Guidelines for International Student Scholarships and Financial Aid at the University of Taipei

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Article 1 The University of Taipei (hereinafter referred to as "the University") establishes these Guidelines in accordance with Article 15 of the Ministry of Education's *Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan* and Item 6 of the University's *Regulations on Study for Chinese Language Preparatory Students of the International Foundation Program*, with the aim of promoting internationalization and attracting outstanding international students to study at the University.

Article 2 International students referred to in these Guidelines are those who meet the requirements set forth in Articles 2 and 3 of the Ministry of Education's *Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan*.

Article 3 The actual number of recipients, award amounts, and number of months for which awards are disbursed shall be subject to flexible adjustment by the Review Committee based on the financial status of the various funding sources and the number of international degree students each semester.

Scholarships and financial aid shall be funded by designated budgets allocated by the Office of International Affairs, subsidies from the Ministry of Education and other agencies, and other relevant funding sources.

Article 4 Categories of financial aid and application procedures are as follows:

1. Entrance Financial Aid for New Students:

(1) This financial aid is available to a limited number of newly admitted international students enrolled in the University's doctoral, master's, or bachelor's degree programs, excluding Chinese language preparatory students of the International Foundation Program.
(2) Applications shall be submitted to the Office of International Affairs each semester in accordance with the announced application period and requirements.
(3) Doctoral and master's students may receive up to NT$60,000 per person per semester, while bachelor's students may receive up to NT$50,000 per person per semester.
(4) New students may receive financial aid for up to two semesters after completing registration. Upon completing their first semester of study, students must pass a review of their eligibility under the Enrolled Student Financial Aid category to

qualify for financial aid for the second semester. The Review Committee may adjust the award amount based on actual circumstances.

(5) Disbursement shall be made in two installments, with each installment capped at one-half of the award amount for that semester.

(6) Applications for entrance financial aid for new students shall be reviewed based on criteria such as academic performance in the preceding semester or special achievements.

2. Financial Aid for Enrolled Students:

(1) Financial aid shall be awarded to a number of enrolled international doctoral, master's, and bachelor's students each semester.

(2) Applications shall be submitted to the Office of International Affairs each semester in accordance with the announced application period and requirements.

(3) Doctoral and master's students may receive up to NT$60,000 per person per semester, while bachelor's students may receive up to NT$50,000 per person per semester.

(4) Eligibility: Applicants must be enrolled students of the University in the semester of application (excluding students extending their study period), have a conduct grade of at least 85 points, and meet at least one of the following criteria:

① Have an academic average of at least 85 points in the preceding semester (excluding semesters in which they were on leave of absence). However, students whose class ranking percentile falls between 90% (inclusive) and 100% shall not be eligible.

② Rank in the top 40% of their class in the preceding semester (excluding semesters in which they were on leave of absence).

③ Have concrete achievements in research publications or artistic creations or performances in their respective fields.

④ Have participated in national or international subject-specific or professional competitions.

⑤ In special circumstances, applicants may be recommended jointly by the chair of their department or institute and their academic advisor.

(5) Disbursement shall be made in two installments, with each installment capped at one-half of the award amount for that semester.

Article 5 Recipients of financial aid under Article 4 shall complete the service hours required for the semester, up to a maximum of 120 hours. Recipients who fail to complete the required service hours during the semester shall not be eligible to apply for financial aid in the following semester. Their service performance and attitude shall also be taken into consideration in the review process.

Article 6 A recipient's eligibility for financial aid shall be revoked and payments shall be discontinued under any of the following circumstances:

1. Failure to complete registration, taking a leave of absence or withdrawing from the University during the semester, or being found to have submitted forged or false information.

2. Concurrently receiving other scholarships or financial aid provided by the University or the government of the Republic of China (Taiwan).

Article 7 The maximum period of financial aid eligibility shall be four years (eight semesters) for doctoral students, two years (four semesters) for master's students, and four years (eight semesters) for bachelor's students.

Article 8 Scholarship and financial aid arrangements under separately agreed sister-university cooperation programs shall be handled on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the terms of the respective programs.

Article 9 The Review Committee shall consist of four faculty members appointed by the President from within or outside the University, and one faculty representative from each college. Committee members shall serve a one-year term and may be reappointed. One of the members shall be designated by the President to serve as the Chairperson of the Committee. If the Chairperson is unable to preside over a meeting for any reason, another committee member may be designated to act on their behalf.

Article 10 Scholarships for Chinese Language Preparatory Students of the International Foundation Program:

1. Eligibility: This scholarship is available exclusively to Chinese language preparatory students of the International Foundation Program who have passed the listening and reading sections of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL) during their preparatory period. Students may apply for a scholarship based on the level they have passed. Each level may be awarded only once:

   (1) Basic Level (A2): NT$5,000.
   (2) Intermediate Level (B1): NT$8,000.
   (3) Advanced Level (B2): NT$10,000.

2. Applications shall be submitted each semester in accordance with the announced application period and requirements.

3. The scholarship shall be disbursed in a single installment.

Article 11 Matters not covered by these Guidelines shall be handled in accordance with the relevant regulations of the University or the Ministry of Education.

Article 12 These Guidelines shall take effect upon approval by the International Affairs Meeting and subsequent approval by the President.