## **NDHU Southward Scholarship Regulations**

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- Article 1 These regulations have been formulated in line with Taiwan's New Southward Policy and will be implemented on a trial basis for three years starting in the Academic Year 2017/2018 to expand the recruitment of outstanding international students.
- Article 2 A preliminary review regarding the scholarship shall be carried out by the home college of the applicant and recommended scholarship candidates shall be ranked in order of priority. This list shall be submitted to the International Student Admission and Scholarship Review Panel for final review. The final list shall be approved by the president upon request.
- Article 3 The term "international student" as used in these regulations shall refer to the definitions set forth in the "Rules for International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan" of the Ministry of Education.
- Article 4 Application criteria and eligibility:
  - 1. PhD students who have been newly admitted in accordance with the application criteria for international students with outstanding performance determined upon review of submitted application documents and academic scores.
  - 2. The applicant shall be a national of one of the 18 countries identified in Taiwan's New Southward Policy (Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, Australia, New Zealand) and shall be graduates from the best universities ranked in the top 15% of all colleges and universities in their countries.
  - 3. Applicants shall not simultaneously receive scholarships for international students awarded by this university and ROC government agencies.
- Article 5 Scholarship quota and amounts:
  - 1. The total quota of 35 scholarships shall be allocated by the Office of International Affairs in coordination with the colleges.
  - 2. Scholarship amounts:
    - (1) Stipend: NT\$ 6,000 per month
    - (2) Research incentive: NT\$ 8,000 per month or more.
    - (3) Exemption from tuition and miscellaneous fees: This shall not include accommodation and other expenses (including agency, insurance, and Internet fees)

Article 6

- Scholarship award period and criteria
  - 1. The scholarship shall be awarded for a maximum of three years (six semesters) starting from the year of enrolment.
  - The stipend shall be granted for twelve months per year. The monthly amount of NT\$
    6,000 shall be deposited in a local bank or postal account of the recipient by the Office of International Affairs on a monthly basis in accordance with the approved list of recipients

during the scholarship period.

- 3. The research incentive shall be granted for twelve months per year. This incentive shall be paid by the supervising professor or the home college/department of the supervising professor during the scholarship period, and the record should be sent to Office of International Affairs for reference. The monthly amount of NT\$ 8,000 shall be deposited in a local bank or postal account of the recipient by the supervising professor or the home college/department on a monthly basis in accordance with the approved list of recipients during the scholarship period. The funding of research incentive can comes from the plans of the supervising professor or the home college/department as long as it is paid in accordance with the related regulations.
- 4. Scholarship recipients shall be selected and approved during the admission application process.
- 5. Each college and department shall determine award criteria and duties and obligations of the recipient which shall be submitted to the Office of International Affairs for future reference.
- Article 7 Recipients shall observe the following regulations and obligations during the scholarship period:
  - 1. Completion of the registration procedures within the prescribed time limit.
  - 2. No disciplinary measures at the level of reprimand or above
  - 3. Official enrolment status shall be maintained; Any scholarship recipient who for some reason withdraws from their studies will forfeit their scholarship and any scholarship recipient who has been suspended or expelled will have their scholarship revoked.
  - 4. Students who have been granted this scholarship shall not apply for deferment of enrolment.
  - 5. Award criteria prescribed by the home college/department shall be satisfied.
  - 6. Where students fail to meet the aforementioned criteria, their eligibility shall be revoked and scholarship payments shall be terminated starting from the month following the violation. Exceptions may be made if special circumstances are determined to apply by the review panel.
- Article 8 If it is verified that recipients have provided fabricated or false information or simultaneously receive NDHU International Student Scholarship and the other scholarships which are provided by ROC government agencies, their eligibility shall be revoked and received scholarships shall be repaid.
- Article 9 For matters not specifically covered in these guidelines, relevant regulations of the university or the Ministry of Education shall apply.
- Article 10 These regulations shall come into effect upon approval by the Administrative Council and ratification by the president.

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