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The Taiwan Scholarships & Fellowships (TAFS) program is a Republic of China (R.O.C.) government initiative aimed to promote knowledge, educational links and enduring friendships between Taiwan and the global community.

Offered by five ministries and agencies in Taipei, the TAFS comprises nine awards in three categories: the **Fellowships**, the **Huayu (Mandarin) Enrichment Scholarships**, and the **Scholarships for Degree**. All together, approximately 1,250 grants are provided annually for undergraduate and postgraduate students as well as researchers across the world to study or to conduct advanced research in Taiwan.

To expand your horizon by seizing the opportunity offered by the TAFS, please check: <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw> or the respective website of each award or contact the R.O.C. embassies or representative offices near you for updates.

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	MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration: summer classes (2 months), 3, 6, 9 months, and 1 year Monthly stipend: NT\$25,000 Only for recipients from eligible countries designated by the MOE
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	Taiwan ICDF Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration: undergraduate (max. 4 years), master's (max. 2 years), Ph.D. (max. 3 years) Monthly stipends: NT\$12,000 for undergraduate, NT\$15,000 for master's, NT\$17,000 for Ph.D. Book costs, credit fees, tuition fees, housing, and insurance covered Fields: mainly in agriculture, medicine, engineering, business administration, and technology Recipients can only be enrolled in 1 of the 24 full English programs, which include 5 undergraduate's, 17 master's and 2 Ph.D.'s, in 17 different universities One direct round-trip economy-class ticket Only for recipients from countries with diplomatic ties with the R.O.C. and certain developing countries designated by the ICDF
	Academia Sinica Taiwan International Graduate Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration: Ph.D. program (max. 3 years) Monthly stipend: NT\$32,000 Recipients can only be enrolled in 1 of the 8 highly specialized interdisciplinary Ph.D. programs run in collaboration with 7 research universities in Taiwan Fields: life science, mathematics, and earth system science
Fellowships (For doctoral candidates or above)	Taiwan Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration: min. 3 months, max. 1 year Monthly stipends: NT\$60,000 for professors, associate professors, research fellows, or associate research fellows; NT\$50,000 for assistant professors, assistant research fellows, or doctoral candidates Fields: social sciences regarding Taiwan, cross Taiwan Strait relations, mainland China, and the Asia Pacific or other aspects of Sinology One direct round-trip economy-class ticket
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	Research Grant for Foreign Scholar in Chinese Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration: min. 3 months, max. 1 year Monthly grants: NT\$ 60,000 for professors, NT\$50,000 for associate professors, and NT\$40,000 for assistant professors or doctoral candidates Field: Chinese studies One direct round-trip economy-class ticket

Note: US\$1 = approximately NT\$30

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Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Fellowships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4 categories: Dissertation Fellowships, for Ph.D. candidates writing their thesis; Postdoctoral Fellowships, for those who have recently received their Ph.D.; Democracy and Human Rights Service Fellowships, for those who want to be involved in democracy and human rights projects in Taiwan; and International Visiting Fellowships, for experienced democracy and human rights advocates. ● Duration: max. 1 year ● Monthly grants: to be determined individually by the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy ● Field: human rights or democracy ● One round-trip airline ticket
Grants from the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Offers differ depending on where the application is filed, by whom (scholar, academic institution or senior scholar) and the project type (conferences, workshops, publications, research projects, doctoral theses or postdoctoral studies). Please refer to the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange website for detailed information. ● Fields: Chinese culture, Sinology, and all aspects of the development of the R.O.C. (from its foundation to the present day)

Abbreviations:

- *ICDF: International Cooperation and Development Fund
- *MOFA: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- *MOE: Ministry of Education
- *MOEA: Ministry of Economic Affairs
- *NSC: National Science Council
- *TAFS: Taiwan Fellowships and Scholarships

MOFA Huayu (Mandarin) Enrichment Scholarship

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) established the MOFA Huayu (Mandarin) Enrichment Scholarship (MOFA HES) in 2010 to enhance bilateral exchanges and friendships with Taiwan's diplomatic allies by encouraging students from these countries to study Mandarin in Taiwan and to deepen their understanding of the local Taiwanese culture.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$25,000.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct route to Taiwan.
- (3) Duration: six to 12 months.

2. Eligibility

Each applicant shall:

- (1) be of age 18 or older; possess a high school diploma or higher; have performed well at his/her most recent academic institution and be of good moral character.
- (2) be neither a Taiwanese national, nor an overseas Taiwanese compatriot.
- (3) be neither currently enrolled in a Mandarin training center nor in a full-time degree program at any university or college in Taiwan.
- (4) not be an exchange student through an academic cooperation agreement between an overseas university/college and an educational institute in Taiwan.
- (5) have never received any financial assistance under this or any other Taiwan scholarship program (offered by MOFA, MOE, MOEA, or NSC).

Recipients cannot accept any other R.O.C. government-sponsored scholarships or subsidies.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit the official website of the Taiwan Scholarships and Huayu Enrichment Scholarships at <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw>
- (2) MOFA website: <http://www.mofa.gov.tw/>
- (3) Contact person: Ms. Trinity Lu
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4. Application period: February 1 to March 31 (subject to change).

MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship

The Ministry of Education (MOE) established the MOE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (MOE HES) to enhance exchanges between the Republic of China (Taiwan) and countries designated by the MOE by encouraging foreign students to study Mandarin in Taiwan and to deepen their understanding of Taiwan's cultural and social developments.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$25,000.
- (2) Duration: two months (summer courses), three months, six months, nine months, or 12 months.

2. Eligibility

Each applicant shall:

- (1) be of age 18 or older; possess a high school diploma or higher; have performed well at his/her most recent academic institution and be of good moral character.
- (2) be neither a Taiwanese national, nor an overseas Taiwanese compatriot.
- (3) be neither currently enrolled in a Mandarin training center nor in a full-time degree program at any university or college in Taiwan.
- (4) have never received any financial assistance under this or any other Taiwan Scholarship program (offered by MOFA, MOE, MOEA, and NSC).
- (5) not be an exchange student through an academic cooperation agreement between an overseas university/college and an educational institute in Taiwan.

Recipients cannot accept any other R.O.C. government-sponsored scholarships or subsidies.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit the Taiwan Scholarships and Huayu Enrichment Scholarships website at <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/>
- (2) MOE website: <http://www.edu.tw/BICER/>
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4. Application period: February 1 to March 31 (subject to change).

MOFA Taiwan Scholarship

The Taiwan Scholarship program is a joint initiative launched by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Ministry of Education (MOE), the Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEA) and the National Science Council (NSC) in 2004. At the Republic of China's centennial in 2011, the Taiwan Scholarship program evolved into the *MOFA Taiwan Scholarship program* and the *MOE Taiwan Scholarship program* in order to cater to students of varying backgrounds.

The *MOFA Taiwan Scholarship* is dedicated to encouraging outstanding students from countries that have diplomatic relations with Taiwan to pursue their bachelor's, master's or doctoral degrees in Taiwan.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$30,000.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct route to Taiwan.
- (3) Duration:
 - a. Undergraduate program: four years maximum. Master's program: two years maximum. Doctoral program: three years maximum.
 - b. Pre-degree Mandarin Language Enrichment Program (LEP): one year maximum.
 - c. Maximum duration for any combination of programs under this scholarship: five years.

2. Eligibility

Each applicant shall:

- (1) possess a high school diploma or higher; have performed well at his/her most recent academic institution and be of good moral character.
- (2) be neither a Taiwanese national, nor an overseas Taiwanese compatriot.
- (3) have never enrolled in any educational institution in Taiwan for the same level of degree as the current application.
- (4) not be an exchange student through an academic cooperation agreement between an overseas university/college and an educational institute in Taiwan.
- (5) have no record for being revoked a MOFA Scholarship program or other government-sponsored scholarship.

Recipients cannot accept any other R.O.C. government-sponsored scholarships or subsidies.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit the Taiwan Scholarships and Huayu Enrichment Scholarships website at <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/>
- (2) MOFA website: <http://www.mofa.gov.tw>
- (3) Contact person: Ms. Trinity Lu
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4. Application period: February 1 to March 31 (subject to change).

MOE Taiwan Scholarship

The Taiwan Scholarship program is a joint initiative launched by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Ministry of Education (MOE), the Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEA) and the National Science Council (NSC) in 2004. At the Republic of China's centennial in 2011, the Taiwan Scholarship program evolved into the *MOFA Taiwan Scholarship program* and the *MOE Taiwan Scholarship program* in order to cater to students of varying backgrounds.

The MOE Taiwan Scholarships continues to encourage outstanding students to pursue academic degrees in Taiwan and to deepen their understanding of Taiwan's academic environment, thereby enhancing exchanges and building friendships between Taiwan and their home nations.

1. Financial Assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$15,000 for undergraduate program students, and NT\$20,000 for postgraduate students.
- (2) Duration:
 - a. Undergraduate program: four years maximum. Master's program: two years maximum. Doctoral program: four years maximum.
 - b. Maximum duration for any combination of programs under this scholarship: five years.

2. Eligibility

Each applicant shall:

- (1) possess a high school diploma or higher; have performed well at his/her most recent academic institution and be of good moral character.
- (2) be neither a Taiwanese national, nor an overseas Taiwanese compatriot.
- (3) have never enrolled in an educational institution in Taiwan for the same level of degree as the current application.
- (4) not be an exchange student through an academic cooperation agreement between an overseas university/college and an educational institute in Taiwan.
- (5) have no record for being revoked a MOE Scholarship program or other government-sponsored scholarship.

Recipients cannot accept any other R.O.C. government-sponsored scholarships or subsidies.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit the Taiwan Scholarships and Huayu Enrichment Scholarships website at <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/>.
- (2) The MOE Taiwan Scholarship Program website: <http://www.edu.tw/BICER/>
- (3) Contact person: Ms. Trinity Lu
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4. Application period: February 1 to March 31 (subject to change).

Academia Sinica's Taiwan International Graduate Program

To keep up with the rapid developments in science and technology, and to promote the internationalization of higher education in Taiwan, Academia Sinica established the Taiwan International Graduate Program (TIGP) in 2002 in collaboration with a consortium of key national research universities. The interdisciplinary Ph.D. programs offered by TIGP are designed to provide an ideal scientific training and research environment for those who wish to conduct advanced research and experience a mature international academic setting.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$32,000.
- (2) Duration: three years maximum.

2. Eligibility

Applicants must possess a bachelor's or master's degree, or the equivalent, from a foreign university or independent college accredited by the R.O.C. Ministry of Education.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit Academia Sinica's Taiwan International Graduate Program website at <http://tigp.sinica.edu.tw/>
- (2) Contact person: Ms. Nancy Yang
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 - Email: nancyy@gate.sinica.edu.tw

- 4. **Application period:** from the announcement date to March 31 of the following year (subject to change).

TaiwanICDF International Higher Education Scholarship Program

To help partner countries cultivate skilled professionals who have an international outlook, the International Cooperation and Development Fund (TaiwanICDF) works with prestigious universities in Taiwan to select students to receive full scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate programs taught in English.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) A monthly stipend of NT\$12,000 for undergraduate students, NT\$15,000 for master's students and NT\$17,000 for doctoral students. Expenses, such as tuition, textbooks, room and board, medical and accident insurance will be taken care of by the host school and the TaiwanICDF throughout the program.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct route to Taiwan.
- (3) Duration:
 - a. Undergraduate program: four years maximum.
 - b. Master's program: two years maximum.
 - c. Doctoral program: three years maximum.

2. Eligibility

Applicants should be nationals of countries with which Taiwan has diplomatic relations or developing countries friendly to Taiwan. For more detailed information, please visit the TaiwanICDF website.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) TaiwanICDF website: <http://www.icdf.org.tw>
- (2) Contact person: Ms. Silvia Lin
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- 4. Application period:** from the announcement date to April 30 (dates may vary among schools, please check the TaiwanICDF website for more information).

Taiwan Fellowship

The Taiwan Fellowship was established by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) to award foreign experts and scholars interested in studies related to Taiwan, cross-strait relations, Asia-Pacific affairs and Chinese studies to conduct advanced research at universities or other academic institutions in Taiwan, thereby promoting international partnerships and mutual understanding.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) Monthly grants are paid at the beginning of every month.
 - a. Professors, associate professors, research fellows, or associate research fellows: NT\$60,000.
 - b. Assistant professors, assistant research fellows, or doctoral candidates: NT\$50,000.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct route to Taiwan (not applicable to those already doing research in Taiwan. The subsidy ceiling will be decided by MOFA in accordance with the relevant regulations).
- (3) The terms of fellowship are three to 12 months.
- (4) Accident insurance for NT\$1 million.

2. Selection as a Fellow

Recipients should be foreign professors, associate professors, assistant professors, doctoral candidates, or same-level research fellows at academic institutions abroad who specialize in research in the social sciences on topics such as Taiwan, cross-strait relations, mainland China, the Asia Pacific, or other aspects of Chinese studies.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit MOFA website: <http://www.mofa.gov.tw>
- (2) Center for Chinese Studies at National Central Library: <http://ccs.ncl.edu.tw/>
- (3) Contact person: Mr. Peter Chang
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4. Application period: July 1 to August 31 (subject to change).

MOE Short Term Research Award

The Ministry of Education (MOE) created this award to encourage individuals from foreign countries (excluding mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau) to undertake short-term research in Taiwan, in the hopes of enhancing their understanding of Taiwanese culture and society, and of promoting exchanges and cooperation between Taiwan and other countries.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) Monthly grant of NT\$25,000.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct flight to Taiwan
- (3) The terms of fellowship are two to six months.

2. Eligibility

Research topics should be related to Taiwan's humanities, social sciences, culture, arts and relevant comparative research (excluding areas relating to science, medicine, engineering, and relevant comparative studies).

Each applicant shall:

- (1) be a doctoral candidate from an overseas university or a postdoctoral research fellow.
- (2) be under 45 years of age.
- (3) be neither a Taiwanese national, nor an overseas Taiwanese compatriot.
- (4) not already be residing, studying (including internships), teaching or doing research in Taiwan.
- (5) not have received this award within the last five years.
- (6) not be a recipient of any other R.O.C. government-sponsored scholarship or subsidy.
- (7) not be an exchange student while receiving this award.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) MOE website: <http://www.edu.tw/BICER/>
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4. Application period: before the end of June (subject to change).

Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies

The Center for Chinese Studies launched the Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies in July 1989, sponsoring foreign scholars from universities overseas to come to Taiwan to conduct research on Chinese or Taiwan studies.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) Monthly grant:
 - a. Professors: NT\$60,000.
 - b. Associate professors: NT\$50,000.
 - c. Assistant professors or doctoral candidates: NT\$40,000.
- (2) One round-trip, economy-class ticket for the most direct route to Taiwan from the recipient's country of residence.
- (3) The terms of fellowship are three to 12 months.

2. Eligibility

Applicants should be foreign professors, associate professors, assistant professors, doctoral candidates, or research fellows from academic institutions abroad, and their research in Taiwan should focus on Sinology.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) For more information, please visit the website of the Center for Chinese Studies at National Central Library, at <http://ccs.ncl.edu.tw/>
- (2) Contact person: Jane Liao
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 - Email: ccsgrant@ncl.edu.tw

4. Application period: before May 31 (subject to change).

Taiwan Foundation for Democracy's Fellowships

Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD) fellowships were created to help strengthen exchanges and cooperation between Taiwan's non-governmental organizations and foreign individuals involved in the development of democracy and human rights by encouraging them to undertake independent studies in Taiwan.

1. Financial assistance

- (1) Grants will be evaluated and approved by the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy.
- (2) One round-trip flight ticket to Taiwan.
- (3) The terms of fellowship are up to 12 months.

2. About the fellowships

Four categories of fellowships are offered: Dissertation Fellowships, for Ph.D. candidates writing their thesis; Postdoctoral Fellowships, for those who have recently received their Ph.D.; Democracy and Human Rights Service Fellowships, for those who want to be involved in democracy and human rights projects in Taiwan; and International Visiting Fellowships, for experienced democracy and human rights advocates.

More details are available on the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy website.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) The official Taiwan Foundation for Democracy website can be found at <http://www.tfd.org.tw/>
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4. Application period: please visit the official website for details.

Grants from the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange

Through this grant program, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange aims to encourage and support foreign academic institutions and scholars in studying Chinese culture, to promote exchanges and cooperation between Taiwanese and foreign academic institutions, and to deepen the international community's understanding of Taiwanese society and culture.

1. Financial assistance

Offers differ depending on where the application is filed, by whom (scholar, academic institution, or senior scholar) and the project type (conferences, workshops, publications, research projects, doctoral theses, or postdoctoral studies). More information is available on the Foundation's website.

2. Eligibility

Please visit the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange website for more details.

3. Miscellaneous

- (1) The official website of the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange can be found at: <http://www.cckf.org.tw>
- (2) Contact person: Maggie Lin
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 - E-mail: maggielin@cckf.org.tw

4. Application period: Please check the foundation's website.