# National Chi Nan University Guidelines for International Student Scholarship Awards

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- I. To encourage the enrollment of international students into National Chi Nan University (NCNU), and to reward outstanding international students at NCNU, the "National Chi Nan University Guidelines for International Student Scholarship Awards" (short for "Guidelines" hereafter) is established in compliance with the 15<sup>th</sup> rule of the "Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan."
- II. Funds for the Guidelines come from special subsidies from the Ministry of Education or from the university's Student Scholarship Award funds.
- III. The Guidelines apply to international students who have been admitted to, or are studying at, the university and who meet the qualifications listed below:
  - (I) Students who meet the 4<sup>th</sup> rule of the "National Chi Nan University Entrance Regulations for International Students" or who have come to pursue degrees according to the associated educational system consigned by our university and universities abroad.
  - (II) Applicants' academic achievements must meet the following criteria:
    - 1. Bachelor's degree and International Foundation Program applicants will have their criteria determined by the department the applicant applies to. Students who have enrolled in the bachelor's program or International Foundation Program of this university must achieve an average score of 80 or higher for the previous semester, or those who have been recommended by the head of the department and have no record of misconduct.

Master's or doctoral degree applicants must graduate with a GPA of 3.0 (or its equivalent) or higher. Whether an applicant meets the criteria will be determined by the department the applicant applies to. Students who have enrolled in the graduate school of this university must achieve an average score of 80 or higher for the previous semester, or those who have been recommended by the head of the department and have no record of misconduct. Graduate students without previous semester's grades during the thesis writing

- period may present the general performance evaluation sheet filled out by their advisors to serve as a reference for evaluation of continued issuance of their scholarship.
- 2. Each department may have different qualification requirements and criteria.
- 3. Applicants who are currently studying at NCNU and do not meet the qualifications above due to exceptional circumstances may have their cases reviewed by their respective departments and may then be recommended for a re-evaluation at the Meeting of International and Cross-Strait Affairs. The closing dates for applying and re-evaluation are November 30th and May 15th each year, and the application documents, such as the NCNU Scholarship Application Form for International Students, the International Student Academic Recording and Counselling Form, and the student's transcript, are required.
- (III) Anyone who falls under any of the following circumstances is not permitted from applying:
  - 1. Those who have had this scholarship revoked.
  - 2. Those who have violated the laws of this country or have violated the school's student reward and punishment methods.
- IV. Stipend and the general fee and tuition reduction (tuition per credit) are two types of International Student Scholarship Awards at NCNU. College or department advisors should provide these scholarships according to each applicant's individual performance. The information provided will be discussed in the Meeting of International and Cross-Strait Affairs. The amount, quota, grant period, and award period of the scholarships are as follows:

#### (I) Award Amounts:

- 1. Master's Program: The minimum amount of the university-level scholarship per person per month ranges from NT\$2,000 to NT\$4,000.
- 2. PhD Program: The minimum amount of the university-level scholarship per person per month ranges from NT\$6,000 to NT\$8,000
- 3. Excluding the award amounts above, college or department advisors may increase the amount of the scholarship according to each applicant's performance.
- (II) The scholarship quota depends on the budget for that year. If funds for the scholarship of that year are exhausted, then no more applications will be accepted.
- (III) The award period is one semester. After the scholarship is approved, it will be subsidized for a total of six months per semester. The first semester is from August

to January of the following year, and the second semester is from February to July. Current students are required to re-apply each semester, according to their application qualifications.

(IV) The award period: A maximum of four years for a bachelor's program, a maximum of two years for a master's program, and a maximum of four years for a PhD program. Two types of waivers: Partial reduction (General fee and Tuition criteria as domestic registered students) and full waiver. The maximum reduction period for a bachelor's program is at most four years.

Maximum exemption of tuition fees (tuition per credit) for the master's program is up to 12 credits per semester for two years and for four years for the PhD program.

# V. Application Period:

New students who plan to apply for admission to our school must prepare the admission application documents as a review form, and submit them together when applying for admission to NCNU. After admission, students must apply for scholarships for the following semester from May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>, and from November 16<sup>th</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup> each year.

The application documents are as follows:

- (I) Application form
- (II) Chinese- or English-version transcripts of all the records in the previous school or previous semester. (After admission, students who have not yet obtained their first semester grades will be exempted.)
- (III) A letter of recommendation (students who want to enroll in NCNU can use the same application letter for entrance admission; current students should submit a recommendation letter from the chairman of their department or supervisor.)
- (IV)Other documents the applicant may have which are beneficial for review (such as certificates for joining extracurricular activities, proof of winning a prize in competitions, papers, journal articles, grants or achievements, etc.).

## VI. Examination principles:

- (I) Priority is given to applicants recommended by partner universities.
- (II) Applicants who present other documents which are beneficial for examination might gain discretionary bonus points.
- (III) The International Affair Council has jurisdiction over the list of students who are awarded scholarships.
- VII. Students awarded the International Student Scholarship are obligated to accept assignments from the Office of International and Cross-Strait Affairs related to the promotion of international academic exchanges, or serve as teaching, administration or

research assistants in their respective departments/graduate institutes. Workloads and duties are determined by the Office of International and Cross-Strait Affairs and individual departments or graduate institutes.

## VIII. Other points for attention:

- (I) Students awarded the scholarships who are subsequently found to have provided false or fraudulent information will be disqualified for the award/subsidy and must pay back any amount received.
- (II) Graduation or dropping out terminates an awarded scholarship/subsidy.
- (III) Students awarded a scholarship stop receiving it when taking the semester off and must reapply when resuming their studies.
- (IV)International students on Taiwan Scholarships are not eligible for this scholarship. For students who also receive the award or subsidy set up by the Taiwan government or NCNU, if it is verified that the award is true, in addition to revoking this award, the monthly payment for any repeated payments shall be recovered. These include scholarships, bursaries and general fees and tuition (credit fees).
- (V) Students awarded the scholarship/subsidy stop receiving it when Students studying abroad as exchange students or joint-degree students, will have the scholarship/subsidy stopped, and qualification will be immediately suspended. The original duration of scholarships/subsidy shall not be extended.
- (VI) With the exception of winter and summer vacations, students who are absent during the semester or leave this country without permission from the university and department will stop receiving the monthly scholarship/subsidy while absent.
- (VII) During the period of schooling, if the recipient students are absent from the university for a prolonged period or have poor academic or other comprehensive performance, then the student's department can apply for the suspension of the receipt's monthly scholarship/subsidy.
- (VIII) Scholarship recipients who violate the laws of this country or violate NCNU rules during the award period will have the scholarship/subsidy revoked from the month following the determination of the punishment as determined by the International Affairs and Cross-Strait Affairs Conference.
- IX. The Guidelines are adopted by the Administrative Council and become effective after the President's approval after appraisal and ratification.

The above regulations were translated from the original Chinese. In the event of any discrepancies between the two versions, the Chinese version shall prevail.