

# Terms of the Program

By accepting a scholarship from the TaiwanICDF, you **must**, for the duration of your period of study in Taiwan :

1. Agree to abide by the laws of the Republic of China (Taiwan).
2. Agree that during your study at your host institute, all matters related to the program will be settled in accordance with the institute's rules and regulations and that your host institute's decision will be final and implemented accordingly.
3. Agree to return to your home country after the completion of the program.
4. Be responsible for all expenses that exceed the amounts and terms stated in the Scope of Scholarship.
5. Agree to repay airfare and living allowances should you decide to drop out of the program without gaining the prior consent of the TaiwanICDF or without providing proof of exceptional circumstances, and you accept that the TaiwanICDF's decision in this matter will be final.
6. Agree that TaiwanICDF has the discretionary right to **suspend my monthly allowance** from one to three months depending on the seriousness of my misconduct, including but not limited to absence from school, sexual harassment, drunk driving, minor demerits and violation of my host institute regulations.
7. Agree that if you take a temporary leave (outside of Taiwan) that exceeds a period of two consecutive months during a semester, you will not receive any monthly allowance for the time spent outside of Taiwan.
8. Agree that the TaiwanICDF has the right to **terminate your scholarship** if you:
  - (1) are found engaging in political activities or any form of employment not compliant with the Employment Service Act or other relevant regulations.
  - (2) are found violating the laws of the Republic of China (Taiwan), or have

- withdrawn from or been expelled by your host institute.
- (3) have not participated in program orientation or registered for your program in time without reasonable cause.
  - (4) are found to be physically unfit to study in Taiwan due to suffering from any chronic illness during your time in Taiwan, or due to suffering from any preexisting condition that you had not previously declared.
  - (5) are found to have given an unsatisfactory academic performance<sup>1</sup>.
  - (6) transfer to another field of study.
  - (7) are found causing reputational damage to Republic of China's (Taiwan) or the TaiwanICDF.
  - (8) are found recurring misconduct.
9. Certify that the information contained in the physical examination form is genuine and agree that you shall not request reimbursement for hospitalization in case of a chronic illness in Taiwan.
  10. Agree to complete the TaiwanICDF online Mandarin courses before departure for Taiwan and embrace Taiwanese culture during your stay in Taiwan.
  11. Agree to summarize your completed thesis manuscript for the SCI, EI, A&HCI, SSCI and TSSCI journals or the Journal of International Cooperation (JIC) (\*not applicable to undergraduate students).
  12. Fully agree that matters not included in these terms will be handled in accordance with provisions related to TaiwanICDF scholarship affairs.
  13. Agree that the TaiwanICDF and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of China

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<sup>1</sup> Academic performance will be considered "unsatisfactory" if you:

- (1) Fail the academic average in any one semester. This means either failing the required standard set by your host institute, or averaging **70** out of 100 or lower for undergraduates or **80** out of 100 or lower for postgraduates (equivalent to the GPA scale conversion of your host institute); in which case, full scholarship will be suspended during the following semester. Should the academic average be achieved during this next semester, the TaiwanICDF will continue the scholarship by request; or
- (2) Fail exactly or more than one-half of all modules that you elect to study across two consecutive semesters; or fail exactly or more than two-thirds of all modules that you elect to study in any one semester. In this case, the full scholarship will be terminated.
- (3) Fail the Master's/Ph.D. Thesis Research or Independent Study component of the program, or related subject; in which case, full scholarship will be suspended during the following semester.

(Taiwan) reserve the right to use my personally identifiable information which will be under protection of the Personal Data Protection Act of Republic of China (Taiwan) for non-profitable purposes.

14. In case that my family is unable to arrive in Taiwan within 48 hours, the official of my embassy or representative office has my consent to authorize medical emergency care on behalf of me.