

Funding Opportunities for Study & Research in Taiwan

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Language Scholarships

Ministry of Education (MOE) Huayu (Mandarin) Enrichment Scholarship (HES)

Huayu Enrichment Scholarships enable recipients to undertake Mandarin courses at language centres in Taiwan.

Financial assistance: Monthly stipend of NT\$ 25,000

Application period: 1st February – 29th March, 2021 (applications to be submitted electronically)

Scholarship duration: 2 months (summer course), 3 months, 6 months or 9 months

In the UK, the HES is administered at the application and selection stage by the British Association for Chinese Studies (BACS). For guidelines, an application form and directions upon applying online, please refer to the BACS website: applications <http://bacsuk.org.uk/funding-2/bacs-taiwan-studentships>

Finding a recognised language centre: <https://english.moe.gov.tw/cp-23-24206-13c8a-1.html>

Questions may be directed to Olivia Saunders at the Education Division

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Degree Scholarships

Ministry of Education (MOE) Taiwan Scholarship

Taiwan Scholarships enable recipients to study undergraduate, master's or doctoral degree programmes, taught in English, Mandarin or a combination of the two languages, at recognised universities in Taiwan.

Financial assistance:

- Monthly stipend of NT\$ 15,000 for undergraduate / NT\$ 20,000 for postgraduate programmes
- Waiver of tuition and certain academic fees up to NTD 40,000 per semester (2 semesters / year)

Application period: 1st February to 29th March, 2021 (applications to be submitted electronically)

Maximum scholarship duration: 4 years for undergraduate; 2 years for master's; 4 years for PhD

For guidelines, application form and other relevant documents and information, please contact Olivia Saunders at the Education Division (olivia.saunders@mofa.gov.tw)

Taiwan Academia Sinica Taiwan International Graduate Programme (TIGP)

The TIGP (deadline 1st February, 2021) is aimed at international graduates wishing to undertake advanced PhD studies in fields related to science and technology at key national research universities in Taiwan: <http://tigp.sinica.edu.tw/>

Research Grants

Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Taiwan Fellowship

Fellowships provide grants enabling high-level academics & scholars to travel to Taiwan to conduct advanced research related to Taiwan, the Asia-Pacific region, cross-strait relations or Chinese studies.

Provides an economy class return flight and a monthly stipend of: NT\$ 50,000 - 60,000

Application period: May 1st to June 30th (applications to be submitted online)

Fellowship duration: Three to twelve months.

For further details and online application, please refer to the Taiwan Fellowship website:

<http://taiwanfellowship.ncl.edu.tw/eng/index.aspx>

Enquiries may be directed to the Taipei Representative Office in the U.K. (gbr@mofa.gov.tw)

Ministry of Education (MOE) Short-Term Research Award

Available to international scholars wishing to undertake research related to humanities, social sciences, arts and culture in Taiwan: <http://tafs.mofa.gov.tw/SchDetailed.aspx?loc=en&ItemId=19>

Application procedure: Applicants should submit requested documents to their research university in Taiwan or MoE-affiliated research institute by the deadline of Sept. 30th the previous year.

Financial assistance: Monthly stipend of NT\$ 25,000 (PhD students) or NT\$ 40,000 (post-doctoral fellows) and round-trip economy class flight.

Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies

International scholars are sponsored by The Centre for Chinese Studies to conduct research in Taiwan in the field of Chinese studies and Taiwan studies: <http://tafs.mofa.gov.tw/SchDetailed.aspx?loc=en&ItemId=25>

Other Awards & Opportunities

Short-Term Mandarin Programme (STMP) for UK Students

STMP combines fifteen hours of weekly small group lessons in Mandarin with regular cultural workshops and excursions. Programmes run between 2 and 4 weeks and involve groups consisting of at least 15 students from mainstream schools. The deadline for registration is three months prior to the planned course start date.

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Youth Mobility Scheme

Available to young people (aged 18-30), the Youth Mobility Scheme visa allows recipients to visit to Taiwan for travel, cultural immersion, study and/or employment without need for specific study or work visas.

Applications should be delivered to the Taipei Representative Office in the U.K.:

https://www.taiwanembassy.org/uk_en/post/32.html

Enquiries may be directed to the Consular Division (consular.gbr@mofa.gov.tw)

Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Fellowships

Available to scholars and advocates in the field of democracy and human rights:

www.tfd.org.tw/opencms/english/fellowships/introduction.html

Chiang Chingkuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange Grants

Available to scholars with an interest in Chinese and Taiwanese culture: www.cckf.org

Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL)

The TOCFL is the only Mandarin language test officially recognised in Taiwan and is a mandatory

requirement for entry to many programmes covered by the Taiwan Scholarship. The test (reading & listening elements) is generally held in central London each year. Please contact Olivia Saunders at the Education Division (olivia.saunders@mofa.gov.tw).

TOCFL website: http://www.sc-top.org.tw/english/eng_index.php

Contacts & Website Links

For further information regarding the MoE Huayu Enrichment Scholarship, MoE Taiwan Scholarship, Taiwan Mandarin Summer Programme or TOCFL, please contact Olivia Saunders, Education Officer at the Education Division, Taipei Representative Office in the UK: olivia.saunders@mofa.gov.tw / 0207 436 5888.

- Education Division, Taipei Representative Office in the U.K website:

https://www.taiwanembassy.org/uk_en/cat/22.html

- Office of Global Mandarin Education website: <https://ogme.edu.tw/Home/editor/150>

- MoE Scholarship Office website: <https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/web/engindex.html>

Details of other awards and funding opportunities can be found on the TAFS website*:

<http://tafs.mofa.gov.tw/Default.aspx?loc=en>

(*not all funding opportunities listed on the website are available to UK nationals; details may be updated at any time).

The ‘Study in Taiwan’ website is a helpful and comprehensive resource:

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

The following article also serves as a practical guide for prospective students and provides an overview of the various opportunities: <https://international.thenewslens.com/article/87270>