

# The Regulations of National Kaohsiung Normal University Scholarship for Foreign Students

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I. National Kaohsiung Normal University (hereafter NKNU) has established these regulations in order to advance the development of internationalization and attract outstanding foreign students to study in NKNU to promote the academic competitiveness of the university.

## II. Eligible Applicant

1. Foreign students admitted under "The Regulations Governing the Admission of Mainland Chinese Students to Study Associate or Higher-level Programs in Taiwan" or "The Regulations of NKNU Admission for Foreign Students" are eligible.
2. Priority will be given to foreign students who have officially registered at NKNU and have not received any other governmental or non-governmental scholarships.

## III. Qualifications for Application

1. Foreign freshmen enrolled in NKNU under "The Regulations Governing the Admission of Mainland Chinese Students to Study Associate or Higher-level Programs in Taiwan" or under "The Regulations of NKNU Admission for Foreign Students" will be given priority to receive the scholarship in their first academic year, subject to the decision of the "Foreign Student Scholarship Review Committee."
2. Starting from the second academic year at NKNU, applicants should have attained a previous academic year average grade of over 70 with a minimum of 8 credits earned for undergraduate students, and over 80 with a minimum of 4 credits earned for both master's and doctoral degree graduate students. Additionally, an Ethics grade of over 80 is required for both undergraduate and graduate students each semester. Furthermore, neither the undergraduate nor graduate student should have received a written reprimand or severe penalty from NKNU due to misconduct (except for freshmen).
3. Graduate applicants (Master's students) who have completed all graduate courses may submit their thesis research plans to apply for the scholarship while writing their thesis. They must also provide recommendation letters and a thesis proposal, including research motivation, purpose, literature review, research design and method, as well as references, etc. Doctoral students who

have fulfilled their graduation credits must attain doctoral candidate qualifications before being eligible to continue receiving scholarships.

4. The scholarship will be terminated if the recipient suspends or interrupts their studies. Foreign students may reapply for the scholarship during the designated application period after re-enrollment.
5. The scholarship award will be terminated if the applicant's qualifications or related information are found to be falsified, and any scholarship funds received must be returned.

#### IV. Application Materials

The applicant is required to submit the following materials: the completed application form, the transcript from the previous academic year at NKNU (except for freshmen), the certificate of enrollment, an affidavit, and recommendation letters.

#### V. The Amount and the Period of the Scholarship

1. The scholarship duration is one academic year each time, requiring applicants to reapply annually. Upon approval, scholarship payments will be made monthly for a total of 12 months.
2. Undergraduate students will receive NTD 5,000 per month. Master's students will receive NTD 7,000 per month, and doctoral students will receive NTD 8,000 per month.
3. The maximum duration for undergraduate students to receive the scholarship is four academic years. Master students are eligible for up to two academic years, while doctoral program students who have not obtained doctoral candidate qualifications can receive the scholarship for a maximum of two academic years. Doctoral students who have obtained doctoral candidate qualifications can also receive the scholarship for a maximum of two academic years.
4. Each college may nominate a certain number of freshmen each year for scholarships for their first academic year, subject to approval by the "Foreign Student Scholarship Review Committee" after a merit review. The allocation of spots for each college's recommendations will be based on the total funding available for the year. The regulations and selection criteria for nominations will be determined by each college.
5. When departments, graduate institutes, or colleges have sufficient funds raised through fundraising efforts to support foreign students' tuition, fees, and credit fees, NKNU will waive credit fees (up to 12 credits) and reduce dormitory fees by half. Each college may recommend up to 3 students for a maximum of 2 years under this tuition and fee waiver program. The allocation of award recipient slots is subject to inter-collegiate transfer and reallocation as deemed necessary. The eligibility criteria will be determined by each college.
6. Students admitted through NKNU's alliance cooperation programs or special programs approved by NKNU will be eligible for tuition and fee waivers. The number of students and the amount of waived tuition and fees will be specified elsewhere.

7. For students in special circumstances who must be reported by their departments and receive official approval, the reduction of tuition and miscellaneous fees shall be based on the standards set by the Ministry of Education's "Family in Hardship."

#### VI. Service Duties for Recipient

Recipients who are awarded scholarships must provide services for their department, institute, college, or the Office of International Affairs.

1. Recipients awarded scholarships according to Item V of Article 1 shall provide 15 hours of service per academic year at the department, institute, college, or Office of International Affairs.
2. Recipients awarded scholarships according to Item V of Article 5 shall provide 30 hours of service per academic year at the department, institute, college, or Office of International Affairs.
3. Recipients awarded scholarships according to Item V of Article 6 shall provide 60 hours of service per academic year at the department, institute, college, or Office of International Affairs.
4. The quality and effort of the service provided by the recipients will be taken into account when evaluating their eligibility for scholarships and tuition/fee waivers for the following school year.

#### VII. Review Process

NKNU has established "The Foreign Student Scholarship Review Committee" to oversee scholarship quotas, student awards, and related affairs. The committee, convened by the Vice President, comprises members including the Dean of Academic Affairs, Dean of Student Affairs, Dean of the Office of International Affairs, Director of the Accounting Department, and Division Chief of Student Affairs from the Office of International Affairs, and Deans of each academic college. Enrolled students must apply through the online application system after the course add/drop period each semester, while freshmen recommended for scholarships will have their applications submitted by their respective colleges. Initial evaluations will be conducted by the Office of International Affairs, followed by double evaluations by the respective departments/institutions. Final decision will be announced after confirmation by the review committee.

#### VIII. Source of Funding

The primary funding for the scholarship comes from University-raised funds, subsidies, and donations.

- IX. The regulations come into effect upon approval by "The Administrative Meeting" and are ratified by the President. Amendments to the regulations follow the same procedure.