<u>Taiwan Scholarship Guidelines 2024</u> Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Tel Aviv

- 1. Ministry of Education of the Republic of China (Taiwan) (hereinafter referred to as the MOE) offers Taiwan scholarships to Israeli citizens. Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Tel Aviv (hereinafter referred to as TECO) is taking responsibility for the selection process.
- 2. MOE awards outstanding Israeli students undertaking undergraduate and postgraduate studies in Taiwan by awarding each recipient of the Taiwan scholarship the following:
- (a) Tuition and payment of academic fees, including credit fees. Upon validation of tuition and above fees, the MOE awards each recipient per semester up to NTD 40,000. Should the total amount of these fees exceed NTD 40,000, the remainder of all costs shall be covered by the recipient. Tuition and academic fees do not include any of the following: administration fees, thesis advising fees, insurance premiums, accommodation, and internet access, all of which are payable by the recipients.
- (b) Subsistence allowance: MOE offers each recipient undertaking undergraduate studies a monthly stipend of NTD 15,000; it offers each recipient undertaking postgraduate studies a monthly stipend of NTD 20,000.

3. Duration of Scholarships:

- (a) 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.
- (b) 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 MOE. If recipients fail to arrive in Taiwan for registration during this period, their award will be revoked with no deferrals.
- (c) 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.

4. Eligibility:

- (a) Applicants must be a foreign national with a secondary school graduation diploma or a post-secondary diploma or degree, and an excellent academic record, and be of good moral character.
- (b) A person in any of the following categories is ineligible to apply:
- A R.O.C. national or an overseas Chinese student.
- A person who already has and is continuing to maintain student status at any university or tertiary college in Taiwan or a person who has already registered to begin studies at a university/college in Taiwan. This restriction does not apply to a student who will complete a degree and graduate 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 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 the university/college in Taiwan and an overseas university/college.
- A person who has held a Taiwan Scholarship for a total of five years.
- A person who has ever had a Taiwan Scholarship or MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship revoked.
- A person who has received any other scholarship or subsidy from any Taiwan Government agency or any education institution in Taiwan. This does not include any subsidy provided for Taiwan Scholarship recipients by an/a university/college to cover the outstanding amount of their tuition and other fees if the total amount exceeds the maximum amount paid by the scholarship.
- (c) Applicants for a Taiwan Scholarship must apply directly to the university/college for admission. Each university/college sets its own application deadline.

5. Application:

Applicants should send the following document within the period specified enclosed to the nearest Taiwan Embassy or Representative Office in their country:

- (a) Taiwan Scholarship Application Form
- (b) A copy of the applicant's passport.

- (c) 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.
- (d) 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.)
- (e) Two reference letters from principals, professors, or supervisors, signed and sealed in envelopes.
- (f) A copy of a language proficiency certificate.
- For applications to not all-English programs:
- 1) Applicant should submit a copy of the test results or certificate of Level 3 or above of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL).
- 2) If a copy of results or certificate of Level 3 or above is not submitted, the applicant shall apply for the TOCFL test at his/her own expense and submit the test results or certificate to the school by the end of the first semester after arriving in Taiwan. If the applicant transfers to a new school after the first semester, the starting semester in the new school shall be regarded as the second semester after the arrival in Taiwan. The applicant shall not claim his/her starting semester in the new school is the first

- 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 (English-speaking nationals are exempt from this rule) recognized by the local 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.

- Recipients should achieve an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or above, and a postgraduate GPA of 3.5 or above (on a 4.5 scale)

- Priority will be given to applicants with a certificate in TOCFL-levels of: intermediate or above. For applications to all-English programs, a copy of TOEFL test scores or other recognized English language proficiency exams at the intermediate level or a test score of over 75% must be submitted.

6. Selection Procedure:

Applicants should submit their applications between February 1 and March 31, 2024. Qualified applicants will be invited for an interview in April 2024.

- Upon reviewing applications and conducting interviews, TECO will select candidates and alternate candidates who will be placed on a waiting list. Candidates and their awarding universities/colleges are to be notified by May 31st of each year.
- Selected candidates should submit a copy of their letter of admission to TECO for verification by June 30th, 2024; should candidates fail to submit this letter within the specified time period, the candidates must submit a written explanation and request verification from TECO. Failure to be admitted into a university/college will result in a suspension from the Scholarship Program. Failure to submit documents within the specified time period will result in disqualification, and the candidates on the waiting list will be offered a scholarship. The list of recipients must be finalized no later than July 31st, 2024.
- **7.** Issues not mentioned above should be dealt with in accordance with "Taiwan Scholarship Guideline" issued by MOE.