

# **2024 Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program Directions (Vietnam- South of Da Nang and Cambodia)**

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## **Purpose**

The Ministry of Education (abbreviated to “MOE”) has formulated the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program Directions (also known as the “Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program Guidelines”) to encourage outstanding international students (with the exception of students from the Mainland Area, Hong Kong, and Macau) to undertake Huayu courses in Taiwan in order to provide opportunities to increase their understanding of Taiwanese culture and society, and to promote mutual understanding and friendships between Taiwan and the international community.

## **I. Scholarship Quota and Award:**

For 2024, the MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program provides 16 scholarships for outstanding Vietnamese (South of Da Nang) and Cambodian students.

## **II. Duration of Scholarship:**

1. Huayu Enrichment courses will include a wide range of programs, presenting at 3, 6 or 9 months to 1 year respectively. However, the terms given to each recipient will be in accordance with the number of applicants and the number of recipients. The exact term will be indicated in the certificate.
2. The duration of the scholarship is from September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. If the recipients fail to arrive in Taiwan for enrollment during the designated time or that they fail to apply for the VISA, they will forfeit the right to retain their scholarships, furthermore, it would also not be reserved for future. Scholarship funding will become effective on the date of the recipient’s arrival (in university) and enrollment.
3. Scholarship funding will last from the first month of enrollment up until the scholarship’s expiration date or on the date that the scholarship is revoked.

## **III. Award Value:**

To encourage outstanding Vietnamese and Cambodian students to pursue Huayu Enrichment Courses, the Ministry of Education of Taiwan offers the following benefits to applicants:

A monthly stipend of 25,000 TWD will be awarded. Scholarship recipients must attend the Mandarin courses offered by MOE approved Language Center (See attached file). The courses include 15-hour classes on compulsory subjects. The language center usually sends in the recipient’s grade and learning record to the MOE before the 10th of each month for scholarship

evaluation. Recipients are asked to prepare 1-2 months of living expenses and tuition (round about 3,000 USD) for the funding will be handed out 1-2 months after enrollment.

#### **IV. Application Deadlines** January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

#### **V. Eligibility**

1. Cambodia or Vietnam (Southward of Da Nang) nationals, who are above the age of 18, possess a high school diploma or above, and have shown excellent academic performance, and are of good moral characters are eligible.
2. Candidates that fall into one or more of these following categories, may **not** apply:
  1. Overseas nationals of the R.O.C (Taiwan), holding Taiwanese citizenship and permanent residency permits issued by the R.O.C
  2. Those who already have and are currently registered as students at a Mandarin Language Center or have already begun studying at a Taiwanese university/college.
  3. Those who have already received HES or a Taiwan Scholarship.
  4. Those who are exchange students in Taiwan during the scholarship period.
  5. Those who is currently receiving financial benefits from the Taiwanese government or other educational institution.

#### **VI. Required Documents for Scholarship Application**

Applicants need to prepare the following documents (if the application is not complete within the specified timeframe, it means the application is not suitable for the scholarship and will not be considered)

1. Complete the information in the “2024 Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Application Form” (attached with a recent 4x6 photo taken within the last 3 months).
2. **Vietnamese citizens:** A copy of the applicant’s valid ID card, Passport, and Household Registration. The Household Registration address must be from Da Nang southward. All the documents mentioned above have to remain valid.  
**Cambodian citizens:** A copy of the applicant’s valid ID card, Passport, and Household Registration. All the documents mentioned above have to remain valid.
3. A verified/authenticated copy of their highest academic diploma and any associated academic transcripts/diploma.
  - *Cambodia students who studied in Cambodia will have to also hand in proof of graduation written by the Cambodian university president/rector. Documents in a language other than Chinese or English must be translated into Chinese or English and the translated documents must also be verified/authenticated in accordance with the requirements of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City.*

- If the applicant is a Vietnamese/Cambodian High School or University student who has not yet graduated upon application, they must hand in a verified/authenticated graduate diploma and original diploma before August, 2024. Failure to submit verified/authenticated graduate diploma, grade report, relevant transcript, and the original diploma before August 2024 (or has not obtained consent from the Education Division to postpone their turn in transcript) will result in disqualification from the scholarship application.

**These are the requirements for verified/authenticated graduate diploma and original diploma.**

**3.1.Vietnam (High schools, universities from Da Nang southward):**

1. Verified and translated by the Department of Justice of Ho Chi Minh City,
2. Bring the notarized translation to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Ho Chi Minh City for authentication (Bring both the original and the notarized translation)  
[Note: When applying for the Huayu scholarship, candidates are required to go through this step (step 2)]
3. Bring the consular authentication (both the original and the notarized translation) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City for verification.  
[Note: When applying for a Visa, proceed to this step (step 3)]

**Note: Applying for the Huayu scholarship and entering the UNIVERSITY are two parallel processes. If, during the university application process, the university requires step 3, candidates should follow the university's regulations.**

**3.2.Cambodia (High schools, universities from Cambodia):**

1. Verified by both the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cambodia and the Cambodia Consulate General in Ho Chi Minh City (translate to English or Chinese before Verified).
2. Bring it to the Cambodian Consulate in Ho Chi Minh City for authentication.
3. Bring it to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City for verification.

For further information, please browse through the following website:

<http://www.roc-taiwan.org/kh/post/157.html>

**3.3.Diplomas and transcripts from other foreign countries (other than China):**

1. Verified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the country that the documents are from (translate to English or Chinese before Verified);
  2. Bring it to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in that country for verification.
- 4.** A copy of documents for admission to a University/Mandarin Language Center in Taiwan, which is approved by the Ministry of Education (e.g., payment receipt/transfer of

application fees, a copy of the application form, email feedback from the university/mandarin languages, etc)

5. One of the following language proficiency certificates (If upon application the applicant has applied to take a language test, the applicant has to turn in a copy of registration along with the application, the test result has to be turned in before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024, if not, they will not be eligible for the scholarship):

5.1. A copy of results or certificate for the “Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language” (TOCFL) from Level 1 onwards.

HSK Score will not be accepted. The recipient of the Scholarship must provide the original Copy of the certificate to the Education Division for verification.

5.2. A copy of English language proficiency exams:

- TOEFL pBT from 450 points or TOEFL iBT from 55 points and above
- IELTS from 5 and above
- TOEIC from 550 and above

The English certificate issued above must still be valid after the start of the fall semester.

6. Two recommendation letters – from a principal, a high school or university president/rector, professors, and/or supervisors – personally signed, and placed in sealed envelopes. Photocopies and email submissions of letters of recommendation will not be considered.
7. Study plan (in Chinese or English).
8. The application and relevant information turned in will not be returned to the applicant.

## **VII. Address for Application:**

Required documents are submitted by certified mail or turned in personally before the deadline to :

Educational Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City

336 Nguyen Tri Phuong, St., Ward 4, District 10, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Tel. +84 (0)2838349160 Ext. 2202-2203-2204 Fax: +84 (0)28 38349180

E-mail: [eduvietnam@mail.moe.gov.tw](mailto:eduvietnam@mail.moe.gov.tw)

## **VIII. Selection Criteria**

1. Study Plan
2. Graduate diploma, Grade report & Academic achievements
3. Language proficiency
4. Letters of recommendation
5. Interview performance
6. Other relevant activities/documents

(For the interview at Education Division of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi

Minh City, the specific time will be notified by email. If there is no response after 2 email notifications, the interview qualification will be revoked.)

**\*\*The application and relevant information turned in will not be returned to the applicant.**

## **IX. Selection process**

From January 19 to April 5	Receive candidate applications.
From May to June	Review application and conduct interviews.
Before the end of July	Provide feedback via email to candidates in the preliminary round. Candidates who receive an email will be issued an Admission Notice. If unable to provide, the candidate's qualification will be revoked. Officially announce the final list, then scholarship certificates will be issued to the recipients
Before the end of August	The scholarship recipients will provide certified diplomas and transcripts at the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office. If not, the scholarship qualification will be revoked. The scholarship recipients attend the scholarship award ceremony and receive pre-departure information.
From January 15 to March 31	Receive candidate applications.

## **X. Obligations of scholarship recipients:**

1. The recipients must apply for University/ Mandarin Language Centers approved by the Ministry of Education
2. The recipients should apply for admission according to the regulations of the center. Once admitted, the recipients need to present the admission letter to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City before June 30<sup>th</sup> for confirmation. Recipients who do not send their documents before the deadline will be disqualified from the scholarship selection process.
3. The recipient should undertake at least 15 hours of language courses each week. This does not include cultural visits, seminars, and other self-learning curriculum or activities.
4. After the first semester (quarter), only recipients of the 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 scholarships under 1 year are not allowed to apply for a transfer.
5. In the occasion of any mistaken repeated funding allocation to the recipients, failure to report back will results in disqualification of the scholarship, along with confiscation of funds.

6. If the recipient's school performance, conduct, or attendance record, etc., do not meet the requirements of these key points or the relevant academic regulations of the school, the scholarship will be suspended and canceled by the Mandarin Language Center.
7. Recipients of any 6-month upwards scholarships must enroll in National Healthcare Insurance. Before enrolling in this insurance, recipients are encouraged to have other valid insurance including the occupational accident insurance, the payments for the insurance will be taken by the Mandarin Language Center from the scholarship fund.

## **XI. Suspension and Cancellation**

### **1. Scholarship suspension**

1. 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.
2. 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), their scholarship will be suspended for a month in the next semester (quarter).
3. For any recipients of a nine-month or longer scholarship without a Level 3 or above TOCFL certificate within 2 years prior to enrollment, they must hand in the certificate or transcript to the Mandarin Language Center one month before the end of the scholarship term. Failure to do so will lead to a one-month scholarship suspension. Payments for the TOCFL exam will be made by the recipients.

### **2. Scholarship Cancellation**

1. When the recipients fail to obtain the standard score (an average of 80 points out of 100) for two consecutive semesters (quarters), they will be disqualified from receiving the scholarship.
2. 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.
3. The recipients will not continue to receive the scholarship if they violate the R.O.C. law.
4. The scholarship will be suspended or revoked if the recipient violates University or Mandarin Language Center regulations.

## **XII. Information disclosure:**

For information on "Instructions for Applying for the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship 2024" and the "Application Form for the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship 2024," please visit the following websites:

Website: <http://www.roc-taiwan.org/VN/SGN> (Official website of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City, under the section "Education Division")