

The 2026 Taiwan Scholarship Program Guidelines

Taipei Representative Office in Ireland

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I. Purpose

The Taiwan Scholarship, provided by the Ministry of Education (MOE), aims to encourage talented international students to pursue degree programs in Taiwan across a broad range of academic fields. The program seeks to cultivate future outstanding professionals and experts who can address the challenges of an increasing globalized society. At the same time, it provides students with the opportunity to experience Taiwan's academic environment and fosters communication, mutual understanding, and lasting friendships between Taiwan and the international community.

II. Scholarship 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) Each scholarship will cover the tuition fees up to NTD (New Taiwan Dollars, abbreviated NTD) 40,000 \doteq 1,050 Euro for one academic semester (the amount **above NTD 40,000 will be covered by the recipient or the university**)
- (ii) Monthly living allowance: **Undergraduate study: NTD 15,000** \doteq 400 Euro; **Postgraduate study: NTD 20,000** \doteq 530 Euro
- (iii) Flight tickets, health insurances, administration fees, thesis advising fees, insurance premiums, accommodation and internet access, etc. are **NOT** included.

III. Number of Awards: 1 Scholarship will be awarded by the Taipei Representative Office in Ireland.

IV. Duration of Scholarships

- (i) The maximum period of each scholarship is **4 years for undergraduate programs, 2 years for master programs, and 4 years for doctorate programs.** The maximum length of the total awards for each recipient undertaking a combination of studies is **5 years.**
- (ii) 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.

V. Eligibility

- (i) Applicants must hold an **Irish passport** and a high-school diploma (Leaving Cert or equivalent) / post-secondary degree(s), possess an excellent academic record and be of good moral character.
- (ii) Applicants in any of the following categories are **INELIGIBLE** to apply:
 - An R.O.C. nationals or an overseas Chinese student.
 - A person who already has registered or previously enrolled and retained student status at any university/college in Taiwan. Graduating students pursuing further studies are exempt from this rule.
 - A person who has already studied in Taiwan for the same level of degree as the one in which they currently intend to enroll.
 - An exchange or dual/joint degree student admitted in accordance with academic cooperation agreements between local universities/colleges and international universities/colleges.
 - A person who had already received the Taiwan Scholarship for five years in total or will exceed the 5year limit if awarded a Taiwan Scholarship for the program to which they intend to apply.
 - A person who has had, in the past, their Taiwan Scholarship or Huayu Enrichment Scholarship from the MOE revoked.
 - A person who has received any other scholarship or subsidy offered by the Taiwan government or education institutions in Taiwan while studying under the Taiwan Scholarship. This excludes subsidies offered by universities/colleges to cover tuition and other fees exceeding the scholarship limit.

VI. Application

Applicants should enclose the following documents with their application to the Taipei Representative Office in Ireland (*failure to include any of these documents renders the application incomplete and the applicant will not be considered further for the scholarship):

- (i) Completed Taiwan Scholarship Application Form (see Appendix).
- (ii) A copy of the applicant's Irish passport.
- (iii) A copy of the highest degree and academic transcripts. If issued by non-Irish educational institutions, these documents must be authenticated by an overseas Representative Office / Embassy of Taiwan, R.O.C. or be sealed and delivered by the awarding institutions. Documents in a language other than Mandarin or English must be translated into Mandarin or English and the translated documents must be authenticated.
- (iv) A copy of admission and/or application materials (e.g., copies of application fee remittance and/or application form, acknowledgement of received application from universities/colleges, etc.) to universities/colleges.
- (v) For scholarship applications relating to a Mandarin-taught degree program, **a copy of results or certificate for the "Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language" (TOCFL) Band B or above** must be included as evidence of language proficiency. The TOCFL is not required in the case of applications to **all-English-taught degree programs**.
- (vi) The terms of agreement with applicants' signature (see Appendix).
- (vii) Two letters of reference signed by hand and sealed in envelopes (i.e. from principals, professors or supervisors). Photocopies and e-mail submissions of letters of recommendation will not be considered.
- (viii) Study/research plan.
- (ix) Short autobiography (no longer than one A4 page).

VII. Application deadline: 1st MAY 2026(applications submitted after the deadline, as evidenced by the date of the postmark, will not be accepted).

VIII. Selection Process:

- (i) Complete application documents should be **submitted to this office (8 Lower Hatch Street, Dublin 2, Ireland)** and interviews will be arranged and conducted following application documents review. In the cases of candidates applying for Mandarin-taught degree programs, the interview might be carried out in Chinese.
- (ii) Applications must be completed in full. All incomplete applications are ineligible for consideration and persons submitting incomplete applications will be withdrawn from the selection process without further notice.

IX. Selection Notice:

- (i) Upon reviewing applications and conducting interviews, this office will select successful candidates and alternate candidates to be placed on a waiting list. **Candidates and their awarding universities/colleges are to be notified by 31st May 2026.**
- (ii) Successful candidates should **submit a copy of their letter of admission to this office by 30th June 2026.** Failure to submit documents within the specified time period or to be admitted into a university/college will result in disqualification, and the candidates on the waiting list will be offered a scholarship, who must submit a copy of their letter of admission to this office by **no later than 31st July 2026.**

Please see the following website for more detailed information:

<https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw>

<http://www.studyintaiwan.org/>

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