

National Chung Cheng University Overseas Research Scholarships (ORS) for Ph.D. Students

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1. Purpose: National Chung Cheng University (hereinafter referred to as the University) hereby enacts this regulation in order to encourage outstanding international students with research potential to study in Ph.D. programs.

2. Awardees, Obligations and Eligibility:

Starting from the academic year of 2019, international students who are admitted as full time Ph.D. students via the Ph.D. selection screening, written examination, application, or direct pursuit of Ph.D. degree, with academic records and research potentials are qualified to apply for this scholarship.

Full-time international Ph.D. students, during the period of being granted this scholarship, should publish their research results in international journals indexed by the WOS or Scopus, and the publications should bear the name of the University.

Students with any one of the following circumstances are not qualified to apply for the scholarship.

- (1) Have full-time job in public or private organization.
- (2) In the academic year of admission, the applicant student opted for suspension of studies, reserving the admission status, or did not finish registration procedures.

3. Number of awardees, Scholarship Amount, and Granting Principle:

The University offers a quota of maximum 30 awardees in each academic year. Applications have to be submitted by the student, initially approved by the department and finally granted by the college. The final list of granted scholarships will be sent to the Office of Research and Development for budget control, and finally executed by the Office of International Affairs.

- (1) LEVEL A Scholarship: NTD40,000 per month

(2) LEVEL B Scholarship: NTD30,000 per month

(3) LEVEL C Scholarship: NTD20,000 per month

An application by a freshman student will only be considered for LEVEL C scholarship, and the scholarship will be awarded on a monthly basis. Starting from the second year, the scholarship for each month will be adjusted based on the student's research results and performance.

The awardees will receive the items below as well:

(1) Partial or total exemption of tuition and credit fees.

(2) Partial or total exemption of miscellaneous fees.

(3) Exemption from on-campus accommodation fees (the amount exempted is by the minimum dormitory fees of each academic year). Students who have withdrawn from the dormitory voluntarily, shall not be compensated by any amount.

(4) Living stipend

4. Budget Source:

This scholarship budget will be generated from two sources, half of the budget from the University Funds and the other half from the department or college of the candidate. A department/college can propose the number of scholarships that can be supported by the department/college. The department/college budget will come from the following two sources:

(1) The project funds of the department/college.

(2) Self-acquired funds such as donations, apart from the department/college funds provided by the university.

The scholarship amounts are subject to the available funds or might even be suspended. If anything is uncovered by this regulation, the other regulations of the university apply.

5. Review Process for the Number of Scholarships

(1) Graduates of a university that has been ranked in the past year in the Top 500 in any world university ranking (such as QS and Times Higher Education rankings) will be given topmost priority for the obtaining the scholarship.

(2) Students of department/college that has provided a higher proportion of the scholarship budget will be given higher priority.

(3) In case of equal priorities from the above rules or if there is remaining budget, students of a department/college with better performance will be granted scholarships.

6. Awardees with the following circumstances, will be disqualified and will not be allowed to apply again.

- (1) The student has opted for suspension of study or was expelled from the University or have taken up a full-time job in a public or private organization.
- (2) The student who were admitted to a Ph.D. program via direct pursuit of Ph.D. degree has chosen to transfer back to the original master degree program.
- (3) The student's scholarship grant was disqualified by the resolution of a formal meeting of the department.
- (4) The student has seriously violated regulations of the University.

If the above circumstances happen, the scholarship will be terminated. In the case of clause 1, the scholarship will be terminated starting from the following semester, while in the cases of clause 2 to clause 4, the scholarship will be terminated starting from the following month.

7. This regulation is approved by the University Funds Management Committee and the Administrative Council Meeting and finally sanctioned and announced by the University President. Amendments to the regulations must be processed similarly.