Yuan Ze University Regulations of Scholarships for Overseas Chinese Students

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The amended regulations shall be applicable starting from incoming students enrolled in the 1st semester of 2023.

Article 1 Purpose

The Regulations of Scholarships for Overseas Chinese Students (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations) are established to encourage excellent overseas Chinese students to study at the University, facilitate an internationalized academic environment, and assist students in learning and studying diligently.

Article 2 Subjects Eligible to Apply

The term "overseas Chinese students" herein refers to degree students as defined in "Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan" or "Regulations Regarding Hong Kong and Macau Residents Undertaking Studies in Taiwan".

Article 3 Qualifications and Rewards

I. Scholarship

- 1) 100% waiver of tuition, miscellaneous fees, credit fees, computer and internet fees, and sport facility fees.
- 2) 50% waiver of tuition, miscellaneous fees, credit fees, computer and internet fees, and sport facility fees.
- 3) 20% waiver of tuition, miscellaneous fees, credit fees, computer and internet fees, and sport facility fees.
- 4) Stipend.

II. Application Requirements

1) Incoming new students: Individual applicants who have completed the registration process in the first semester may be granted scholarships as set out in one of the first three Items, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.

2) Present students:

1. Undergraduate students who have completed one semester of study and have taken the minimum number of credits per semester required by the University, with a conduct score of 80 or higher and an average academic grade of 65 or

higher in the previous semester, and:

- (1) who ranks in the top 15 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 1, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.
- (2) who ranks in the top 30 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 2, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.
- (3) who ranks in the top 50 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 3, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.
- 2. Students in a Master's program who have completed one semester of study, have taken at least six credits in each semester, have a conduct grade of 80 or higher, had an average academic grade of 75 or higher in the previous semester, and:
 - (1) who ranks in the top 40 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 1, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article;
 - (2) who ranks in the top 60 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 2, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article;
 - (3) who ranks in the top 70 percent of the department or unit of the same level may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 3, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.
- 3. Students in a PhD program who have completed one semester of study, have taken at least six credits in each semester, have a conduct grade of 80 or higher may be awarded scholarships as described in Item 1, or including Item 4 of Paragraph 1 of this Article.
- 4. Students in the Master's and PhD programs who do not meet the six-credit requirement during the dissertation writing period may apply with a recommendation letter from their advisor and a dissertation writing plan.
- 5. Those who do not meet the above criteria may apply on the recommendation of the department.
- 3) Eligibility review of stipend for current PhD students:
 - 1. The basic threshold for qualification review for second-year PhD candidates advancing to third-year PhD is four points for paper publication. The review standard may be increased by colleges based on the nature of the field.
 - 2. The basic threshold for qualification review for third-year PhD candidates advancing to fourth-year PhD must accumulate 8 points for paper publication. The four newly added points should come from high-impact factor journals

where the PhD student is the first author except their advisor. The review standard may be increased by colleges based on the nature of the field.

3. Point Calculation Principles

- (1) Each publication in SCI, SSCI, A&HCI, TSSCI, or THCI Level I and II journals will receive four points.
- (2) Each Scopus journal or conference paper will receive two points.

III. Application Procedure:

- 1) Incoming new students: Scholarship applications must be submitted at the same time as admission applications. All scholarship applications will be reviewed by each department or program, and the Global Affairs Office has the final approval authority.
- 2) Present students: Students are required to fill the application form and submit it to the Global Affairs Office before the end of each semester. Scholarship recipients and scholarship content will be approved by the Global Affairs Office based on academic performance and departmental recommendations.

IV. Maximum Duration of Scholarship

- Scholarship is available for up to eight semesters for undergraduate students, up to four semesters for students in a Master's program and up to eight semesters for students in a PhD program.
- 2) Scholarships will be revoked immediately if a scholarship recipient graduates, suspends, or withdraws from the University, or is disqualified by the University.
- 3) Recipients of stipend are required to reapply after they have transferred to another department.
- Article 4 Scholarship quotas and stipend amounts are subject to flexible adjustment based on the budget for each academic year.
- Article 5 Any student who has obtained a scholarship offered by our government-affiliated agency is not allowed to apply for this scholarship. But if the amount of scholarship he/she has obtained is lower than this scholarship, the student can file an application for obtaining the difference from this scholarship according to article 3-1-1 or other applicable articles herein.
- Article 6 Upon enrollment at the University, recipients are not allowed to study in any other country as exchange or dual/joint degree students. Should such a case occur, the recipient's scholarships will be suspended. Recipients on exchange as part of the degree program are exempt from this rule.
- Article 7 Any student who has been found to apply for this scholarship by using a forged instrument or false facts will be immediately disqualified from receiving this scholarship. All the scholarship paid to him/her previously shall be reimbursed to the University.

- Article 8 Overseas Chinese students enrolled at Yuan Ze are required to abide by the University's regulations. Scholarship qualifications may be revoked at any time if a violation is reported by the department (program, school, college) and approved by the Global Affairs Office.
- Article 9 These Regulations herein will come into effect after approval by the Administrative Meeting and the students enrolled for next semester shall apply. Amendments to the Regulations shall follow the same procedure.

Note: The contents of this agreement were translated from the original Chinese. In the event of any discrepancies between the two versions, the Chinese always takes precedence.