Guidelines for International Student Scholarships of National Chiayi University

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Article 1 National Chiayi University (hereafter NCYU or the University) encourages outstanding international postgraduate students enrolled at the University to promote internationalization. In accordance with the “Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan” Article 14, the University promulgates “Guidelines for International Student Scholarships of National Chiayi University” (hereafter the Guidelines).

Article 2 The financial sources of International Student Scholarships at National Chiayi University (hereafter the Scholarships) include subsidies from the Ministry of Education, donations, and the University funds.

Article 3 According to the application of Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan of MOE, the international postgraduate students can apply for the scholarships before the students have the qualifications for admission.

Article 4 Scholarships are divided into:
   a. tuition fee waiver
   b. tuition and credit fee waiver
   c. monthly scholarship: Graduate students will receive NT$8000, doctoral students will receive NT10,000. There are two scholarship streams: the first fall semester scholarship stream begins in August and carries through to the following July; the second spring semester scholarship stream begins in February and carries through to the following January. The
scholarship will be given from the month of registration until the month of graduation.

Article 5

The new international postgraduate students may submit an application for Scholarships to the Office of International Affairs, while they are filling out the application form for admission. The awardees will be decided by the Scholarships Review Committee. Scholarships are provided according to academic performance (on a 4-point GPA scale), and proof of beginner level of Chinese proficiency is required. There are four categories of scholarships:

Category 1 (GPA 2.80–2.99): a waiver of half of the tuition fees.
Category 2 (GPA 3.00–3.19): a waiver of tuition fees.
Category 3 (GPA 3.20–3.39): a waiver of tuition and credit fees.
Category 4 (GPA above 3.40): a waiver of tuition, and credit fees, as well as a monthly scholarship.

Article 6

For continuing Scholarships for international graduate students, in and after the second year of study, the awardees must apply again, and submit the previous semester’s transcript to the Office of International Affairs before July 20th (awardees enrolling in fall semester) or before February 5th (awardees enrolling in spring semester) and achieve the following qualifications:

a. Graduate students should complete the minimum amount of 8 credits in course taking in each semester of the previous school year with a grade of 80.

Doctoral students should complete the minimum amount of 4 credits in course taking in each semester of the previous school year with a grade of 80.

Senior graduate students without course load can submit research papers for review.

b. Acquires a conduct evaluation result of 80 or above and enclose the report and grades over 70% of a mandarin studies activity or higher mandarin abilities proof offered by the Language Center.

c. Recommendation letter.

Students who suspend because of pregnancy could apply for the Scholarship with transcripts of academic years after reinstatement.

Article 7

The international postgraduate students’ scholarship will be transferred directly to a personal post office account by the 5th of every month. The Scholarship for August awarded to the second-year graduate students will be issued in September. For new awardees enrolling in fall and spring semesters, those students will receive both the September and October scholarships in October and February and March scholarships in March respectively.

Article 8

The Scholarships granted to international students are dependent on the financial conditions of the University. In principle, the budget for scholarships will be evenly allocated among the colleges.

Article 9

The Scholarships are offered only to students without any other kinds of
scholarship, for example, special or general scholarships provided by Ministry of Education, doctoral assistantship provided by National Science Council or other full-time job salaries.

Article 10 The awardees have to attend a mandarin class, offered by the Language Center, for at least two semesters, or submit proof of higher mandarin abilities, and, also, participate in any international students’ activities.

Article 11 The Scholarships are awarded on a year-by-year basis and annual applications are necessary. The maximum term for master’s students 2 years, and for doctoral students 4 years. The scholarship will be terminated in the case of:

- a. Failure to uphold the standard of the minimum credit hours or GPA, which are specified in Article 6 above.
- b. Recipient’s suspension, withdrawal, or graduation.
- c. Violating the Article 9 above.
- d. Receiving the request to move out of the dormitory.
- e. Disqualification for admission of Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan (under this circumstance the scholarship awarded must be returned in full amount)

Article 12 In and after the second year of study, the Scholarship candidates are reviewed by the International Student Scholarship Review Committee which make decisions on the final recipients, with approval of the University’s President.

Article 13 Related issues not specified in the Guidelines are subject to the related regulations.

Article 14 The Guidelines shall come into force as passed through the University Administration Council and with approval of the University’s President.

The Guidelines are enacted in Chinese, which shall prevail in case of any discrepancy between the English translation and the Chinese original.