MoE Taiwan Scholarship 2023 – Notes for Applicants

Application Form & Accompanying Documents

Please complete all sections of the application form and ensure that you submit all the required accompanying documents, as listed in the Taiwan Scholarship guidelines.

Applications should be submitted as e-mail attachments, either in one merged file or several separate files, to the following e-mail address: <u>virginia@mofa.gov.tw</u>.

Please include *Taiwan Scholarship Application* and your name in the subject line. The final deadline for submitting applications to our office is **Friday 31st March, 2023**.

Receipt of all applications and references will be acknowledged by the Education Division so please follow up if you do not receive an acknowledgement e-mail.

Scholarship Guidelines

These have been adapted specifically for UK applicants from the full version of the Ministry of Education (MoE), Republic of China (Taiwan) programme guidelines.

The full version of the guidelines is posted in both English and Mandarin on the MoE website: <u>https://edu.law.moe.gov.tw/EngLawContent.aspx?lan=E&id=250</u>.

'English-Taught Programme Reference List 2023'

This contains a list of degree programmes offered by Taiwanese universities that are confirmed to use English as their language of instruction. However, the reference list is not necessarily exhaustive and applicants should contact the university to confirm the teaching language of programmes not included in the list.

Please refer to the 'Language of Instruction' section below for further details.

Additional Financial Assistance

A list is provided of Taiwanese universities which offer tuition fee waivers beyond what is covered by the Taiwan Scholarship (and details of the extent of the assistance provided).

References

Two letters of reference must be e-mailed directly to <u>virginia@mofa.gov.tw</u> by the referees themselves. Reference letters submitted by the applicant will not be accepted.

Applications missing one or both references will be recorded as 'incomplete' and may not be able to be considered for the scholarship.

Finding a Degree Course

Details of universities and degree programmes in Taiwan are available on the following website: <u>http://www.studyintaiwan.org/university</u>.

All applicants must apply for admission to their chosen degree programme(s) independently before applying for the Taiwan Scholarship. The Education Division is unable to assist with this process. Please note that university admission deadlines may not correspond with the Taiwan Scholarship deadline and could potentially be significantly earlier.

Language of Instruction

Taiwan Scholarship applicants applying to Mandarin-taught (or not fully-English-taught) degree programmes must include a copy of a TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language – see section below) certificate at Band B or above as evidence of language proficiency.

If a Taiwanese university describes one of its degree programmes as English-taught but the programme is not included in the 'English-Taught Programme Reference List 2023' attachment, the applicant must obtain a document from the university (<u>not</u> a subsidiary department or unit) certifying that the course is indeed taught fully in English. This document should be submitted as part of the candidate's Taiwan Scholarship application.

TOCFL

Applicants with a recent background in Mandarin study who are applying for a degree programme fully or partially taught in Mandarin but who have not had the opportunity to sit the TOCFL prior to applying for the scholarship would be required to sit the TOCFL during the first semester of study and to submit the results to their university in Taiwan.

Scholarship recipients who fail to pass the test and/or submit their results to the university would have their living allowance suspended and, ultimately, their scholarship revoked.

Interview

Candidates may be requested to take part in an interview, either in person or via webcam, after the application deadline has passed. In the cases of candidates applying to degree programmes taught wholly or partially in Mandarin, the interview may be carried out in Mandarin. Interviews will likelybe scheduled for the end of April or early May.