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## **MOE Elite Scholarship Regulations**

The MOE Elite Scholarship Program is administered in accordance with the MOE Elite Scholarship Program Action Plan.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Be a registered TMU student

Apply in the appropriate semester for your region:

\*New Southbound countries: Fall semester only

\*Africa: Fall or Spring semester

Currently holds a university lecturer position in their home country

Applicants are **not** eligible for this scholarship if they fall under any of the following circumstances:

1. Individuals holding Overseas Chinese student status or citizenship of the Republic of China (Taiwan).
2. Individuals who have retained student status at a university in Taiwan or are currently enrolled and studying at a university in Taiwan.  
*Exception: This restriction does not apply to current graduating students applying for the next degree level, provided they still meet the eligibility requirement of being university lecturers from Southeast Asian, South Asian or African countries.*
3. Individuals who have previously studied in Taiwan at the same degree level as the one being applied for.
4. Individuals who are admitted as exchange students or dual degree students in Taiwan under academic cooperation agreements.
5. Individuals whose total cumulative scholarship period under this program exceeds three (3) years, across all degree levels.
6. Individuals who simultaneously receive other scholarships or subsidies funded by agencies or institutions of the Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) during their period of study in Taiwan.

### **Scholarship Amount and Duration**

Each recipient will receive a monthly stipend of NTD 25,000.

The maximum funding period is:

- ♦ Up to two (2) years for master's degree students
- ♦ Up to three (3) years for doctoral degree students

The total cumulative subsidy period for each recipient shall not exceed three (3) years, regardless of degree level.

### **Use of Stipend**

The scholarship stipend may be used to cover expenses incurred during study in Taiwan, including:

- ♦ Tuition and miscellaneous fees
- ♦ Insurance
- ♦ Accommodation
- ♦ Living expenses

### **Disbursement Period**

Students will receive the stipend from the month they begin studies.

The stipend will be **terminated** in the month when:

- ♦ The scholarship period expires;
- ♦ The student graduates;
- ♦ The student takes a leave of absence;
- ♦ The student withdraws, or discontinues studies; or
- ♦ The scholarship is suspended or revoked.

### **Cancellation and Suspension of Scholarship**

The scholarship may be revoked or suspended under the circumstances outlined below.

***The final decision regarding the cancellation or suspension of the scholarship lies with the Ministry of Education (MOE).***

#### **1. Revocation of Scholarship**

The scholarship shall be revoked if a recipient, during the period of study:

- ♦ Fails to meet TMU's academic requirements (a semester average grade below 80);
- ♦ Violates the laws of the Republic of China (Taiwan);
- ♦ Receives a demerit or major disciplinary action on their academic record;
- ♦ Takes a leave of absence; or

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- ♦ Is expelled from the University.

In addition, the scholarship shall be revoked if a recipient:

- ♦ Studies abroad as an exchange student or dual degree student; or
- ♦ Leaves Taiwan without prior approval from the Ministry of Education (MOE).

In such cases, any remaining scholarship period may not be retained or extended.

## **2. Suspension of Scholarship**

If a recipient temporarily leaves Taiwan for valid reasons with approved leave and obtains approval from both Taipei Medical University (TMU) and the MOE, the scholarship will not be revoked; however, the stipend shall be suspended during the period of absence from Taiwan.

If the recipient departs Taiwan after the fifteenth (15th) day of a month, the stipend already disbursed for that month is not required to be returned.