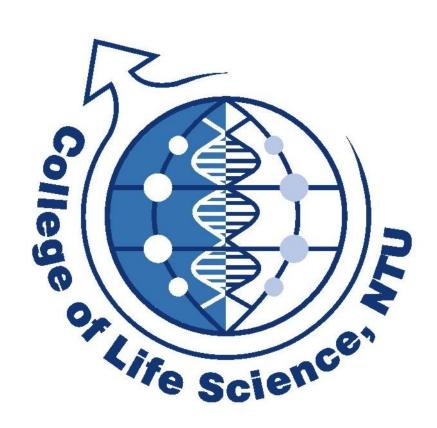
# Guide to College of Life Science, National Taiwan University Exchange Program



College of Life Science
NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

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#### NOTE:

College of Life Science, National Taiwan University accepts exchange students from our partner university based on the student exchange agreement.

If the contents of the agreement differ from this guide, the agreement shall always take precedence over this guide.

## Outline of Exchange Program at College of Life Science,

## **National Taiwan University**

#### Academic Calendar

The First Semester (Fall): start of September to mid-December

The Second Semester (Spring): Mid-February to end of June

Note: Academic year of National Taiwan University starts in August and ends in July.

The exact beginning date of the semester will vary slightly each year.

#### **Eligibility**

An applicant must

- (1) be enrolled, until completion of the exchange program at a non-Taiwanese academic institution with which College of Life Science, National Taiwan University has a student exchange agreement.
- (2) terminate studying at College of Life Science, National Taiwan University, and return to his/her country on the completion of the exchange program.
- (3) have an excellent academic record.
- (4) have a concrete purpose for studying in Taiwan.

## Language Requirement

Most of courses offered at National Taiwan University are given in Chinese. Though we do not set minimum language requirement for exchange students, they are expected to have certain fluency in English (TOEFL iBT 79, or equivalent IELTS score, or higher is desirable). Also, it is preferable to acquire a basic knowledge of Chinese in order to make life in Taiwan smoother and easier.

#### Fees

Based on the student exchange agreement, exchange students will be exempted from all academic fees (examination fee, matriculation fee and tuition fee) at National Taiwan University. But the service fee for Information Networking Infrastructure (TWD 400~600) is required during your registration procedure at NTU.

#### Courses & Lab inforantion

Finding Courses & User Instructions

(1) <u>NTU Course Information</u> (NTU's Course Information Website)

This NTU site allows you to browse NTU classes, fast search for a course of your preference, find classes taught in English, and easily sort through electives

and required classes by department, institute, or program.

- (2) NTU Curriculum Mapping
- (3) Courses by College

This page gives you access to Excel spreadsheets that describe course details and lists by the college department. You can also find an outline of important adding and dropping dates for courses throughout the semester.

- (4) Course Selection Guideline
- (5) The introduction of CLS faculties and their research field

## Chinese Language Study

NTU offers enrolled International Students (Degree and Non-Degree Students) Chinese Courses with credits. The courses include the General Chinese Course, Enhancing Chinese Course and Applied Chinese Course.

- (1) General and Enhancing Chinese Course

  General Chinese is for international students who wish to learn or improve their
  Chinese language skills. Classes are available at different levels, ranging from
  absolute beginners to fluent conversationalists. For those looking for a more
  intense schedule, Enhancing Chinese offers additional hours of Chinese classes
  each week.
- (2) Applied Chinese Course <u>Applied Chinese</u> consists of topic-based courses that can be taken for credits. Topics include day-to-day use, business, classics, idioms, poetry, and even Taiwanese language. Through these practical yet interesting subjects, students get to further experience local culture.

#### Registration

Courses usually start and end within one semester from August to January or from February to July. Exchange students can take courses which start and end within the period of their stay in National Taiwan University.

Each semester, undergraduate program exchange students are required to register AT LEAST 15 credits of lectures, and Graduate program exchange students are required to register AT LEAST 1 class.

Undergraduate program exchange students can take UP TO 25 credits of lectures (Each lecture are usually three-credit) in a semester. Graduate program exchange students can take UP TO 20 credits of lectures (Each lecture are usually one-credit) in a semester. Regardless of the student is undergraduate student or graduate student, those who would like to take other than the classroom lecture (e.g. seminar,

experimental work) must request for permission in advance.

## **Entering Taiwan**

You will need to apply for a valid Visa in your country of residence BEFORE entering Taiwan. There is no specific "Student Visa" for international students studying in Taiwan; recommended Visa choices are listed below. Contact the Taiwan (R.O.C.) diplomatic mission in your country/region for the required documents, latest information and advisement.

Visa Type	Overview	
Visitor Visa	You should apply for a Visitor Visa if you are exchanging for a	
	period of 1 semester.	
Resident	You should apply for a Resident Visa if you are exchanging for a	
Visa	period of 1 academic year.	
Entry Permit	Mainland China (PRC) passport holder:	
	You must apply for an Entry Permit through the assistance of NTU.	
	Hong Kong or Macau passport holder:	
	You must self-apply for an Entry Permit through National	
	Immigration Agency.	

#### Health Examination

For students joining the on-campus exchange program, you must complete a health exam before travelling to Taiwan. You need to print out the NTU Health Exam Form and Form C (download) in hard copy, and complete the health exam by a qualified doctor in your home country. Submit the original hard copies to NTU to complete the registration procedures.

#### **Important**:

- NTU Health Exam Form and Form C must be completed within 3 months prior to the registration date.
- If you have difficulty to do the health exam in your home country, you may choose to do the health exam at NTU Hospital after arriving in Taiwan.

  Moreover, it takes around 5 to 7 work days to receive the health exam report.

#### **Proof of Insurance**

For students who are joining the on-campus exchange program, you are required to purchase your own insurance in your home country before traveling to Taiwan. A valid Taiwanese NHI card (National Health Insurance card) can also be considered as an equivalent insurance coverage.

Please provide proof of insurance <u>in Chinese or English</u> valid for your entire exchange period for the following:

- Accident insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)
- Medical insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)

#### Finance

#### **Estimated Living Expenses**

Items	TWD/Semester (five months)
On/Off-Campus Accommodation	20,000-48,000 *maximum
Textbooks / Stationery	6,500
Campus Internet Access Fee	600
Food	40,000
Public Transportation	5,000
Entertainment / Miscellaneous	15,000
Total Estimated Costs	TWD 115,100 / USD 3,660

We suggest that you bring a sufficient amount of money with you to pay for your airport transportation, dormitory deposit (two months of rent), accommodation fee, campus Internet access fee and other necessities such as bedding and food.

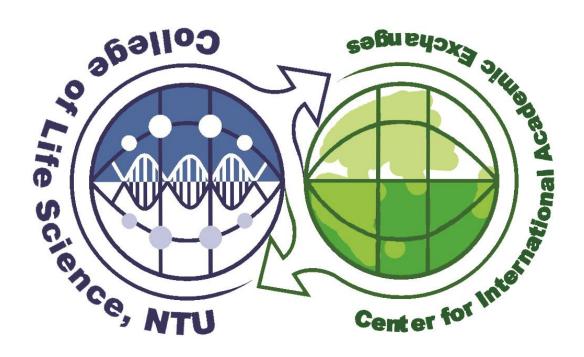
#### Documents to Submit

- 1. Application Form
- 2. Letter of Motivation/Self-advertisement
- 3. Study Plan
- 4. Letter of Reference
- 5. Health Certificate & Proof of Insurance (These are required for your registration procedure at NTU.)
- 6. One Certificate of Enrollment
- 7. One Original Academic Transcript & Class Ranking Verification
- 8. One Passport Copy (Photo, name, and passport number are appeared.)
- One Copy of Official Score of English Proficiency Test
   \*TOEFL-iBT or IELTS are accepted.
- 10. Two Head Photos

Note: Application should be submitted to National Taiwan University through the international office of applicant's home universities. Direct application from students will not be accepted.

## Flowchart of Application Procedures for Program

College-Level Exchange Student Step 1 See this guide. Step 2 Complete application form with the related documents. Step 3 Submit all the required application documents to International Office of home university. Step 4 **DEADLINE OF APPLICATION** Fall Semester: end of March Spring Semester: end of September Step 5 NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION RESULTS Fall Semester: by April Spring Semester: by November



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