

National Taiwan Ocean University

Directions for International Student Scholarships

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- Article 1 These Directions are established to encourage international students to study at the University and to assist international students in successfully completing their studies.
- Article 2 Eligibility requirements for applying for the International Student Scholarship (hereinafter referred to as “this Scholarship”) are as follows:
- (1) Applicants must not concurrently receive scholarships or grants from government agencies or organizations of the Republic of China or other countries (such as the Taiwan Scholarship, MOFA Scholarship, Taiwan Scholarship Program for Pacific Allies, or TaiwanICDF Scholarship); provided that, in principle, this restriction does not apply to the “Graduate and Pre-Graduate Student Fellowships and Assistantships” of the University.
 - (2) Degree-seeking international students who meet the following conditions:
 1. The application threshold is an overall average score earned after enrollment at the University, in the semester immediately preceding application, of at least 80 for undergraduate students or at least 85 for graduate students.
 2. Third-year PhD students must, in addition to meeting the application threshold, have published at least one international conference paper or international journal article as first author.
 3. Fourth-year PhD students must, in addition to meeting the application threshold, have published at least one international journal article as first author.
 4. The academic publications referred to above must be published in the name of the University with the Advisor included as a co-author. For any given paper, this Scholarship may be applied for and received only once during the period of enrollment; repeated applications based on the same paper are not permitted.
 - (3) Short-term (one year or less) foreign exchange students.
- Article 3 The items and maximum award duration of this Scholarship are as follows:

- (1) The items of this Scholarship are as follows:
 1. Tuition and miscellaneous fee subsidy.
 2. Monthly living allowance (up to NT\$12,000).
- (2) The specific items and amounts awarded under this Scholarship shall be determined by the International Student Scholarship Review Meeting, with reference to the applicant's academic performance, academic output, and the availability of matching funds.
- (3) Each application shall be approved for a duration of one academic year.
- (4) Maximum award duration: during the period of enrollment, the maximum cumulative duration of this Scholarship is 4 academic years for undergraduate students, 2 academic years for master's students, and 4 academic years for PhD students.
- (5) Applicants who have previously received a scholarship from a government agency or organization of the Republic of China or another country, but who were unable to complete their studies within that scholarship's award period, may apply for a monthly living allowance of up to NT\$10,000 (undergraduate students) or for full or half exemption of tuition and miscellaneous fees (master's and PhD students); in either case, the award is limited to one academic year.
- (6) A recipient who, due to personal special circumstances or an emergency, must leave Taiwan during the period of enrollment shall complete the required leave procedures in accordance with the relevant regulations and submit the leave application to the responsible administrative unit, which shall suspend disbursement of the living allowance. Upon returning to Taiwan, the recipient must present their passport to the said unit within the time specified by that unit. Where the period outside Taiwan exceeds 14 days, the living allowance for that month shall be calculated on a daily basis according to the actual entry and exit records, and any allowance already paid for days of absence beyond the 14 days shall be deducted from the following month's scholarship. This provision does not apply to students in dual-degree programs.
- (7) A recipient who has completed all graduation procedures shall cease to receive further disbursements of this Scholarship.

Article 4 Application periods for this Scholarship:

- (1) International students shall submit their application for this Scholarship at the same time as their application for admission to the University.
- (2) International students already enrolled at the University shall submit their application for the following academic year by April 30 of each year (students admitted in the fall semester) or by October 31 of each year (students admitted in the spring semester).

Article 5 Required application documents: applicants shall submit the following documents to the responsible administrative unit for review.

- (1) One copy of the Scholarship application form.
- (2) One original copy of the applicant's complete academic transcript.
- (3) Two letters of recommendation from faculty members.
- (4) Other supporting materials that may assist the review, such as proof of competition awards or proof of published papers.

Article 6 The award and disbursement of this Scholarship shall, in principle, be reviewed by the University's "International Student Scholarship Review Meeting" within one month

after the International Student Admissions Committee Meeting for the relevant academic year is convened. An ad hoc meeting may be convened separately as needed, depending on actual circumstances.

- Article 7 Recipients of this Scholarship must personally sign at the responsible administrative unit within the period specified in that unit's notice, in order to complete the disbursement procedure for that month's scholarship. A recipient who fails to sign in person within the specified period must bring their passport to the responsible administrative unit to complete the signature retroactively, in order to complete the disbursement procedure for that month's living allowance.
- Article 8 The International Student Scholarship Review Meeting shall be composed of the following members: the President, the Dean of International Affairs, the Head of the International Cooperation Division, and the Head of the International Student Affairs Division.
- Article 9 The funding for these Directions shall be sourced from the "Student Public Scholarship Fund" of the University.
- Article 10 Review: in principle, the Review Meeting shall give priority to applicants who are able to provide matching funds when conducting its review. Matching funds include departmental overhead funds, college overhead funds, or funds from faculty research projects.
- Article 11 These Directions shall apply to students admitted from the academic year 2026-2027 onward. Students already enrolled prior to the academic year 2026-2027 shall continue to be governed by the provisions of these Directions as they stood prior to the 2026 amendment, and they shall become subject to the amended provisions from the academic year 2027-2028 onward.
- Article 12 These Directions shall be issued and implemented upon approval by the Administrative Meeting.