Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES).

2. Please enclose all the necessary documents in one package and send to our

office. Please make a note of "TS 2024" on envelope. For more information,

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